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Maine Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

MINUTES
May 27, 2009

I. Roll Call:

Present: Paul Vestal, Mark Boger, Ned Chester, Jim Foss, Hannah Kiernan, Charles LaVerdiere, Jim Morse, Barry Stoodley, Patrick Walsh, Margaret Longworth, Patrick Walsh, Denise Giles, Joan McDonald, Richard Brown, Dan Nichols

Absent: Barry Delong, Daniel Despard, Doug Patrick, Jamie Johnson, Phillippe McLoy, Breanne Petrini, Cathy Ashland, Abby McCourt, Dalene Dutton, Carla Fearon, Shelley Reed, Jacinda Goodwin, Nickole DeMerritt, Christine Thibeault, Adam Royer

Staff: Timothy Piekart, Kathryn McGloin

Guests: The Honorable Chief Justice Leigh Saufley, Kim Hopkins, Dennis Lewey, Andy Mishkin, Hester Mishkin, Pender Makin, Sarah Anderson, Vicki Hamlin. Ami Hutchinson, George Shaler, Becky Noreus, Martha Elbaum Williamson, Mike Higgins, Lisa Bals

II. Minutes:

The minutes for the April 2009 meeting were approved. Discussion produced changes which will be corrected.

Motion: To approve the April 2009 Minutes

Moved: Jim Foss/Joan McDonald 2nd

Action: Approved

III Chair Report:

Paul Vestal, JJAG Chair, opened the meeting at 9:00. He made note of the letter from the Coalition for Juvenile Justice thanking us for our membership and telling us what our membership does for juvenile justice. All attendees received a copy.

Paul thanked Patrick Walsh for completing our Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice report.

Paul asked Joan McDonald to speak regarding the April round of RFP and the awards made. Joan reported that 14 proposals were received; 12 in Delinquency Prevention and two in Alternatives to Detention. Many proposals were disqualified due to missing required information. Lisbon Police Department and Trekkers' Inc. were awarded and will do a great job.

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The mission of the Maine Juvenile Justice Advisory Group is to advise and make recommendations to state policy makers and to promote effective system level responses that further the goals of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act

With the recommendation of B. Lamoreau, Director of the Bureau of Purchases, and because we know we can work with sub-grantees in the contracting process, the committee decided to re-review proposals that did not meet the set 85% score standard. Six new reviewers will review and select awardees prior to the June meeting when a motion will be made to the Group.

Motion: To approve awarding Lisbon Police Department \$7800 and Trekkers' \$29517.

Moved: None needed

Action: Approved

Abstentions: none

IV. Presentations:

1. JJAG sub-grantees presented on their programs:
 - a. STAR at 5 Town Communities That Care
 - b. Lions Quest at YouthLinks
 - c. Detention Review Specialist at Spurwink Institute
 - d. Collaborative Problem Solving
 - e. Teen Aspirations and the Restorative Learning Program at The REAL School
 - f. Muskie School Evaluators
 - g. Youth Horizons and Leadership & Resiliency Program at Riverview Foundation
 - h. Wraparound Case Management at The Passamaquoddy Tribe
2. The Honorable Chief Justice Leigh Saufley spoke to the JJAG on the Juvenile Justice Task Force and her thoughts on juvenile justice in Maine. The Charter for the Task Force may be found at <http://www.courts.state.me.us/committees/jjtf.html>

V. Vote on funding to support the Juvenile Justice Task Force

Motion: To approve \$40,000 of Systems Improvement funding to support the Juvenile Justice Task Force.

Moved: Jim Morse/2nd Patrick Walsh

Discussion: JJAG members will be invited to attend the Juvenile Justice Summit.

Action: Approved

Abstentions: none

The next meeting will be held at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy on June 24, 2009.