



Youth Justice Oversight Committee

Diversion Work Group

November 13, 2024

1:00 pm

251 N. Illinois Street, Indianapolis

Meeting Minutes

1. Call Meeting to Order

Members in attendance: Megan Horton, Tracy Fitz, Mark Sattler., Kay Knorr, Shannon O'Toole, Trish Hanes, and Kia Wright

Guests: Mark Fairchild and Payton Bowling, CISC

Staff: Diane Mains

2. Minutes from the May 29, 2024, July 24, 2024, and September 25, 2024 meetings were approved.

3. Tasks

- Indiana Youth Diversion Program Directory – database in a spreadsheet to populate the directory; discussed categories and information to include in database that are searchable; this project; remove other option; important to allow multiple items to be checked to provide an accurate picture
 - add target populations for gun violence, domestic battery;
 - add program types for mentoring, gun violence; conflict resolution; youth and family engagement; cannot have age broken down in the target population at this time
 - add government entity to the program administration list
 - WG wants Judge Kenworthy to send out request for info, sent by staff; use YJOC email address to send and collect information; Tracy to draft letter this week
 - Goal: to have a directory available at the start of 2025
 - Collaborative partner – provide direction for completing this section
 - Diversion Data
 - Data WG has asked for our help with identifying data points around diversion that should be collected statewide. The statute requires demographic information to be collected (age, race, gender, and ethnicity)
- Work Group suggestions for additional data collection:
- The point of diversion, for example, pre- vs post-arrest
 - Did they come back to the system? Was the juvenile re-referred for services or arrested while in a program; the time frame was debated without resolution and left for the Data WG to determine.

4. Other Business: The members discussed the Work Group's future work and suggested expanding the statutory definition of diversion and reviewing programs and models in other states to generate ideas for Indiana.

5. Meeting: January 29, 2025, at 1:00 pm, 251 N. Illinois Street, 8th floor, Indianapolis

6. Adjourn Meeting