
3. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

- Meeting called to order by Chairman Commedore at 1:04 PM
- Reading of previous meeting minutes
- HIV/AIDS prison testing update
 - Testing completed within 60 days prior to release
 - The Department of Corrections spends over 20 million on AIDS care
 - Most states test upon release
 - Pilot programs for HIV/AIDS testing are in the following counties
 - Broward
 - Dade
 - Palm Beach
 - Gadsden
- Adjournment at 1:35 PM

4. Action Items

<i>Action</i>	<i>Assigned to</i>	<i>Due Date</i>	<i>Status</i>
Sealing and Expunging of Juvenile Records research request follow-up	Ms. Fredrica Doctor	10/7/08	In Progress
Legislative Update	Ms. Barbara Cohen - Pippin	10/7/08	In Progress
Blue Print Commission recommendations research request follow-up	Deputy Secretary Roderick Love / Ms. Fredrica Doctor	10/7/08	In Progress
Subcommittee Draft Discussion	Dr. Donna Elam	9/18/08	In Progress

5. Next Meeting

<i>Target Date:</i>	10/8/08	<i>Time:</i>	10 AM – 11 AM	<i>Location:</i>	Tallahassee - Teleconference
<i>Objectives:</i>	Subcommittee Report				



Foster Care and Family Issues Teleconference

Date of Meeting: 9/10/08

Minutes Prepared By: Fredrica Doctor

1. Purpose of Meeting

- Subcommittee's goal discussion

2. Attendance at Meeting

<i>Name</i>	<i>Agency</i>
Ms. Lillian Lima - Chair	Department of Children and Families
Mr. Christopher Norwood – Council's chair	
Senator Frederica Wilson	Florida Senate
Ms. Janet Sullivan	University of South Florida , Anchin Center
Mr. Charles Calaman	Office of Senator Wilson

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- Chairman Lima called meeting to order at 12:05 PM
- Chairman Lima asked that each member / attendee to review previous meeting minutes; asked Fredrica to resubmit meeting minutes to everyone to ensure that they received it...Fredrica conveyed that she did submit the meeting minutes along with the agenda and draft attachments within the meeting invitation that was submitted the morning of the meeting
- Chairman Lima reiterated the subcommittee goals / focal areas of the report
 - Fatherhood initiatives
 - Kinship / Relative care support services
 - Foster care support services for youth aging out of foster care
- Chairman Lima opened up discussion about submitted subcommittee report
 - In addition, she reconfirmed with staff that the final submission date for the report is October 19, 2008.
 - Will submit an updated draft with new data as it relates to the number of youth aging out of foster care to the subcommittee
 - Old Business – the council would be adding the issue of judicial barriers under fatherhood initiatives; however, Chairman Lima included a subparagraph within the report as it related to judicial rights and responsibilities as oppose to judicial barriers
 - Recommendations
 - Change the name from “judicial barriers” to “judicial rights and responsibilities”...follow-up with Levi Williams with regards to his perception / approach in addressing this issue.
 - Chairman Norwood asked Dr. Elam and Ms. Sullivan to review the draft to see if there is anything that needs to be added with regards to research

4. Action Items

<i>Action</i>	<i>Assigned to</i>	<i>Due Date</i>	<i>Status</i>
Final Subcommittee Draft	Subcommittee	10/19/08	In Progress
Annual Report Final Draft	Dr. Elam and staff	11/19/08	In Progress
Second Subcommittee Draft	Ms. Lillian Lima		Complete

5. Next Meeting

<i>Target Date:</i>	10/9/08	<i>Time:</i>	12 PM – 1PM	<i>Location:</i>	Teleconference - Tallahassee
<i>Objectives:</i>	Subcommittee Report				

3. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

- Chairman Regnier called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM
- Chairman Regnier reiterated that there seems to be a correlation between health conditions (mental health, substance abuse, poor nutrition etc...) and violence (domestic abuse particularly among women, etc...). In addition, would like for the subcommittee to address this vicious cycle and to identify ways that they can interrupt this cycle through proper health care, nutrition education (early learning through secondary), and health care access.
 - Mr. Schmidt recommended that a point of contact be established within communities that display the aforementioned conditions in allowing them to coordinate with community health centers / medical homes in providing counseling about health care and nutrition.
 - How does one proceed with this approach – introduce a pilot program (somewhat similar to MediPass) to communities who may need this service, apply for a grant to implement this program, and demonstrate effective outcomes...focus on one of the less stigmatized aspects may promote more participation from the community
 - Chairman Regnier recommended developing a program that focuses on teaching about health care as it relates to nutrition, abuse, health conditions, medical services, etc... from kindergarten through high school years.
 - Ms. Sullivan recommended that schools as well as the medical world organize seminars / workshops whereas educators would be able to reinforce health care within their curriculum.
 - A lack of funding may prohibit such programs to be enforced. This would require legislative as well as community support.
 - Identify model programs that provide prenatal care for women who do not have proper health insurance...Dr. Turner mentioned that federally qualified health centers do provide indigent primary care; if this is not to the avail of expecting mothers than the next form of treatment would be provided by emergency care.
 - How can we better deliver the message of prevention?
 - Requires additional funding
 - Need more services that address substance abuse programs; especially within the family structure (AHCA funds some substance abuse programs for DJJ) If families are willing to pay with private dollars; there are more services made available in pursuit of addressing this issue
 - Promote services for mental and health care (particularly for children). Dr. Turner mentioned that DJJ does offer Children Mental Services which provide specialty services / treatments that address chronic health conditions. Awareness is the key in learning about this process. Mr. Schmidt reiterated that if a child applies for Kid Care and is eligible for CMS they are automated referred to DCF in order to complete CMS

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- application.
 - In addition, based on preliminary studies many eligible Medicaid applicants fail to complete their application due to the complexity of the understanding the application process, unawareness of other alternatives if one is denied access to Medicaid, and due to being filtered throughout a fragmented system which has their own requirement and guidelines.
- Chairman Regnier identifies the subcommittee's goals that will be reiterated in the report
 - Access to health care
 - Access to education (kindergarten through high school years)
 - Mental health services access – further research is required
 - Correlation of health conditions (substance abuse) with violence (domestic abuse)
- Chairman Regnier asked subcommittee to review previous minutes and made a motion to accept and approve the minutes; Mr. Norwood seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- Mr. Calaman recommended that this subcommittee address the impact of HIV/AIDS with African American male inmates (entering and exiting out of the criminal justice system and address the disparities with contracting the disease, testing procedures (cost of test vs. cost of care), behaviors, etc...
 - According CDC (Center for Disease Control) – www.cdc.gov/HIV (based in Atlanta, Georgia) – African American population has a higher percentage than any other ethnic group: 54% women and 49% men
 - Ms. Anderson recommends that proper training and accurate data is accessible in bringing awareness to the youth about HIV/AIDS prevention throughout the state. Refer to Florida Charts for more information about teenage pregnancy and other related issues. Children need to be taught intervention and negotiation skills in avoiding participating sexual intercourse.
 - Identify community base and state agencies models that promote prevention in the public school. Ex. Bloodline – DJJ / DOE partnership program.
 - Promote awareness: Ex. HIV/AIDS hotlines (1-800-CDC-INFO) National Institute of Health (1-800-AIDS-INFO); model / developmental programs; conduct conversations / platforms in homes, churches, schools; health departments; 2-1-1 Big Bend, We Make the Change organization - www.wemakethechange.com.

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<i>Action</i>	<i>Assigned to</i>	<i>Due Date</i>	<i>Status</i>
Follow-up question: Can a teacher file / complete a CMS application? And if so, will it be accepted	Ms. Janice Sullivan	ASAP	In progress
Follow-up question: Is health care disseminated in public schools? If not, what happen to it?	Ms. Janice Sullivan	ASAP	In progress
HIV/AIDS data (disaggregated by race, gender, and incarceration rates comparable to the general population in Florida)	Ms. Janice Sullivan	ASAP	In progress
Subcommittee Report	Subcommittee members	10/17.2008	In progress
Final Annual Report	Dr. Elam and staff	11/19/08	In progress

5. Next Meeting

<i>Target Date:</i>	10/11/08	<i>Time:</i>	9 AM – 11 AM	<i>Location:</i>	Teleconference – Tallahassee Room G19
<i>Objectives:</i>	Subcommittee Report				



Economic Outcomes Teleconference

Date of Meeting: 9/11/2008

Minutes Prepared By: Fredrica Doctor

1. Purpose of Meeting

- Subcommittee's goal discussion

2. Attendance at Meeting

<i>Name</i>	<i>Agency</i>
Mr. Torey Alston - Chair	Department of Management Services
Dr. Brittany Birken	Agency for Workforce Innovation
Ms. Janice Sullivan	University of South Florida, Anchin Center
Ms. Fredrica Doctor – staff	Office of the Attorney General

3. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

- Meeting called to order by Chairman Alston at 3:01 PM
- Approval of meeting minutes
 - Motion given by Dr. Birken
 - Seconded by Chairman Alston
 - Minutes were unanimously approved

4. Action Items

<i>Action</i>	<i>Assigned to</i>	<i>Due Date</i>	<i>Status</i>
Subcommittee's goals 1 & 4	Dr. Birken	10/8/2008	In Progress
Subcommittee's goals 2 & 3	Chairman Alston	10/8/2008	In Progress
Final Subcommittee Draft submission	Chairman Alston / Dr. Birken	10/8/2008	In Progress

5. Next Meeting

<i>Target Date:</i>	10/9/08	<i>Time:</i>	2 PM – 3 PM	<i>Location:</i>	Teleconference - Tallahassee
<i>Objectives:</i>	Subcommittee Report				



Educational Outcomes Teleconference

Date of Meeting: 9/12/2008

Minutes Prepared By: Fredrica Doctor

1. Purpose of Meeting

- Subcommittee's goal discussion

2. Attendance at Meeting

<i>Name</i>	<i>Agency</i>
Dr. Billy R. Close – Chair	Florida State University
Dr. Adeola Fayemi – <i>proxy</i>	Florida Department of Education
Ms. Kathleen Harris	Nova Southeastern University
Dr. Brittany Birken	Agency for Workforce Innovations
Ms. Janice Sullivan	University of South Florida, Anchin Center

3. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

- Chairman Close called the meeting to order at 11:22 AM.
- Chairman Close asked for a motion to approve previous meeting minutes; Dr. Birken moved to approve meeting minutes; minutes were approved
- Chairman Close asked Ms. Sullivan to give an overview of the research methodology that is expected for each subcommittee draft
- Ms. Sullivan discuss the following subcommittee report's expectations set forth by staff
 - General history of each issue / national background
 - Identify model programs that address those issues
 - Recommendations
 - Staff will submit guidelines to each subcommittee chair by Monday
- Ms. Sullivan reiterated that subcommittee chairs should continue to submit questions to staff in helping with their research endeavors.
- Chairman Close followed up with Ms. Harris about any relating data about the effectiveness of career academies for black males.
- Ms. Harris expressed that most of the ground work as been contract through MDRC; the first report included information from Florida schools; however the second report does not. Information from Florida schools should be made available in the third report.
 - The latest MDRC report published in 2007 showed increase in earning over time and higher numbers of completing high school and post secondary among minority youth.
 - Chairman Close inquired whether the data could be broken by race and gender. Ms. Harris relayed that this can be done if asked...in addition, Ms. Harris informed the subcommittee that there is no data available from Florida schools due to a lack of response in completing a survey that addressed black males and career academies in the state of Florida. Report specifically targeted Miami-Dade County.
 - Chairman Close would like to include a descriptive component about the current status of career academies with the subcommittee report. Ms. Harris reference Ms. Gayle Manley from the Florida Department of Education and the Cape Academy to inquiry further data about black males and career academies in the state of Florida.
 - In addition, Chairman Close asked Dr. Fayemi to request the number of black males that are being served in career academies and if so, how and to what extent (if this data is available) from the Department of Education.

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4. Action Items

<i>Action</i>	<i>Assigned to</i>	<i>Due Date</i>	<i>Status</i>
Preliminary draft	Subcommittee	End of September	In progress
Closing the Gap Report	Dr. Fayemi	TBD	In progress
National and state comparative data as it relates to subcommittee's issues	Dr. Fayemi	TBD	In progress
Academies on the Hill Report.	Ms. Kathleen Harris	Next subcommittee meeting	In progress
Subcommittee draft guidelines	Ms. Janice Sullivan	9/15/2008	In progress
Cultural competency data (as it relates to Florida)	Dr. Donna Elam	TBD	In progress

5. Next Meeting

<i>Target Date:</i>	10/10/08	<i>Time:</i>	11:15 PM – 12:15 PM	<i>Location:</i>	Teleconference – Tallahassee Room G19
<i>Objectives:</i>	Subcommittee Report				



Council Teleconference

Date of Meeting: 9/18/08

Minutes Prepared By: Fredrica Doctor

1. Purpose of Meeting

- 2008 Annual Report

2. Attendance at Meeting

<i>Name</i>	<i>Agency</i>
Mr. Christopher Norwood – Chair	Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys
Mr. Torey Alston	Department of Management Services
Dr. Brittany Birken	Agency for Workforce Innovations
Dr. Emile Commedore	Department of Health
Mr. Bill James	C&C International Computers and Consultants, Inc.
Ms. Lillian Lima	Department of Children and Families
Representative Perry Thurston, Jr.	Florida House of Representatives
Dr. Shairi Turner	Department of Juvenile Justice, Office of Health Services
Senator Stephen Wise	Florida Senate
Ms. Cythnia Guerra, Esq.	Office of the Attorney General
Mr. Emery Gainey	Office of the Attorney General
Mr. Rick Nuss	Office of the Attorney General
Mrs. Barbara Cohen-Pippin	Broward Community College
Mr. Charles Calaman	Office of Senator Frederica Wilson

Ms. Nakita Kaiza	University of South Florida, Anchin Center
Ms. Janice Sullivan	University of South Florida, Anchin Center
Ms. Lydia Southwell – Dr. Fayemi’s designee	Department of Education

3. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

- Defer the approval of previous meeting minutes until next scheduled council teleconference.
- Defer annual report style discussion until next scheduled council teleconference.
- Legislative update
 - Ms. Pippin gave an overview of the top 15 recommendations matrix submitted to the council; its purpose is to monitor legislation that applies to the council’s interest. Chairman Norwood requested that each committee chair complete those sections of the matrix that apply to their committee. In addition, subcommittee (current) recommendations should be included within the top 15 recommendations matrix.
 - Ms. Pippin offered to help committee chairs with completing their section as it relates to the top 15 recommendations.
 - Chairman Norwood requested that current and past legislation be referenced or introduced within each subcommittee report as it relates to the identified subcommittee’s focal areas.
 - Mr. James emphasized that all of the council’s successes (administrative and legislative) should be highlighted in the report; this would send a message to those recipients of the reports as to what we have accomplished and set to accomplish in the future.
- DSO appointment status
 - Mr. Gainey indicated that the Attorney General office made contact with each appointing entity to the DSO; however, has not received a response from each entity. In addition, Mr. Gainey reiterated that the DSO was established as a funding mechanism for the council and along with the establishment of the DSO’s board...the hiring of an executive director will need to be conducted... this individual may have to serve on a voluntary basis until funds are raised.
 - The office of the Attorney General Executive management team will be having a meeting Friday to further discuss General McCollum’s designee selections for board membership.
 - In addition, Chairman Norwood conveyed to the council that letters were sent to each appointing entity to remind them of the soft deadline, September 30, 2008 to submit their designees to the DSO. The establishment of the DSO is the key to a high profile membership which will draw more attention about the council and its purpose.
 - Senator Wilson has reached out to the Senate president and to the Speaker of the House about their appointees to the DSO.
- Recommendations to promote funding and to promote interest in the Council
 - Dr. Commedore: The council should focus on core issues when presenting the annual report to the legislation. In addition, recommendations and data should be presented in a simplified format to promote / to encourage the public to read the report. In addition, the annual report should highlight how the council’s recommendations can be a cost benefit to the state.

- Mr. Calaman referenced the Re-direct program from DJJ as a possible template for the council to utilize as a cost avoidance model.
 - Dr. Turner referenced the DMC (Disproportionate Minority Contact) report as an appropriation model for the council to utilize to obtain executive leadership group as well as provide funding to counties throughout the state in an effort to support the council's mission. Refer to HB 1477
 - Mr. Bill James said that he would seek legislative support to help fund the council during his business trip in Washington, DC.
 - Senator Wise reiterated that the data provided within the annual report is crucial to bill analysts in the bill drafting / analysis process. This will allow for both house and senate committees to see the work of the council.
 - Senator Wise gave an overview of his 20 year education vision projection which is a \$7 billion endowment that seeks to cut the crime rate by 25 % to 30 % among 18 to 25 years old in providing educational opportunities and employment training. In addition, Senator Wise gave an overview of the Justice Center, an organization based out of New York that addresses such issues as ex-offenders, employment opportunities, and reentry.
 - Senator Wise will provide staff information about the Justice Center and data that is relevant to the state of Florida with regards to ex-offenders, reentry, and employment opportunities.
 - **Chairman Norwood requested that an economic impact analysis be included within each subcommittee report that speaks to each subcommittee recommendation.**
- Status of Subcommittee's report
 - Ms Lillian Lima, chair of the Foster Care and Family Issues discussed the following three focal points and recommendations with the council
 - Fatherhood initiatives
 - Address the opportunities and challenges that are affecting fatherhood
 - Identify state model program; "Real Dad, Real Men" (affiliated with Florida Healthy Start program)
 - Fatherhood initiatives within the prison system
 - Relative kinship care
 - Financial needs of families
 - State model program in Pinellas county: Kinship Services Network Services
 - Support services for youth aging out of the foster care system
 - The challenges of black males aging out of the foster care system
 - Model program: Operation Full Employment; Pilot project: Work Readiness Training
 - Recommendations
 - Support legislation to promote and facilitate Fatherhood Initiatives
 - Support legislation to provide a \$2 per day cost-of-living increase for State's Relative Care Giver Program
 - Support legislation to promote and facilitate Employment Initiatives for youth and young adults aging and/or aged-out of foster care
 - Support legislation to promote and facilitate access to Higher Education Institutions and Vocational Training for foster care youth and young adults aging and/or aged-out of foster care.

- Ms. Lima has submitted an updated subcommittee draft to the council for their consideration.
- Mr. Torey Alston gave a brief overview of his subcommittee report's goals
 - Encourage public institutions to provide employment opportunities for individuals with criminal histories;
 - Promotion of economic opportunities with public dollars in outreach initiatives
 - Identify access to capital for black men and boys thus modeling financial literacy programs
 - Identify employment and training opportunities for black men and boys; in addition identifying barriers in both urban and suburban communities.
 - Each goal has been divided into sub goals and assigned to committee members.
- **Chairman Norwood asked research staff to provide additional statistical data for each issue identified by each subcommittee.** In addition, Chairman Norwood reiterated that committee chairs continue to submit their research inquires to staff prior to the October 6th deadline.
- **Issues**
 - Mr. Calaman from Senator Wilson's office inquired about where the DSO can solicit funds?
 - Chairman Norwood replied that the DSO can solicit funds from anywhere. In addition, he reiterated that the council's statute allows for the council to solicit funds i.e. grants, donations, etc...asked that the staff look into pursuing funding mechanisms that would help to fund the council's efforts.
 - Chairman Norwood asked that all travel requests be submitted to the treasurer, Mr. Bill James, for approval.

4. Action Items

<i>Action</i>	<i>Assigned to</i>	<i>Due Date</i>	<i>Status</i>
Top 15 recommendations matrix (to include subcommittee's recommendations)	Mrs. Barbara Cohen – Pippin / Committee chairs	Prior to or on 10/6/2008	In Progress
Submit to Fredrica the following: Florida 20 year education vision; Information about the Justice Center / Data (ex-offenders, reentry, and employment opportunities as it relates to the state of Florida)	Senator Wise		In Progress
Subcommittee Final Draft	Committee Chairs	10/17/2008	In Progress
Annual Report Final Draft	Dr. Elam and staff	11/19/2008	In Progress

Adoption of Bylaws	Council	10/13/2008	In Progress
Research Inquires	All subcommittees	10/6/2008	Economic – Complete Criminal Justice – In Progress Education - In Progress Foster Care and Family Issues – Complete (submitted updated draft to the council) Legislative Review – In progress Health – In Progress

5. Next Meeting

<i>Target Date:</i>	10/13/08	<i>Time:</i>	2 PM – 4 PM	<i>Location:</i>	Teleconference – Tallahassee, Room 163
<i>Objectives:</i>	2008 Annual Report				