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Board of Juvenile Justice

Roanoke Detention Center Roanoke, Virginia June 9, 2004

Present: Kim Downing

Aida Pacheco Courtney Penn James Turpin Patricia Puritz

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Vice Chairman Downing.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Turpin, seconded by Mr. Penn, the agenda for the June 9, 2004, meeting was approved. Motion carried.

III. INTRODUCTION

Tim Howard introduced Mr. Dave W. Davis, II, Court Service Unit Director for 23rd Judicial District; Rodney C. Hubbard, Court Service Unit Director for 23-A Court Service Unit; Lynn Myers, Regional Operations Manager; Mike Lazzuri, Regional Operations Manager; Alan Hullette, Director for Roanoke Valley Juvenile Detention Center; and recognized the many probation and parole officers in the area. The new Director for Discovery House, Jeaneen C. Story, was also introduced.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Turpin, seconded by Mr. Penn, the Board approved the Minutes for the April 14, 2004, meeting. Motion carried.

V. **COMMENTS OF PUBLIC** – no comments

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Secure Services Committee

1. Certifications

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Turpin, seconded by Ms. Puritz, to increase the approved capacity of Highlands Juvenile Detention Center from 30 to 31. Motion carried.

B. Non-Secure Services Committee

1. Certifications

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Penn, seconded by Ms. Pacheco, to certify the Apartment Living Program for three years. Motion carried.

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Penn, seconded by Ms. Pacheco, to place Hampton/Newport News Less Secure Detention on a probationary status until the November 10, 2004, meeting of the board with the Certification Unit to perform a re-audit of areas of non-compliance for implementation of corrective action plan and that a copy of the correspondence sent out by the Department be copied to the key members of the locality (City Manager and Chief Judges). Also noted, that the Director of the Hampton/Newport News facility should attend the September Board meeting and address the areas of concern. Motion carried.

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Penn, seconded by Ms. Pacheco, for approval to certify Westhaven Crisis Center for three years. Motion carried.

2. VJCCCA Plans – FY05-FY06

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Penn, seconded by Ms. Pacheco, that the following proposed VJCCCA Plans for the FY05-FY06 biennium be approved. Motion carried.

Alexandria Martinsville/Henry/Patrick

Arlington Mathews

Bedford County/City Montgomery/Floyd Bland Newport News

Campbell Norfolk
Charlottesville, Albemarle Orange
Chesterfield Page
Danville Petersburg
Dinwiddie Poquoson
Emporia, Brunswick, Greensville, Prince George

Sussex

Fairfax County/City Prince William

Falls Church Pulaski
Fauquier Radford
Franklin County Rappahannock

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Frederick, Clarke, Winchester Roanoke City

Giles Russell, Buchanan, Dickenson, Lee,

Norton, Scott, Tazewell, Wise

Goochland Shenandoah Grayson, Carroll, Galax Spotsylvania Greene Stafford

Hampton Tidewater Regional Group Home

Harrisonburg, Rockingham Commission Henrico Warren

King William, Charles City, Waynesboro, Augusta, Staunton King & Queen Westmoreland, Essex, Lancaster, Middlesex, New Kent Northumberland, Richmond County

Lynchburg Wythe

York, Gloucester, James City,

Williamsburg

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Penn, seconded by Ms. Pacheco, that the following proposed VJCCCA Plan for the FY05-FY06 biennium be approved contingent upon receipt of the required certifications, affirmative support letters and resolutions. Motion carried.

Accomack, Northampton Hanover
Alleghany, Covington King George

Amelia Lexington, Buena Vista, Rockbridge

Amherst Loudoun Botetourt Louisa Caroline Madison

Charlotte, Appomattox, Buckingham, Manassas/Manassas Park

Cumberland, Lunenburg, Prince

Edward

Colonial Heights Mecklenburg
Culpeper Nelson
Fluvanna Richmond City
Fredericksburg Roanoke County

Tedericksburg

Halifax Salem

Washington, Bristol, Smyth

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Penn, seconded by Ms. Pacheco, that the following localities be granted provisional approval to continue operating programs previously approved by this Board with the corrected motion that Hopewell be removed. Motion carried.

Pittsylvania Powhatan Surry

3. Other Issues

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Penn, seconded by Ms. Pacheco that the Mecklenburg FY04 Plan revision be accepted as proposed. Motion carried.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. The Standards for Interdepartmental Regulation of Children's Residential Facilities are being revised. Proposed changes will comply with federal regulations; ensure that residents receive services appropriate for their needs; bring the requirements in line with current industry practices; clarify frequently misinterpreted standards; and delete unnecessary requirements. The changes are substantial, and technically the current regulation will be repealed and a new regulation will be issued in its place.

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Turpin, seconded by Mr. Penn to approve issuing the proposed regulations for public comment. Motion carried.

B. FY05/FY06 VJCCCA Allocations & Required Maintenance of Effort

Discussion focused on following up to information distributed at the previous DJJ meeting ensure Board had correct data.

C. FY05/6 Budget Actions

2004 General Assembly Budget actions for the Department of Juvenile Justice were outlined by Steve Pullen. Additional funding for JCC security positions, with focus on the Culpeper facility was received but does not restore the \$6.1M, which was cut originally. Specific language was put in requiring DJJ to develop a report showing what DJJ will do, how many facilities will be operated, at what capacity and if any facilities are closing. That report will be developed at the same time as the Sight and Sound Study, which is ongoing at this particular point. Probation officer funding was also received. DJJ is in the process of filling additional probation officer positions.

Some additional actions that will affect DJJ are two new JDRC judgeships; one I in the Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania, Stafford area and one in Christiansburg, Galax area. There were additional positions for the General District Courts. There were 49 positions that were distributed among all those courts based on workload. A 2.1% competitive salary adjustment for judges, effective November 25, 2004 was approved. For state employees, there was a 3.0% base salary increase, which includes the judges. Money was put in the second year, which is \$26.6m for salary increases for public employees, effective November 25, 2005. The veto session is June 16th.

VIII. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Director Jones commented that the Executive Staff spends a tremendous amount of time maintaining contact with legislative staff on DJJ programs and showing them the facilities and utilization.

Disproportionate Minority Contact Conference was outlined and invitations were offered to all of the board members for June 28-29, 2004, in Northern Virginia. This conference is a joint effort between Maryland and Virginia's Department of Juvenile Justice. There will be a number of DJJ staff planning to attend this conference.

The gang activity within the entire state and the Department of Juvenile Justice was discussed by Director Jones. The Department is involved in addressing these issues and concerns through taskforce interaction, plus Departmental focus.

Our federal funding issue was discussed by Patricia Puritz; particularly focusing on the JABG (Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Program). Ms. Puritz asked the board how to proceed in getting some of this funding back to DJJ. She suggested the board write a letter on behalf of the Commonwealth of Virginia on this issue. Ms. Puritiz also has written a letter to Congressman Wolf in this regard with copies to the Governor and other significant parties, which she will e-mail to the other board members.

Mr. Murray stated that personnel within the Department have recognized the problems with gangs and have progressed significantly with the assistance of Ben Anthony. He further discussed the highly sophisticated communication gang members have with other gang members through drawings, body language, and other symbolic measures.

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Turpin, seconded by Mr. Penn to send a letter from the board members addressing the importance of restoring federal funds to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention programs. Motion carried.

IX. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Penn thanked the board for coming to his area of Virginia and was honored to have them meet at the Roanoke Detention Center facility.

The next Board meeting will be September 8, 2004, at Cedar Lodge in Richmond, Virginia.

X. ADJOURN

On MOTION duly made by Vice Chairman Downing, seconded by Mr. Turpin, to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 p.m. followed by lunch and a tour of the facility. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara A. Jones