

**MISSISSIPPI JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SIGN-IN
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January 24, 2014**

NAME

SIGNATURE

Tia Anderson

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Judge Tom Broome

Tom Broome

Judge Frank Coleman

Frank H. Coleman

Mr. Gary Davis

absent

Ms. Jaqueline Dedeaux

Jaqueline Dedeaux

Dr. Alfred Martin

Alfred J. Martin

Dr. Lisa Nored

excused

Justice Randy Pierce

excused

Dr. John Pruett

John Pruett, MD

Mr. Billy Redd

absent

Dr. Ginger Smith

Ginger Smith

Ms. Linda Whittington

excused - Linda Whittington


Mr. Eric Williams

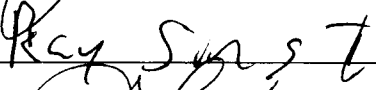
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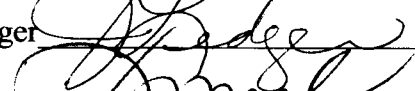
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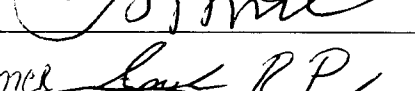
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**MISSISSIPPI JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
PLANNING
SIGN IN SHEET
JANUARY 24, 2014**

Joyce Word 

Ray Sims 

Jacqueline Ledger 

Donald Beard 

Austen Palmer 

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Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee - 1st Quarterly Meeting
January 24, 2014 - 10:00AM
DSPS Office - Jackson, MS
AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Past Minutes

A. November August 8, 2013

IV. Introduction of Guests

when is this going?

??? 3 more mins!

A. Donald Beard - DPSP Compliance Monitoring Issue

V. New Business

A. 2013 Title II Federal Grant Update
- What role will SAG play in it?
- Usage of funds

Martin, Sims

B. Legislative Update

Broome, Others

C. Reclaiming Futures

Martin

- April 7th and 8th New Orleans

D. 2014 Signature Project

All

EXAMPLES:

*- JDAI

- Models for Change
- 12 months of education for detention centers
- Drug Court

*- Conference (Meeting date to be scheduled)

*- Reclaiming Futures

VI. Old Business

A. WEB-Page updates - We need someone to work with webmaster keeping it updated. (Agenda, Minutes, Conference Dates, What's happening in MS, Reform initiatives, Reimbursement forms, etc...)

B. Reimbursement/Vouchers - Make sure to complete

VII. Announcements

- 2014 - Remaining meeting dates

VIII. Adjourn

**MISSISSIPPI JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MINUTES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING
January 24, 2014**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Tia Anderson
Judge Tom Broome
Judge Frank Coleman
Ms. Jaqueline Dedeaux
Dr. Alfred Martin
Dr. John Pruett
Dr. Ginger Smith
Ms. Linda Whittington

EXCUSED MEMBERS

Mr. Gary Davis
Dr. Lisa Nored
Justice Randy Pierce
Mr. Eric Williams

DPS STAFF PRESENT

Ms. Joyce Word
Mr. Ray Sims
Ms. Jacqueline Ledger
Donald Beard

GUEST

Mr. Jim Maccarone (Mr. Maccarone's name has been submitted to the Governor's Office to be appointed to the SAG Committee but the Governor has not made this appointment as of this date).

Hon. John W. Hines, Sr., Mississippi Legislature, Chairman, Youth and Family Affairs

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Dr. Alfred Martin, Chair. Roll was called by secretary. Seven members were present at roll call and a quorum was established. Minutes were approved and second by Dr. Ginger Smith and Dr. John Pruett.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMPLIANCE MONITOR

Aslem Palmer was introduced to the SAG Members by Ray Sims. Mr. Palmer has taken the position of Compliance Monitor with Department of Public Safety Planning.

SPEAKER

Donald Beard addressed SAG Members in reference to no successful suicides in Mississippi's Juvenile Detention Facilities. It was reported the five juvenile detention facilities had suicide attempts (Adams, Forrest, Jackson, Hinds and Leflore). Focus on suicide prevention in juvenile detention facilities will start next week beginning in Adams County with detention staff and administrators.

Dr. Ginger Smith suggested to Mr. Beard that a "Train the Trainer" workshop should be held for personnel since the focus is on prevention. Mr. Maccarone suggested training for personnel should be done on the front end and suggested that the Task Unit be utilized long term.

Dr. Pruett was concerned of financial cost of the hospital bill of the children that attempted suicide and was informed that the county occurs the cost of hospitalization.

Dr. Martin, Chair, asked about the SAG's role in this movement and Mr. Beard stated that support for specific training to be efficient.

New Business

2013 Title II Federal Grant Update

- Ray Sims has been appointed to the CJJ Legislative Sub Committee
- RFP for \$600,000.00 is in the process of being distributed to each state. Mississippi has received letter for DMC Compliance.
- Ray Sims will send Chair, Alfred Martin, a copy of the 3 year plan which includes budget II funds used to support staff and conference
- JABE funding has been exhausted.
- EUDL will be depleted by June 2014. Only \$59,000 left.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Linda Whittington - Fall meeting cancelled due to government shutdown.

February 7, 2014 is scheduled meeting

Senate Bill 2012 (See Attachment)

This bill has to do with monies that are available - need to split - moving to AG's office and DHS will provide better mechanism. This bill excludes Oakley Training School. Program Integrity, DOJ, and Southern Poverty monitors Oakley Training School and Quality Assurance requires Oakley to have external monitors.

RECLAIMING FUTURES (See Attachment)

Judge Broome elaborated on this. Workshop will be held in New Orleans April 7-8, 2014.

Reclaiming Future is on the West Coast. Medicaid will pay only if mental health is involved.

2014 SIGNATURE PROJECT

Conference Planning Committee will meet within one week. Chair will inform members date, place and time of meeting.

Representative Hines discussed the possibility of extending the Task Force. The major hurdle of this project is funding. Need to find funding stream for set of standards and youth court monitoring.. Possible AG's office.

Judge Broome gave the following "Mark your Calendar" dates:

- Drug Court - August 20-22, 2014, Natchez, MS
- Looking to the Future - June 25-27, 2014
- Bar Meeting - June 23-27, 2014
- Indian Children - June

Next SAG meeting scheduled April 4, 2014, 10:00a.m. at the DPSP office

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes prepared by,

Jaqueline H. Dedeaux, SAG Secretary

the Reclaiming Futures model

COORDINATED INDIVIDUALIZED RESPONSE

COMMUNITY DIRECTED ENGAGEMENT

Youth referred to the juvenile justice system for law violations

Youth eligible for treatment or supervision in the community

1 Initial Screening

As soon as possible after being referred to the juvenile justice system, youth should be screened for substance abuse problems using a reputable screening tool.

2 Initial Assessment

Youth with possible substance abuse problems should be assessed using a reputable tool to measure their use of alcohol and other drug problems, individual and family risks, needs, and strengths. The primary purpose of an initial assessment is to measure the severity of alcohol or other drug problems. A second purpose is to shape an informed service plan.

3 Service Coordination

Intervention plans should be designed and coordinated by community teams that are family-driven, span agency boundaries, and draw upon community-based resources. Intervention should include whatever mix of services is appropriate for each youth, perhaps including alcohol and other drug treatment, educational and preventive services, involvement in pro-social activities, and the assistance of "natural helpers" known to the youth and his or her family.

4 Initiation

Service initiation is a critical moment in intervention. Consistent with the treatment standards of the Washington Circle Group (www.washingtoncircle.org), initiation is defined as at least one service contact within 14 days of a full assessment. Initiation can be measured for the entire intervention plan or for each component of the plan. Service initiation should be monitored whether or not the intervention plan includes formal alcohol or other drug treatment.

5 Engagement

Youth and families must be effectively engaged in services. Engagement is defined as three successful service contacts within 30 days of a youth's full assessment. Engagement can be measured for each element of the service plan taken as a whole. Engagement should be monitored whether or not the intervention plan includes formal alcohol or other drug treatment.

6 Transition

Transition describes completion of the service plan and gradual withdrawal of agency-based services. Youth and families must be connected with long-term supports (community resources and "natural helping" relationships) and opportunities in the community based on their unique strengths and interests.

If no substance abuse is indicated, resume traditional juvenile justice process

Process Measures

Of all youth identified with alcohol or other drug problems at screening, how many get full assessments?

Of all youth identified with alcohol or other drug problems at assessment, how many agree to complete an appropriate service plan?

Of all youth who agree to complete an appropriate service plan, how many initiate services as designed?

Of all youth who initiate a service plan but fail to become fully engaged in services?

Of all youth engaged in services, how many completed the required services and demonstrate ongoing engagement in individualized transition supports?

Outcome Measures

Of all youth identified with alcohol or other drug problems at screening who do NOT get full assessments, how many are successful for at least one year?

Of all youth who agree to a service plan but fail to initiate services as designed, how many are successful for at least one year?

Of all youth who initiate a service plan but fail to become fully engaged, how many are successful for at least one year?

Of all youth engaged in services who fail to complete the required services or demonstrate ongoing engagement in individualized transition supports, how many are successful for at least one year?

* Success may be defined in various ways, including the absence of new arrests or new court referrals, no new drug use, reduced drug use, no subsequent referrals for drug or alcohol treatment, or some combination of these measures.

By: Senator(s) Burton

To: Judiciary, Division B

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SENATE BILL NO. 2012

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-21-323, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REVISE THE AUTHORITY OVER MONITORING OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS
3 HOUSING BY RECREATING THE MONITORING UNIT AS A FUNCTION OF THE
4 DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES;
5 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 43-21-323, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 43-21-323. (1) There is established the Juvenile Detention
10 Facilities Monitoring Unit within the Department of * * * Human
11 Services to work in cooperation with the Juvenile Justice Advisory
12 Committee described in Section 45-1-33. The unit shall be
13 responsible for investigating, evaluating and securing the rights
14 of children held in juvenile justice facilities, including
15 detention centers * * * and juvenile justice group homes
16 throughout the state to ensure that the facilities operate in
17 compliance with national best practices and state and federal law.
18 The monitoring unit shall only monitor group homes that serve as a
19 dispositional placement for delinquent youth pursuant to Section



20 41-21-605. Nothing in this section shall be construed as giving
21 the monitoring unit authority to monitor foster care or shelter
22 care placements. All monitors shall be employees of the
23 Department of * * * Human Services. The inspections by the unit
24 shall encompass the following:

25 (a) To review and evaluate (i) all procedures set by
26 detention centers, * * * and juvenile justice group homes and (ii)
27 all records containing information related to the operations of
28 the detention centers * * * and juvenile justice group homes;

29 (b) To review and investigate all complaints filed with
30 the monitoring unit concerning children's treatment in detention
31 centers * * * and group homes;

32 (c) To conduct quarterly monitoring visits of all
33 detention centers * * * and group homes. The monitor shall have
34 access to an entire facility and shall conduct confidential
35 interviews with youth and facility staff;

36 (d) To advise a facility on how to meet the needs of
37 children who require immediate attention;

38 (e) To provide technical assistance and advice to
39 juvenile detention facilities, which will assist the facilities in
40 complying with state and federal law.

41 To carry out the duties in this subsection (1) a monitor may
42 consult with an administrator, employee, child, parent, expert or
43 other individual in the course of monitoring or investigating. In



44 addition, the monitor may review court documents and other
45 confidential records as necessary to fulfill these duties.

46 (2) Additional duties of the monitoring unit are as follows:

47 (a) To make available on a * * * yearly basis to the
48 Governor, Lieutenant Governor and each member of the Legislature
49 and each member of a county board of supervisors, a report that
50 describes:

- 51 (i) The work of the monitoring unit;
- 52 (ii) The results of any review or investigation
53 undertaken by the monitoring unit;
- 54 (iii) Any allegations of abuse or injury of a
55 child; and
- 56 (iv) Any problems concerning the administration of
57 a detention center.

58 The reports described in this subsection shall keep the names
59 of all children, parents and employees confidential.

60 (b) To promote awareness among the public and the
61 children held in detention by providing the following:

- 62 (i) How the monitoring unit may be contacted;
- 63 (ii) The purpose of the monitoring unit; and
- 64 (iii) The services that the monitoring unit
65 provides.

66 (3) The records of a monitor shall be confidential. Any
67 child, staff member, parent or other interested individual may



68 communicate to a monitor in person, by mail, by phone, or any
69 other means. All communications shall be kept confidential and
70 privileged, except that the youth court and the facility shall
71 have access to such records, but the identity of reporters shall
72 remain confidential.

73 **SECTION 2.** Any existing equipment of the Monitoring Unit
74 shall be transferred by the Department of Public Safety to the
75 Department of Human Services.

76 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
77 and after July 1, 2014.