



City of Jacksonville

MINUTES

Of

Jax Journey Oversight Committee

January 26, 2017

Ed Ball Building, Room 851

4:00 p.m.

Committee Meeting Attendees

W.C. Gentry, Chair
Tracy Tousey, Vice-Chair
Ricky Bedoya, Member
James Campbell, Member
Rory Diamond, Member
April Green, Member
Terrence Harvey, Member
Scott Wiley, Member
Lawsikia Hodges, Office of General Counsel
Sam Newby, Council Liaison
Lewis Buzzell, Public Defender
Lee Hutton, State Attorney's Office
Judge Suzanne Bass, Juvenile Delinquency
Michelle Cook, JSO
Debbie Verges, Project Director Jax Journey

(Please see the sign-in sheet for complete list of additional attendees)

Proceedings

4:00 p.m.

Chair Gentry welcomed all attendees.

Minutes

- The November 16th meeting minutes were amended and approved.
- The December 15th meeting minutes were approved.

Officer Elections:

- Nominations were made and approved naming W.C. Gentry for Chairman and Rory Diamond as Vice-Chairman.

Discussion Topic

Report on Crime Data-NLP Logix- Scott Wiley

Explained that he was commissioned with looking at how Jax Journey arrived at

the data for the 10 Zip Codes, and to review additional data from Section 8 and Census Tracts.

NLP Logix – provided a PowerPoint presentation of the Analysis of Crime and Zip Codes from looking at the data from many angles:

- Zip Code
- Radius around Section 8 housing
- Census Tracts
- Per capita addition to raw counts
- Deeper dives into different types of crime (gun-related, murder)

The conclusion is:

- Using the same methodology, the top 10 Zip Codes are unchanged from last year
- Further analysis with different geographic focuses shows similar trends
- Jax Journey Zip Codes cover:
 - 64.1% of total violent crimes
 - 77% of violent crime near section 8 housing
 - 88% of violent crime in top 30 census tracts
- Extensive analysis confirms the identification of these 10 Zip Codes as highest priority areas given limited resources

The committee requested to get additional data: time of day, time of year, repeat locations, how much money is spent outside of the footprint, temporal data for crime areas, and are there pockets of Section 8 with much bigger problems. NLP Logix will report at the February meeting.

Juvenile Justice Update – Rory Diamond

- 1) Scored two proposals for the Evening Reporting Center (ERC). The provider has been identified.
- 2) Subcommittee members have been assigned a contract to dive deeper.
- 3) Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC) – We will continue to explore a more coordinated effort at the JAC.

Summer/Afterschool Pilot Program 2017-18/2018 Summer Reading Camp Chairman Gentry

He presented a three year Early Education Pilot document that states the goals, purpose, and scope of work for review. A second meeting was held with Florida Institute of Education (FIE) and the providers; with input gathered from the four Principles of the schools for the afterschool pilot program. It will be a collaborative approach for both afterschool and summer camps.

New Business

Journey Footprint for 2017 – Chairman Gentry

The footprint captures the summary of the programs that are offered.

(See attached)

Summer Camp is currently for school age youth within the 10 Zip Codes. The recommendation for summer of 2017 is to expand to within one mile of all Section 8 housing throughout Duval County due to the increase in funding from \$350,000 to \$978,400.

Summer Youth Employment is currently for youth ages 16-21 in the Jax Journey footprint and TANF eligible. With the expansion of the program outside city government and with our partners Career Source and AT&T, the recommendation is to expand the program to any Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) eligible youth in Duval County.

Judge Bass wants to make sure that the department of Juvenile Justice is made aware of the information for dissemination.

Chairman Gentry stated that we need businesses that will hire the youth and to get the Chamber engaged. The challenge for the city is how to expand the slots.

Debbie Verges stated that Dawn Lockhart is working on bringing a presentation to the committee at a future meeting that will address these issues.

Public Comment:

John Wyche – would like any opportunity to partner with Journey for the Summer Youth Employment program and invited all to attend the Black Chamber Business Expo.

Journey Footprint was approved with the two recommended revisions.

Jax Journey Summer Reading Camp RFP– Chairman Gentry

The Summer (SAIL) Successful Academic Interactive Learning Camp contract is a performance contract that requires compliance with the scope of work and delivery of all required services in order for the provider to be paid in full. This is to include one hour of literacy activities each day, grade-level instructional packets, staff training, and to participate in a marketing plan for their camp site. The four pilot sites are: Sallye Mathis, Reynolds Lane, Arlington, and Normandy Village Elementary.

The RFP was approved.

DCPS Pilot-Summer/Afterschool Learning RFP – Chairman Gentry

There will be seven to nine camps in addition to the four pilot schools. A separate RFP will go out for the four pilot schools. This includes funding guidelines, service delivery guidelines, and minimum requirement for contractors. Along with the Jacksonville Children’s Commission, FIE staff will also engage in site monitoring to ensure that all requirements are being met. Also, the program will be working with the school district for reading proficiency assessment. A significant part of the program’s success is parent engagement.

Public Comment:

Leon Baxton – expressed excitement for the pilot program and appreciated his voice being heard and thanked and commended the board for making the expectations clear.

The RFP was approved.

Volunteers for Scoring Summer RFP – Debbie Verges

The RFP’s will be broken up in sections for scoring, instead of having to do the entire RFP in order to focus on specific criterias.

General Public Comments:

Ysrael – Jax Youth Works is partnering with psychologist this year to help the youth prepare for employment and suggests looking at their program as a pilot. He complimented the committee and Debbie Verges for the great job being done.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30.

The written minutes for this meeting are only an overview of what was discussed.