Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice

Juvenile Continuity of Care Task Force Minutes

June 5, 2017 1:30PM-4:30PM Colorado Department of Public Safety, 710 Kipling St., Lakewood CO

ATTENDEES:

TASK FORCE MEMBERS

Robert Werthwein, CDHS, Office of Children, Youth and Families

Bill Kilpatrick, Golden Police Department

Angela Brant, Colorado Public Defender

Rebecca Gleason, 18th Judicial, DA's office

Susan Colling, State Court Administrators' Office, Division of Probation Services

Kelly Friesen, Grand County Juvenile Justice Department & S.B. 94, 14th Judicial District (on the phone)

Meg Williams, Division of Criminal Justice

Anders Jacobson, CDHS, Division of Youth Corrections

Shawn Cohn, Denver Juvenile Probation

ABSENT

Dan Makelky, County Human Services

Mike Tessean, Jefferson County Juvenile Assessment Center, S.B. 94 Meg Williams, Division of Criminal Justice

Sheri Danz, Office of Child Representative

Bill Delisio, Colorado Judicial Branch, Family Law Program

STAFF

Richard Stroker/CCJJ consultant Kim English/Division of Criminal Justice Laurence Lucero/Division of Criminal Justice

GUESTS

Shelly Sack, 18th JD, Douglas County Probation Edward Wensuc, DYC/OCYF/CDHS Gretchen Russo, OCYF/CDHS Trevor Williams, Division of Child Welfare/CDHS

Issue/Topic:

Welcome and Introductions

Robert Werthwein welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda. Robert mentioned that the agenda includes the vote by the Task Force on the final recommendations.

Issue/Topic:

Review of Recommendations #2 and #3

Richard Stroker provided a brief recap of the last Task Force meeting in May and explained that the documents included in today's meeting materials have been revised since first sent via email earlier in the week.

Action:

Recommendation #2

Robert Werthwein recapped that this recommendation asks for the Colorado Department of Human Services to promulgate rules to provide guidance to counties around permanency, specifically for those youths who are committed to the Division of Youth Services and considered *legally free*.

The group discussed and agreed on some language revisions to the documents:

- Use of term "Legally Free" instead of "legal permanency" as counties and programs may have different interpretation of the term "legal permanency."
- Change name from Division of Youth Corrections to Division of Youth Services (change of name effective 7/1/17)
- Problem statement to be added
- Reference "Crossover Youth" and "Legally Free"

Recommendation #2 was moved and seconded to approve with all the changes discussed today. The Task Force unanimously approved Recommendation #2 with the amendments discussed today.

Recommendation #3

Some changes to the language were discussed to clarify the intent of the recommendation.

- Add a statement of the problem and clarify that these funds exist and the limitation of their use.
- Add language that encourages the CDHS/OCYH to develop guidance and provide technical assistance.
- New language: "Authorize the utilization of existing marijuana tax revenue distributed to SB91-94 entities to allow these funds to be used to support the development and implementation of local crossover youth plans and services."

Recommendation #3 was moved and seconded to approve with all the changes discussed today. The group approved Recommendation #3 unanimously. The changes discussed today will be incorporated and new revised Recommendation #2 and #3 will be re-submitted to the group for review before the first presentation of all the JCC TF recommendations at the CCJJ meeting on 6/9/17. In the absence of Mr. Werthwein, Ms. Meg William will present the recommendations to CCJJ.

Issue/Topic:	
Next steps	Richard expressed that, with the completion and approval of these recommendations, the Task Force is coming to the conclusion of its work. This is the final meeting and Mr. Stroker thanked the members and guests for their participation in these efforts.
	Robert Werthwein echoed Mr. Stroker and expressed appreciation for the time and commitment of all the participants who contributed to these efforts. Mr. Werthwein also congratulated the group for the effective collaboration and highlighted the importance and impact of these initiatives on the youth in Colorado.
	This is the last meeting of the Juvenile Continuity of Care Task Force.

Issue/Topic:	
	The meeting scheduled on July 10, 2017 is cancelled.
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm

Next Meeting

No scheduled meetings