

MISSISSIPPI JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES – 4TH QUARTER MEETING and RETREAT – OCTOBER 19, 2018 Golden Nugget Resort and Casino, Biloxi, MS

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Willie Blackmon
Jaqueline Dedeaux
Ta'Shia Gordon
Dr. Alfred Martin
Dwayne Nelson
Rick Smith
Katrina Phillips
Gloria Salters
Dillon Vancor

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Tia Grisham
Donald Brown
Judge Tom Broome
Judge Frank Coleman
Gary Davis
Dr. Lisa Nored
Justice Randy Pierce
Eric Williams
Jim Maccarone
Dr. Angela Robertson
Taylor Banyard
Mary Roberts

DPS STAFF PRESENT:

Lora Hunter
Jacqueline Ledger
Anselm Palmer
Teresa Wash

CALL TO ORDER:

Dr Martin called meeting to order and asked everyone to tell who they admired as an icebreaker to get to know each other.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from August 1, 2018 meeting were read and approved.

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NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Assignments for annual report need to be turned in to Willie Blackmon by November 15. First draft of the annual report needs to be ready by January meeting.

GRANTS:

SAG has discussed offering 2 grants for \$30,000 each for the detention centers and possibly do training on CPI for the detention centers. Jackie Ledger will check on the details for these grants and present back to group at the November 9th planning meeting.

CONFERENCE:

Dates July 31 – August 2. Conference location discussed. Coast has the biggest draw for our attendance. Other locations don't have the access that Golden Nugget has such as not having to walk through the casino, easy parking and the fact that they WANT us here. Our goal for attendance this year is 500 in attendance. General theme – “Unlocking the toolbox that brings about Change”. Sending the tools home with them. Planning meeting is November 9th at 10:00 a.m.

REPORTS:

Dr. Martin thanked everyone for the reports over the past 2 days of the working meetings.

Reports presented at the working meetings included:

MSJDAI by Ta'shia Gordon

Conference Evaluations – Gloria Saulters

Annual Report – Willie Blackmon

Title II Application update – Ledger said this is update year and at this point she does not need any information from the SAG.

COMPLIANCE MONITORING:

Teresa is finding that some of the facilities are not correcting the items that she points out that they need to correct.

Anslem is still having issues with status offenders when they don't have any other place to hold them while they are waiting on placement options.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Ta'shia Gordon was asked to draft a “Vision Statement” for the SAG committee.

Lora Hunter reported on the detention standards and regulations. Regulations are completely drafted. The following persons are designated to review the standards prior to them going to Secretary of State's office: Rick - detention perspective; Toni Kersh – Education; Dwayne Nelson – Mental Health; General Review – Judges Broome and Hudson. Motion was made to approve the recommendations by general counsel. Motion carried.

Lora Hunter presented the basis for a cooperative audit between MDPS and the McArthur Justice Foundation regarding youth offenders on the Mississippi Sex Offender Registry. Lora will present back after audit is completed.

Next SAG Meeting on January 18, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at DPSP.

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Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Katrina Phillips
JJAC Secretary