



City of Jacksonville

MINUTES

Of

Jax Journey Oversight Committee

March 30, 2017

Ed Ball Building, Room 851

4:00 p.m.

Committee Meeting Attendees

W.C. Gentry, Chair
Tracy Tousey, Vice-Chair
Debbie Verges, Project Director Jax Journey
Dawn Lockhart, Director of Strategic Planning
Dr. Charles Moreland, Mayor Liaison
Judge Suzanne Bass, Juvenile Delinquency
Sandra Stockwell, Office of General Counsel
Rory Diamond, Member
Andrea Sharpe, Member
Lee Hutton, State Attorney Office
Terrence Harvey, Member
Ricardo Bedoya, Member (Called-In)
April Green, Member
Sam Newby, Council Liaison
Scott Wiley, Member
Chief Adam Brown, JSO (Representative)
Mason Davis, DCPS

Proceedings

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Chairperson W.C. Gentry opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. He also introduced the new Jax Journey Oversight Committee member, Andrea Sharpe, along with Kendra Mervin, the new Jax Journey Project Manager. Andrea Sharpe informed the committee that she is the Director of Organizational Development for the Florida Department of Health in Duval County. She oversees certain training, marketing and community relations for the department and has extensive experience in Allied Health and youth development. Chair Gentry acknowledged Chief Adam Brown, who attended to provide the JSO report.

Minutes

Chair Gentry asked for the motion to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2017 meeting. A motion was made and seconded. Chair Gentry called for the vote and the motion passed unanimously. The minutes were approved.

The following handouts were provided to all committee members:

- #1 NLP Logix Program Analysis (PowerPoint printout)
- #2 Action Item: ATOSS Contract Revision Proposal
- #3 ATOSS February 2017 program report

Chairperson's Report

The RFPs went out and an adequate number of submissions were received for the Pilot program. An unexpected low number of applications were received in response to the summer SAIL RFPS. It was determined that the nonprofits had a great deal of interest in responding to the summer SAIL program RFPs, but a second summer SAIL RFP will be reopened and agencies will have an opportunity to bid. The results should come into fruition within approximately six weeks.

Discussion Topics

Summer SAIL RFP and Pilot: Debbie Verges, Jax Journey Project Director

Summer SAIL, JCC Afterschool, and JCC Summer Camp RFPs will be re-released by procurement on March 31, 2017. Agencies who missed the initial deadline to apply will receive a second opportunity to submit applications. Next Thursday, April 6, 2017, the recommendations of board members who scored the Summer SAIL, JCC Afterschool and JCC Summer Camp applications will be presented in the CSPEC meeting. During that meeting, the final awardees and award amounts will be determined.

Fines and Forfeitures: Debbie Verges, Jax Journey Project Director

Sheriff Mike Williams asked that the Fines and Forfeitures grants be administered by Jax Journey and the contract has been signed. Twenty-four applications were received and recommendations have been sent to the Sheriff's Office. Following the Sheriff's review and approval of the recommendations, legislation will be initiated. Five grants up to \$10,000 each will be awarded. Jax Journey is also working on: (1) awarding ten to eleven Innovation grants through Safe & Thriving Commissions in the future and (2) addressing the issue of high insurance Procurement requirements that discourage small agencies from submitting applications.

Old Business

NLP Logix Presentation: Katie Bakewell

Katie Bakewell, Lead Statistician, NLP Logix provided handout #1 for her PowerPoint presentation on the Analysis of Crime and Zip Codes. Katie provided a DJJ Data Acquisition update, as well Jax Journey program reviews.

There are two data sharing agreements that are currently in progress. The first is through NLP Logix, which will supply row-level data similar to the data from JSO that is completely de-identified with geographical time-related analysis. The second

is through the City of Jacksonville, which will provide program analysis and individual program participant matching.

NLP Logix is tracking the units of service per student each month, which will lead to identifying a consistent research dosage closely associated with program performance and success. This year, a baseline will be established to run the analysis. Chair W.C. requested a report in late summer of the teen data.

JSO: Chief Adam Brown

Chief Brown presented recent analysis of victim and suspect ages in certain areas of the city. A noticeable finding was that, on average, ages of victims in those areas were higher than suspects' who allegedly committed the crimes. He pointed out that there was a rise in the number of homeless victims in the 32202 zip code. Chief Brown provided additional data regarding other violent crime demographics during the meeting.

Safe & Thriving Communities Grant Update: Rory Diamond

Member, Rory Diamond reminded the committee that the Safe & Thriving Communities grant is a two-year \$1,000,000.00 grant that the City of Jacksonville received from the U.S. Department of Justice. The remainder of the report was presented by City of Jacksonville Grant Administrator, Damian Cook. Groups have been established to lead the program segments. A team leader meeting will be scheduled over the next two weeks to continue working on the timeline of operations and tasks to meet grant deliverables. The board will continue to receive a monthly report on grant progress.

[New Business](#)

Action Item: ATOSS-contract revision – Debbie Verges

Debbie Verges, Jax Journey Project Director, provided handout #2 for the action item presented for discussion and vote. ATOSS (Alternative to Truancy and Out of School Suspension) Centers continue to experience a significant reduction in the number of student participants. This has led to low contract utilization results. It was recommended that the current contract amount of \$244,931.00 be changed to \$195,945 with revised monthly contract usage agreement percentages effective October 2016 through May 31, 2017. The ATOSS contract would then terminate on May 31, 2017.

There were no questions from the committee.

There was a motion and a second to approve the recommendation to change the ATOSS contract amount and monthly utilization agreements for the 2016-2017 budget year. There were no public comments. Chair W.C. called for the vote and the motion passed unanimously.

Criminal Justice Reinvestment Grant Extension – Katoia Wilkins

Ms. Wilkins, JCC Youth Programs Contract Manager, explained that the Jacksonville Children’s Commission (JCC) asked the State of Florida for an extension on the Criminal Justice Reinvestment grant contract that is scheduled to end April 30, 2017. JCC has been awarded a new contract for the duration of three years; however, there will be unspent funds from the original contract on April 30, 2017. The State has agreed to allow JCC to carry over funds for an additional six months.

General Public Comments:

No public comments made.

Meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

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