



JUVENILE CORRECTIONS GRANT COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 17, 2019

Location: Wisconsin Department of Corrections
3099 East Washington Ave
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & WELCOME

Secretary Kevin A. Carr, Department of Corrections

Secretary Carr opened the meeting and called it to order.

ATTENDANCE/ROLL CALL

Secretary Kevin Carr, Department of Corrections

Roll call was conducted by Secretary Carr. As this meeting was scheduled as a telephone conference, there were no members present in person. The following members were present by telephone conference:

Secretary Kevin A. Carr, Department of Corrections;
Secretary Emilie Amundson, Department of Children & Families;
Representative Mark Born, Wisconsin State Assembly;
Representative David Crowley, Wisconsin State Assembly;
Ms. Sharlen Moore, Co-founder, Urban Underground;
Senator Lena Taylor, Wisconsin State Senate; and
Senator Van Wanggaard, Wisconsin State Senate.

The following members were not present:

Representative Joe Sanfelippo, Wisconsin State Assembly; and
Representative Michael Schraa, Wisconsin State Assembly.

REVIEW / APPROVE MINUTES

Secretary Kevin Carr, Department of Corrections

Handout: Draft meeting minutes from June 17, 2019

Secretary Carr turned the committee's attention to the draft meeting minutes from the prior meeting.

MOTION by Ms. Moore:

Move to accept meeting minutes from June 17, 2019.

Seconded by Representative Crowley.

Motion passed without dissent.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES RELATED TO ACT 185

Katie Bender-Olson, Legislative Council

Sarah Wynn, Legislative Fiscal Bureau

Ms. Bender-Olson provided an update regarding Act 185 legislation (“trailer bill”) and amendments. The trailer bills are AB 188 and SB 168. The trailer bill provides an extension of the closure of Lincoln Hills/Copper Lake schools by 6 months and extends the grant committee deadline to provide report to the Committee on Joint Finance by 3 months. The Assembly bill also included amendments that would allow DOC rules to provide less restrictive security options in county-run Secure Residential Care Centers for Children and Youth (SRCCCYs) than in state-run Type 1 facilities; would require implementation of programming defined as “trauma-informed”; adjusted the definition of a SRCCCY; and would require DOC to provide a variance from administrative rules if the grant committee determined cost savings could be realized without compromising programming and to accommodate future new practices. AB 188 received an executive session on June 13, 2019. SB 168 was expected to be reviewed by the Senate committee in executive session on June 19, 2019.

Ms. Wynn provided a fiscal update related to Act 185. The Joint Committee on Finance (JFC) left Act 185 intact, including the deadlines for the closure of Lincoln Hills/Copper Lake Schools and for the grant committee to deliver their statewide report to the committee on July 1, 2019. JFC reallocated all bonding from the state to counties. This means where bonding was split \$40 million to counties to build SRCCCYs, \$25 million to DOC to build Type 1 facility and \$15M for the building addition at Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center (MJTC) the committee determined counties now have bonding authority up to \$80 million to build SRCCCYs.

The committee discussed details related to these updates including that JFC left enumeration of Type 1 facilities intact and that the budget bill has not yet passed the full Legislature. More action on these issues is expected in the coming weeks.

DISCUSSION OF FUTURE MEETINGS

All members, Juvenile Corrections Grant Committee

The committee discussed whether to meet on July 1 and continue every other Monday and how to handle uncertainty related to the deadline to provide a statewide plan for grants to JFC. Senator Darling and Senator Wanggaard confirmed their belief that the trailer bill will be heard by the Senate next week and they anticipate it will pass.

The committee determined:

- Committee staff will send out an email to all committee members following expected Senate action on SB 168 next week.
 - If the trailer bill does not pass the Legislature by Friday, June 28, 2019, then the committee should expect to meet in an extended session on July 1, 2019. The committee will review any applications submitted at that time and will draft a statewide plan for delivery to JFC by July 1, 2019 as required under current law.
 - At this meeting, the committee will determine whether to engage in future meetings and what agenda items may be.

- If the trailer bill does pass the Legislature by Friday, June 28, 2019, then the committee will not meet on July 1. Staff will compile any applications submitted and prepare initial review for committee at the next meeting.
 - The committee would plan to meet in person or via telephone on July 22 or July 29 and biweekly after that to continue reviewing applications and drafting the statewide plan in advance of the October 1, 2019 deadline.

MOTION by Representative Crowley:

Move to accept the upcoming meeting schedule and action plan as discussed.

Seconded by Ms. Moore.

Motion passed without dissent.

PRESENTATION REGARDING GRANT REVIEWING PROCESS OPTIONS

Wendy Henderson, Administrator, Division of Safety and Permanence

Handouts: Considerations for a Grant Rubric; Grant Rubric Example

Ms. Henderson presented an overview of how grant applications could be scored based on the selection criteria noted in the grant announcement. She facilitated discussion regarding the relative importance (scoring value) for each of the selection criteria and how the requirements might be weighted in comparison to the Wisconsin model. The committee did not reach a final conclusion regarding weight of each criteria but confirmed they were generally supportive of the example weights. Senator Darling praised the example process for transparency.

The committee directed the staff to provide two versions of the rubric example for the next meeting; one version will be simplified for scoring if a statewide plan is required on July 1, 2019, and one version is more similar to the example provided in this meeting.

NEXT STEPS AND ADJOURN

Secretary Kevin A. Carr, Department of Corrections

Secretary Carr confirmed staff will communicate with committee members next week once the trailer bill has been addressed by the Legislature and staff will continue to work on updating the rubric examples.

MOTION by Senator Taylor:

Move to adjourn.

Seconded by Senator Darling.

Motion passed without dissent.