

Juvenile Justice Task Force
 September 3, 2014 - 9:30 am-12 pm
 JAC Center, Lakewood, CO

Attendees:

Jeff McDonald, Jefferson County JAC
 Regina Huerter, Denver Crime Prevention and Control Commission
 Norene Simpson, Indigent Defense Counsel
 Steve Brittain, La Plata Youth Services (on the phone)
 Susan Colling, State Court Administrators , Probation Services
 Meg Williams, Division of Criminal Justice
 Hal Sargent, CDAC, 1st District Attorney's Office
 Kim Dvorchak, CJDC (on the phone)
 Stan T. Paprocki, Division of Behavioral Health
 Julie Krow, Department of Human Services
 Ann Gail Meinster, 1st Judicial District
 Kelly Friesen, SB94, 14th JD/Grand Co. J.J. Dept
 Sarah Ericson, 18th Judicial District
 Beth McCann, Co. House of Representative
 Jacob Eppler, Attorney at Law (on the phone)
 Michelle Brinegar, 8th Judicial District (on the phone)
 Donia Amick, JJDP Representative

Task Force Members Absent:

Charles Garcia, Community at Large
 Bill Kilpatrick, Golden Police Department

Guests:

Anna Lopez, Division of Criminal Justice
 Jim Gault, At large
 Holly Wilkinson, 13th District Attorney's Office

Staff:

Ken Plotz, Consultant to the JJTF
 Kim English, Division of Criminal Justice
 Laurence Lucero, Division of Criminal Justice

<p>Issue/Topic:</p> <p>Welcome, Introductions/ Review of minutes</p>	<p>Welcome, introductions, review of minutes of August 6, 2014 meeting.</p> <p>Kelly Friesen welcomed the group. Members and guests introduced themselves.</p> <p>The group reviewed the minutes of August 6, 2014. Meg Williams moved for the approval of the minutes of 08/06/14. Stan Paprocki seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.</p>
<p>Issue/Topic:</p> <p>Petty Ticket Bill</p>	<p>Update on legislative process concerning the Petty Ticket Bill, House Representative Mc Cann.</p> <p>The Petty Ticket Option recommendation was voted and approved by the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice on May 9, 2014.</p> <p>Rep. McCann presented the draft of the Petty Ticket Bill to the JJTF members and engaged the group to discuss and provide comments.</p>

	<p>The group discussed the draft and some revisions were suggested to the document. The draft of the bill will be re-submitted to the CCJJ Legislative Subcommittee which reviews the language of bills derived from CCJJ recommendations.</p>
<p>Issue/Topic: Special Work Group</p>	<p>Report of the work of the Special Work Group, Jeff McDonald</p> <p>Jeff McDonald reminded the group that, at the JJTF meeting on August 6, it was decided to ask the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice to allow the JJTF to present at the CCJJ meeting in September on why it should be allowed to remain in existence and work on revising Article 2 of the Children’s code.</p> <p>The request to present at the CCJJ meeting in September was made at the CCJJ meeting on August 8 and approved by the CCJJ members. A special JJTF Work Group convened on Friday, August 29, 2014 and prepared the draft of a presentation.</p> <p>The JJTF members discussed the presentation and suggested revisions. A new draft will be sent to the JJTF members for additional inputs before the powerpoint is presented at the CCJJ meeting on September 12, 2014.</p>
<p>Issue/Topic: Colorado Counties Executive Committee</p>	<p>Report to Task Force of Co-Chairs discussion with Colorado Counties Executive Committee, Kelly Friesen</p> <p>It was reminded that the Age of Detention recommendation was presented at the CCJJ meeting on June 13, 2014 and, that at the JJTF meeting in August, the JJTF group decided to defer the vote at CCJJ until the concept was presented to key stakeholders at CCI and CDHS.</p> <p>Kelly Friesen and Julie Krow presented the concept of the Age of Detention to the Colorado Counties Executive Committee. While there was a general consensus with the idea of restricting detention for younger children, some concerns were expressed by County Directors that this age group population would consequently be placed into out-of-home settings within the County Department of Human Services (foster care or congregate care). Additional data was requested by the Colorado Counties Executive Committee on the number of children who did go to detention in the past years in order to estimate the potential fiscal impact at the county level. Some of the County Directors also expressed the concern that there was no adequate stakeholders’ involvement in these discussions.</p> <p>The JJTF members agreed to ask to defer the vote at CCJJ until key stakeholders are more engaged in strengthening this concept and support the recommendation.</p>

	<p>Jeff McDonald and Kelly Friesen will report these discussions at the CCJJ meeting on September 12.</p> <p>The group decided that another working group with additional stakeholders will be formed in order to pursue the discussions of the Age of Detention recommendation. All stakeholders providing services to children will be invited to engage in the discussions (CCI, CDHS, Behavior Health Services, CDAC etc.) and the following topics will be examined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alternative options to detention and home, - Funding/resources, - Data: number of children of age 10, 11 and 12 served by SB-94 and Child Welfare. - Language of the recommendation: adding that the general intent of the recommendation is to ensure that best efforts are made to place children of this age group in least restrictive settings possible and not placed inappropriately in congregate care (whether residential or child welfare).
<p>Issue/Topic: Diversion Recommendation</p>	<p>Continue work on Diversion recommendation from the work group, Hon. Michelle Brinegar, Sarah Ericson</p> <p>The discussions are postponed to a future date to be determined.</p> <p>It was reminded that CCJJ directed the JJTF to present on this work in September 2014.</p> <p>Jeff McDonald and Kelly Friesen will provide an update at the CCJJ meeting on the work of the Diversion working group.</p>
<p>Issue/Topic: Next meeting</p>	<p>Next meeting will be on October 1, 2014 at 9:30 am at the Juvenile Assessment Center.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am</p>