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Criminal Justice Services Board

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Members Present

Ms. Adrienne Bennett, for
Ms. Karen Brown
Mr. Andy Block
Mr. John Boneta
Sheriff Vanessa Crawford
The Hon. Michael Doucette,
Chairman
Colonel Steve Flaherty
Mr. David Johnson
Mr. Edward M. Macon
Judge Mary Malveaux
Delegate Jackson Miller
Sheriff Tony Roper
Ms. Cookie Scott
Mr. Gilbert Smith
Mr. Robert Soles
Mr. Richard Vorhis
Chief James Williams

Members Absent

Chief Jeff Brown
Senator Charles Carrico, Sr.
Judge Sarah Deneke
Sen. Thomas Garrett, Jr.
The Hon. Michelle Mosby
Delegate Chris Peace
Deputy Sheriff Kevin Pittman
Colonel Bobby Russell
Ms. Debbie Smith
Chief Scott Williams
Chief Kelvin Wright
Ms. Stephanie Wright

DCJS Staff Present

Kenny Adcock
Shelia Anderson
Amia Barrows
Kassandra Bullock
John Colligan
Shannon Dion
Fran Ecker

DCJS Staff Present (Cont'd)

Tom Fitzpatrick
Teresa Gooch
Paula Harpster
Ed Holmes
Laureen Hyman
Meg Long
John Mahoney
Laurel Marks
Joe Marshall
Rebecca McNeese
Melissa O'Neill
Ken Rose
Donna Shifflet
Heather Smolka
Albert Stokes
Snapper Tam
Janice Waddy

Others Present

Ginger Gutting

I. Call to Order

Chairman Mike Doucette called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m., welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their commitment to the Criminal Justice Services Board (CJSB).

Chairman Doucette reminded guests to please sign the attendance sheet for the purpose of the minutes and asked the Board members to state their name when making a motion or seconding, to speak clearly for the purpose of the minutes and to check that their microphone was turned on at their seating area. He further reminded staff/persons speaking from the floor to step up to the podium and speak into the microphone for the purpose of the minutes.

Chairman Doucette then asked Ms. Laureen Hyman to take the roll. Ms. Hyman stated there was a quorum with 16 members present, including one General Assembly member.

II. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Chairman Doucette then called for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2016, meeting. Mr. David Johnson made the motion to accept the minutes, and Sheriff Crawford seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes unanimously passed.

III. Director's Report

Director Fran Ecker provided an update:

- DCJS has spent a lot of staff time recently on grants: preparing guidelines to issue to potential applicants, reviewing the applications submitted, developing recommendations and presenting them to the Board's Grants Committee.
- The Committee Chairman, Chief Scott Williams, members of the Grants Committee as well as staff were thanked for the time and effort dedicated to grant review. More grants will be reviewed later this summer and in the fall. The second set of solicitations will go out in June and July and be reviewed by the Grants Committee and Board in August and September.
- DCJS has been notified that Virginia's federal FY'16 allocation of VOCA funds will be \$57.8 million, which is approximately 10 percent more than our current, federal FY'15, award.
- Violent Crime: Back to Basics conference was held in Roanoke June 1-2, 2016. There were over 250 law enforcement officers, military personnel and prosecutors, and focused on outlaw motorcycle gangs, terrorism trends, subversive groups and highway interdiction. Provided in partnership with the State Police Fusion Center, the OAG, DJJ and DOC.
- DCJS recently published the "Missing Person Family Resource Guide" on the website. The guide was produced pursuant to a recommendation from the Crime Commission, which conducted a study on Missing Persons/Search and Rescue and published a report in 2014. DCJS collaborated with the Crime Commission's Missing Persons Resource workgroup to develop the guide, which is intended to assist families of missing persons by providing an overview of actions to take when a loved one goes missing.
- The School and Campus Safety Training Forum is scheduled for August 1-3 at the Hampton Roads Convention Center in Hampton. This year's forum will cover a wide range of topics of interest to administrators, SROs, and security officers. A tentative agenda is on our website, and as always, Board members are welcome at agency events.

IV. Committee Reports

Grants Committee

Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)

- 25 continuation grants and 1 new grant were presented to the committee for approval totaling \$2,213,262 in federal funds and local match.
- Ms. Cookie Scott made the motion to approve the 26 Byrne grants recommended by the grants committee. The motion was seconded by Chief Jim Williams and unanimously passed.

Community Corrections and Pretrial Services Programs (CCCA)]

- 37 continuation grants were presented to the committee for approval totaling \$24,537,844 in general funds. This is the first year of a two year grant approval.
- Ms. Scott made the motion to approve the 37 Community Corrections and Pretrial Services grants recommended by the grant committee, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Macon. *Recusals: Sheriff Crawford for Petersburg, Chief Jim Williams for Staunton, Mr. Doucette for Lynchburg.* The motion unanimously passed.

Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA)

- 27 Continuation grants were presented to the committee for approval totaling \$3,539,123. This amount includes federal VOCA funds, general funds and local match. This will be the first year of VOCA funding for most of the CASA programs, and the first year of the two year grant approval.
- Ms. Scott made the motion to approve the 27 CASA grants recommended by the grant committee, and the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mosby. *Recusals: Chief James Williams for CASA for Children, Mr. Doucette for CASA of Central Virginia.* The motion unanimously passed.

PAPIS – Pre and Post Incarceration Services

- Nine continuations grants were presented to the committee for approval totaling \$2,247,546 in general funds. This is the first year of a two year grant approval.
- Ms. Scott made the motion to approve the 9 PAPIS grants recommended by the grant committee, and the motion was seconded by Andy Block. The motion unanimously passed.

School Resource and Security Officer Grant Program (SRO)

- Eight new SRO applications are recommended for funding totaling \$399,765 including local match funds. There are 44 SRO/SSO continuation grants recommended for funding in the amount of \$2,197,415 including local match funds. One continuation program is recommended for denial, Pulaski County. The FY16 continuation grant to Pulaski was never accepted by the county and the committee felt it was unfair to other applicants to set aside funds for a 4th year of funding when they had not accepted the current year grant. There were many new strong requests for funding and this allowed the committee to fund two new grant requests.
- Ms. Scott made the motion to approve the 52 SRO/SSO grants recommended by the grant committee, and was seconded by Colonel Flaherty. *Recusals: Mr. Doucette for the Lynchburg City Police Department.* The motion unanimously passed.

Sexual Assault Grant Program (SAGP)

- DCJS consolidated VOCA funded sexual assault and domestic violence programs. The Domestic Violence programs were previously funded by a VOCA grant DCJS made to the Dept. of Social Services. This year the funding has been retained by DCJS and combined with existing DCJS Domestic Violence program funding to streamline the application process for grantees.

- 22 new applications and 36 continuation applications are being recommended for funding, for a total of \$21,518,403 in federal VOCA funds and state general funds.
- Ms. Scott made the motion to approve the 58 Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence grants recommended by the grant committee and was seconded by Ms. Mosby. *Recusals: Andy Block for the 6th CSU Family Violence Prevention, Sheriff Crawford for the James House, Chief Jim Williams for the New Directions Center, Mr. Doucette for the YWCA Domestic Violence grant.* The motion unanimously passed.

Victim Witness Grant Program

- 112 Victim Witness program applications are being recommended for funding including five new programs that will provide services in currently un-served areas. The total amount recommended is \$17,815,346 in federal VOCA funds and state general and special funds. This is the first year of a two year approval for these grants.
- Ms. Scott made the motion to approve 112 Victim Witness grants as recommended by the grant committee and was seconded by Sheriff Crawford. *Recusals: Ms. Scott for DOC, Ms. Bennett for the Virginia Parole Board, Sheriff Roper for Clarke County, Sheriff Crawford, for Petersburg, Chief Jim Williams for the City of Staunton, Mr. Vorhis for the Attorney General, Department of Corrections and Virginia Parole Board, Mr. Doucette for the City of Richmond Commonwealth Attorney's Office, Ms. Mosby for the City of Richmond.* The motion unanimously passed.

Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Prevention (ACCJP)

- The Grants Subcommittee of the ACJJP met on May 24, 2016. The subcommittee reviewed 17 new applications for JJDP Title II funding and are recommending that nine of these programs funded.
- Mr. Johnson made the motion that the Board approve the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Prevention Grants Subcommittee to provide Title II funding for nine grants for a total Federal award of \$503,481.00. The motion was seconded by Colonel Flaherty. *Recusals: Andy Block for Fairfax County Juvenile CSU, New River Valley Detention Home and County of Pulaski CSU, Mr. Doucette for the City of Lynchburg.* The motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Ecker pointed out that the Board approved 321 grants totaling more than \$74 million dollars in state and federal funds, and thanked them for their dedication and hard work.

VI. Old Business

There was no old business brought before the Board for discussion at this meeting.

VII. New Business

There was no new business brought before the Board for discussion at this meeting.

VIII. Next Meeting

Chairman Doucette thanked Board members and guests for attending the meeting and stated that the next meeting was scheduled for September 15, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. in House Room D of the General Assembly building.

IX. Adjournment

Colonel Flaherty made the motion to adjourn the meeting, was seconded by Sheriff Crawford and was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Approved:

Mr. Michael Doucette, Chairman