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MINUTES

Meeting of the Justice Advisory Council

May 10, 2018

8:30 am-10:00 am

**69 W. Washington 22nd Floor Conference Room 2200 A
 Chicago, IL 60602**

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Justice Advisory Council met on May 10, 2018 at 69 W. Washington Conference Room A, in Chicago, Illinois. Justice Advisory Council Chair Justice Burke called the meeting to order at 8:31 am.

JAC Council Board Member Attendance	Present	Absent
Honorable Justice Anne Burke		X
Judge (ret) Rhoda Sweeney	X	
Dia S. Weil	X	
Edith Crigler		X
Lisa S. Stephens	X	
Anna Lusero	X	
Ed. Tivador		X
Justice P. Scott Neville	X	
County Staff Present	Present	Absent
President Toni Preckwinkle	X	
Delrice Adams	X	
Rebecca Janowitz, JAC	X	
Wynetta Scales, JAC	X	
Nicole Seaton	X	
Ali Abid	X	
Kim Davis-Ambrose	X	

Members of the Public: JoAnn Becker (ARC), Horace Washington (STOP), Annie McGowan (Civic Federation), Laurie Cohen (Civic Federation), Douglas Bright (Justice System Restart Initiative), Thomas Sampson (SHARP), Laurence Msall (Civic Federation), Alma Anaya (Comm. Garcia), Victoria Moreno (Comm. Garcia).

- I. Call to Order:** Council Member Lisa Stephens called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.
- II. Remarks:** President Preckwinkle thanks everyone for the progress the JAC Council has made and the visits from the members to Bond Court.
- III. Review of Minutes:** Council Member Lisa Stephens asked fellow Council Members to review the minutes from March 9, 2018 and a motion for approval was moved, seconded and approved.
- IV. Council Discussion:**
- a. Introduction of the New Executive Director for the Justice Advisory Council:**
Delrice Adams started with the JAC four days ago coming from The City of Chicago serving in Public Health. Ms. Adams also served as Program Director for Vision of Restoration focusing on youth engagement. The JAC has a new Grants Coordinator, Nicole Seaton, who formerly served as Director of Government Grants and Contracts at UCAN.
 - b. RFP Update:** Twenty one submitted for Restorative Justice, twenty six submitted for Recidivism Reduction, and forty eight submitted for Violence Prevention. The evaluation committees are in the reading stage. The evaluation committee consists of Cook County employees and Commissioners of the Board. The approval process starts at the beginning of the fiscal year and all grants start at the same time in coordination with the county fiscal year.
 - c. MacArthur Safety & Justice Challenge Update:** Ali Abid (Program Coordinator) stated that the court reminder system started in March.
 - d. Career Launch:** The Justice Advisory Council has three agencies, Brighton Park Neighborhood Council, Westside Health Authority and Vision of Restoration for young adults from the age of 18-24 years old. The programs are a referred sector specific training. The application process is easy and is accessible from any smart phone or tablet. The program has 150 slots in three locations and a stipend totaling six hundred dollars over a six week span. The program starts July 9th.
- V. Visit to Habilitative services:** Rebecca Janowitz (Special Assistant of Legal Affairs) and Lisa Stephens (Council Member) visited this new grantee. Staff provided an introduction to the agency's programming.
- VI. New Business:** The County is conducting a Courtroom Utilization Study. Cook County has a total of 330 court rooms and has experienced a substantial decline in case filings.

VII. Public Comment: Horace Washington (STOP) mentioned that the jail population is down which is good.

VIII. Adjournment: Lisa Stephen (Council Member) adjourned the meeting at 9:21a.m.