

- IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE CORRECTIONS

DISTRICT 6 JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL MEETING

December 13, 2023
Time: 4:15 PM to 6:00 PM

In-Person Location:

1070 Hilina Rd. Conference Room 230, Pocatello, ID 83201

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Members:

Shannon Fox, Chair

Matt Olsen, Bannock Co-JPO

Jared Marchand, Bannock County

Libby Fehringer, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare

Lily Stillwell, JJC 6 Youth Member

Anson Call, Bannock County Magistrate Judge

Tommy Bomsta, JJC 6 Youth Member

Racheal Peace, DHW

Julie Nebeker, Bannock County

Gracie Hardcastle, JJC 6 Youth Member

Trevyn Phelps, Soda Springs SRO

Tara Contreras, Executive Director Region 6 CASA

Comprising a quorum of the District 6 Council.

Members Present: Shannon Fox, Matt Olsen, Libby Fehringer, Lily Stillwell, Anson Call, Tommy Bomsta, Racheal Peace, Gracie Hardcastle, Trevyn Phelps, Tara Contreras

Members Absent: Jared Marchand, Julie Nebeker

Others Present: Connie Flatten, Casa; Stace Gearhart, IDJC; Amanda French, IDJC; Brandy Abegglen, IDJC; Tracie Erickson, Casa; Britney Herrgesell;

Note: The order of the agenda items is subject to change.

Agenda		Meeting Outcomes/Decisions Reached	Who's Responsible	Due Date
1.	Call to Order	Meeting was called to order at	Shannon Fox	
2.	Action Item: Approval of Minutes from 11/13/2023 Meeting	Racheal motioned to approve the November 13 th meeting minutes. Libby seconded the motion. Judge Call abstained from voting due to not being present at the November 13 th meeting. Motion was approved.	All Members	

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3.	District Liaison & Commission Update:	<p>Stace is working to complete the year end reports for the District.</p> <p>Power County is interviewing for a Prosecuting Attorney.</p> <p>Oneida County is contracting with Fuller Law from Preston.</p> <p>The Commission is working on the three key areas of their 3-year plan.</p> <p>Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders, Family Engagement, and Racial and Ethnical Disparities.</p> <p>The meeting went really well. There was recognition to Jason Stone, Darin Burrell, Shawn Harper, and Hannah Burrell during the meeting.</p> <p>There was discussion on the success of the IJJA conference. Shannon also mentioned that IJJA (the Idaho Juvenile Justice Association) will be hosting the 2024 conference in Idaho Falls. This will be a great opportunity for eastern Idaho individuals. Those who are regular IJJA members can receive scholarships to help cover the cost of conference registration and some travel costs. The regular IJJA membership only has a cost of \$35 per year. District 6 of Idaho could use more regular membership and a IJJA Board Member position is currently vacant as well. Those who are interested in regular membership, or becoming a board member, should reach out to Shannon Fox or that IJJA website.</p> <p>The Commission approved the six new members for this council.</p>	Stace Gearhart & Shannon Fox	
4.	Action Item: Council funding requests for upcoming conferences and trainings. Review of council funds.	<p>There were no funding requests this month.</p> <p>If anyone is interested in sending in a funding request that goes along with the 3-year plan, let Shannon know.</p> <p>There are a few conferences that are coming up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foster Care Conference – Idaho Falls - ICADD – Boise – May - Idaho Prevention & Support Conference – May - Strengthening Families Training Institute - March <p>Tommy mentioned that the mental health event that they are looking to host for their school is likely not going to have a cost.</p> <p>Update budgets for the councils are still not available due to the impact of LUMA. The Commission is aware of this challenge and there is work being done to fix this problem. Shannon mentioned that there is tentatively \$2,000 left in the 2020 budget as well as \$4,000 available for the 2021 and 2022 budgets.</p>	All Members	
5.	Action Item: Council recruiting/guest involvement	<p>There were no resumes sent in at this time.</p> <p>There is an update to the Commission By-Laws limiting the amount of council membership to 15 members. The District 6 council still needs representation from Oneida and Franklin counties as well as the Shoshone-Bannock tribes.</p>	All Members	

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6.	Discussion: Review of progress on the previous 3-year council plans and begin the draft for the upcoming new 3-year council plan.	<p>Stace helped to explain what a 3-year plan is and what it means at the Commission and Council Level. The Commission has to create the plans to let the federal funding sources know what the state is working on and to be compliant with the funding regulations. The Councils receive parts of this money through the Commission. The Council plans have to be in line with the major goals of the Commission so that the funding can flow properly to the councils. There are three areas that the Commission is working on for their 3-year plan: Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders, Family Engagement, and Racial and Ethnic Disparities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders (Idaho will maintain compliance with the DSO core requirement) - This has been a goal for the Commission and a priority area for the Councils for many years due to overall state DSO violations that Idaho was facing. The Commission is maintaining this goal. Council members discussed that because there has been worked very hard to regain compliance, it would be beneficial to maintain it in our council plan as a priority area. Judge Call helped to explain what status offenders are to council members and how it is defined within Idaho. - Racial and Ethnic Disparities (Idaho will enhance equality and fairness in juvenile justice practices through collaboration and data-driven strategies to reduce the number of youth in the juvenile justice system, particularly among vulnerable populations) – There are many vulnerable populations in District 6. This includes the Shoshone-Bannock youth, Hispanic youth, youth who's family is in poverty or part of the ALICE population, and crossover youth. - Family Engagement (Idaho will encourage, engage, and create equitable opportunities for youth and families to inform and implement systematic improvements) – A youth's "family" can look different, involve different people, and be unique to each youth. The Commission has a goal to help shift aspects of the system to make it easier for a youth's family to engage. <p>We will have a meeting next month that is just a 3-year plan meeting. Shannon will send out a survey about the goals and objectives. Attached is a current copy of 2021-2023 Action Plan.</p>	All Members	
7.	Discussion: Council Meeting Day/Times	The next meeting will be January 10 th at 4:15 to 6:00pm for the 3-year plan.	All Members	
8.	Additional Items	None	All Members	

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9.	Action Item: Adjournment	Judge Call motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:02pm. Racheal seconded the meeting. Motion unanimously approved.	All Members	

Submitted to District 6 Juvenile Justice Council by,
Brandy Abegglen
Technical Records Specialist

Attachments:

November Meeting Minutes.

Signed by JJC Council Chair – Shannon Fox

Shannon Fox

Signed on 12/26/2023