The meeting of the Robeson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council was held in-person at the Robeson County DSS, Lumberton NC. Due to the absence of the Chair and the Vice-chair, the meeting was called to order by Dawn Gavasci, Membership Chair, at on or about 1:04 PM. The invocation was given by Chief Mike McNeill. Mrs. Gavasci established that a quorum was present. Twenty-eight (28) joined the meeting, fourteen (14) of those being voting members. This was a program meeting. The following were present for the meeting: (\* denotes a voting member). The current Council membership requires the presence of twelve (12) council members to constitute a quorum.

| Name                        | Title                                            | Member Type                                        | IN Attendance |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| *Wixie Stephens             |                                                  | County Commissioner  Does not have a Designee slot | Yes           |
| Braswell, Daniel            | ADA                                              | Designee for District Attorney, Matthew Scott      | Yes           |
| *Chavis, Wendy              | Director                                         | Parks and Recreation or Designee                   | No            |
| *Johnston, Tate             |                                                  | Rep. United Way/Other Non-Profit                   | No            |
| *Ghaffar, Bobbie            | Owner Native<br>Angels                           | County Commissioner Appointee<br>(Roger Oxendine)  | No            |
| *Gause, Winona              |                                                  | County Commissioner Appointee                      | Yes           |
| *Gavasci, Dawn              | CPS Program<br>Manager                           | DSS Director <mark>or Designee</mark>              | Yes           |
| *Hammonds,<br>Patricia      | Director Work<br>Force                           | Business Community                                 | No            |
| *Hickman, Kevin             | Captain/Special<br>Victims Unit                  | Sheriff Designee                                   | Yes           |
| * Jones, <mark>Randy</mark> | Chief Court C.                                   | Chief Court Counselor                              | No            |
| *Kinlaw, Carla              | Director                                         | Robeson Finance Office                             | Yes           |
| *Lattie, Fran               | NCDPS/Training<br>Officer                        | County Commissioner Appointee                      | No            |
| *Locklear, Herman           | Career & Tech. ED. Director                      | School Superintendent or Designee                  | No            |
| *Malloy, Suzanne            | Asst. Branch<br>Manager Cape<br>Fear Farm Credit | Commissioner Appointee (Lance<br>Herndon)          | No            |
| *McNeil, Mike               | Chief                                            | Chief of Police                                    | Yes           |

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| McIntyre, Angelia    | Chief Judge                                                                     | Chief District Judge or Designee        | No  |
| *Locklear, Dwayne    |                                                                                 | County Com. A. (Judy Sampson)           | Yes |
| *Oxendine, Vee       | Youth Pastor                                                                    | Member of Faith Community               | Yes |
| *Branch, Linda       |                                                                                 | County Com. Appointee (Edge)            | Yes |
| *Rowell, Elizabeth   | Nurse Supervisor                                                                | County Commissioner Appointee           | No  |
| *Sellers, William    |                                                                                 | Director, AMH/DD/SA, OR DESIGNEE        | Yes |
| *Suzanne Jackson     | Director                                                                        | Local Health Director                   | Yes |
| *Thompson, Angus     | Retired Public Def.                                                             | Attorney                                | Yes |
| *Locklear, Mary      |                                                                                 | Substance Abuse Professional            | No  |
| *Hope Brayboy        | Member of the public representing the interest of families of at-risk juveniles |                                         | No  |
| Others Present       | Affiliation                                                                     | Program                                 |     |
| Kelly Cribb          | Central Area Consultant                                                         | NCDPS                                   | Yes |
| Deese, Rogena        | Coordinator                                                                     | Robeson JCPC, Admin. Budget             | Yes |
| Zaide Lesane         | JCPC funded                                                                     | KMCDF & ASA                             | Yes |
| Tom Norton           | JCPC funded                                                                     | KMCDF & ASA                             | Yes |
| Stephanie Andrade    | JCPC funded                                                                     | Robeson House                           | Yes |
| Stacey Canady        | JCPC funded                                                                     | Robeson Restitution                     | No  |
| Dr. Danny<br>Stedman | JCPC funded                                                                     | Redsprings afterschool program (CIS     | Yes |
| Dr. Johnny Hunt      | JCPC funded                                                                     | Redsprings afterschool program<br>(CIS) | Yes |
| Maggie Gibson        | JCPC                                                                            | Redsprings (CIS)                        | Yes |
| Tim Heath            | JCPC funded                                                                     | Redsprings afterschool program (CIS)    | Yes |
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| Crystal Morrison | Eastpointe, SOC                              | <u>cmorrison@eastpointe.net</u><br>(910.290.1201) | No  |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Katelin Oxendine | JCPC Funded                                  | Expo Gro                                          | Yes |
| Orlando Ford     | Court Counselor                              | NCDPS                                             | Yes |
| Jordan Hendren   | JCPC funded                                  | NC-YVPC                                           | Yes |
| Amber Thorndyke  | School Justice<br>Partnership<br>Coordinator | NC-YVPC<br>hailey.culbreth@ncyvpc.org             | Yes |
| Priscilla Hines  | JCPC funded                                  | Maxton Pals/Coordinator                           | No  |
| Michael Hines    | JCPC Funded                                  | Maxton Pals/Athletic Director                     | No  |

Approval of the minutes for the August 1, 2023 and September 5, 2023 minutes: Mrs. Gavasci, turned the Council's attention to the minutes of the aforementioned meetings. Angus Thompson gave a motion to accept the minutes as written, Winona Gause gave the second. The question was called. At this point Kelly Cribb stated that the September 5, 2023 should reflect that she delivered gun locks to the Lumberton Police Department as well as the Fairmont police Department. Also, the minutes should reflect the correct spelling of the word SPEP as it was reflected wrong in the minutes as SPEC. Mr. Thompson motion was amended to reflect these revisions. The vote was taken and passed unanimously.

This was a program meeting: Monthly JCPC Reports: Reports were provided to the council via email prior to the meeting.

**Expo Gro:** Kaitlin Oxendine asked if there were any questions regarding the report that was sent, there were no questions.

<u>CIS, Afternoon Warriors:</u> Dr. Steadman reported their CIS program is the oldest in the county. The program provides both an atmosphere of learning and fun, they try to serve the whole child. At present the program is serving eleven 5<sup>th</sup> graders, eleven 6<sup>th</sup> graders, sixteen 7<sup>th</sup> graders and two eight graders. Mrs. Gibson shared that they need trusted adults for volunteers. They are trying to foster healthy relationships, helping youth to map out their future. They hope to

ensure the youth are workforce ready and are aware of dangerous relationships. The program

sponsored a parents day focusing on communication and a trip to the Airbourne Museums.

<u>Robeson House</u>: Ms. Stephanie Andrade, Director, shared that the program has served five children this quarter. They are revisiting the programs policy statements in an effort to more

effectively serve their youth as they address behaviors in a constructive manner.

They are currently partnering with the following entities:

• Partnering with Eastpointe regarding life skills

• Vonte Leach will come to speak

They have secured the service of a barber to receive free hair cuts

• They are partnering with Colors of Live regarding civic programs

<u>Teen Court</u>: Jordan Hendren\_shared that Kaylyn Hardee is no longer with the program, she has accepted another position. There has been no interaction of service, all is good. They have

served 47 youth this year.

**Palmer Prevention, Inc.**: Zaide Lesane shared that that Keeping my Child Drug Free is serving ten youth and that Adolescent Substance Abuse is serving seven. He shared a Flier regarding the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Red Ribbon Luncheon that will take place on October 25, 2023 at noon. This will be at the Southeastern Regional Agriculture Center/ Garmer's Market (1027 US- 74, Lumberton,

NC).

Other announcements included:

1. November 23, 2023 "We are Family" Thanksgiving Meal

2. December 16, 2023 "Miracle on Capuano Street", 11 AM – toy give away, 7 PM cookies

and cocoa

3. February 11, 2024 "Drug and Alcohol-free super bowl party

For more information call 910-522-0421

Maxton PALs: No, Report

Executive Committee: Wendy Chavis, Chair, No Report

Membership Committee: Dawn Gavasci, Chair: Mrs. Gavasci, no report.

By-Laws Committee: Angus Thompson, Chair, No Report

Monitoring Committee: Winona Gause, Chair, No Report

<u>Funding Committee</u>: <u>Fran Lattie, Chair, No Report</u>

**Public Relations Committee**: Vee Oxendine, Chair, no report.

<u>Administrative Budget:</u> Rogena Deese, JCPC Coordinator shared: The budget for 2023-2024 is \$15,500 of that budget \$3,483 has been expended. She reminded the group that she continues to need folks to sign up for the fair booth. She extended appreciation to Fran Latte, Zaide Lesane and Orlando Ford for their manning of the fair booth on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

<u>Old Business:</u> Budget revision for Palmer Drug that was discussed at the September 5, 2023 JCPC meeting. Dewayne Locklear gave a motion to approve the revision presented by Tommy Norton, that will align the program budget with actual funding sources. Angus Thompson gave the second. The question was called there being none, the vote was taken and passed unanimously.

<u>New Business</u>: Daniel Braswell, ADA and designee for the District Attorney, Matthew Scott, shared that in future meetings he will report on juvenile activity from the perspective of the District Attorney's office.

**Chief Court Counselor Report**: None

**Area Consultant Report**: Mrs. Kelly Cribb shared the following:

- NCJSA Fall Conference "Ease on Down the Road" is October 4th 6th at the Embassy Suites by Hilton, Greensboro NC (Airport Exit).
- SPEC scores will be distributed shortly and the programs will report to the council about these matters
- That REI (Racial Equity Inclusion) training is coming up November 8 9, 2023.

**Community Announcements: None** 

#### Closing,

There being no further business, Mrs. Gavasci received a motion from Angus Thompson to adjourn the meeting. Carla Kinlaw gave the second. The vote was taken and passed unanimously. Mrs. Gavasci adjourned the meeting at on or about 1:56 PM. The next meeting is November 7,2023.

Respectfully Submitted: Rogena Deese, Robeson County, JCPC Coordinator.