

**Juvenile Court Improvement Program Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2023  
Via WebEx**

Juvenile & Family Court Programs Division  
1133 Chemeketa Street NE, Salem, OR 97301  
1:30 PM – 4:00 PM

<b>COMMITTEE MEMBERS</b>			
X	Hon. Manuel Perez, Marion County Circuit Court		Hon. Eva Temple, Umatilla and Morrow Counties Circuit Court
X	Hon. Darleen Ortega, Oregon Court of Appeals	X	Hon. Amy Holmes Hehn, Multnomah County Circuit Court
	Hon. Megan Jacquot, Coos County Circuit Court	X	Hon. Valeri Love, Lane County Circuit Court
X	Hon. Bethany Flint, Deschutes County Circuit Court		Lacey Andresen, Deputy Director, ODHS Child Welfare
	Mark Hardin, Retired Director, Child Welfare Center on Children & the Law, American Bar Association	X	Jenna App, Director, Oregon CASA Network
X	Darin Mancuso, Foster Care Ombudsman, Governor's Advocacy Office	X	Kim Keller, Child Permanency Manager, ODHS Child Welfare
X	Gail Schelle, Assistant Child Permanency Program Manager, ODHS Child Welfare		Kristi Petite, Confed. Tribes of Grand Ronde
X	Maggie Carlson, Attorney, Youth Rights and Justice	X	Tabitha Stevenson, PCRCP Manager
	Megan Brazo-Erickson, Asst. Manager of Federal Policy and Resources, ODHS Child Welfare	X	Joanne Southey, Deputy Chief Counsel, Child Advocacy Division, DOJ
X	Mandi Montgomery, TCA Yamhill County	X	Christine Kamps, ICWA Consultant, Office of Tribal Affairs, ODHS
	Becky Mastne, Parent Mentor at Morrison Child and Family Services		Timothy Phipps, Morrison Mentor
X	Christine Kamps, ICWA Consultant, Office of Tribal Affairs, DHS		Marlie Magill, Foster Care Liaison with Oregon Department of Education
	Jennifer Holman, Family Preservation Manager for Self Sufficiency, ODHS	X	Shannon Flowers, Chief Juvenile Trial Counsel, OPDS
	Kim Lorz, Training & Workforce Development Manager, ODHS Child Welfare	X	Daniel Schneider, Training Specialist Child Welfare Partnership, Center for Improvement of Child and Family Services
X	Wade Calkins, Parent Mentor, The Family Nurturing Center	X	Suzanne Callahan, CRB Field Manager
<b>INTERESTED PARTIES</b>			

X	Christa Obold Eshleman	X	Lisa Bender, ODHS
X	Jennifer Ricks		
<b>JFCPD STAFF</b>			
X	Nanci Thaemert, Director, JFCPD		Heidi Strauch, Programs Manager, JFCPD
	Amy Miller, Asst. Deputy Director SCA	X	Joseph Muirhead, Data Analyst, BFSD
X	Jayne Cooper, ICWA & JCIP Analyst, JFCPD		Nella Hogberg, JDIP Analyst, JFCPD
X	Heidi Moon, Juvenile Law Analyst, JFCPD	X	Yousef Allouzi, Data Analyst, BFSD & JFCPD
X	Nikki Hahn, Management Assistant, JFCPD	X	Christina Jagernauth, Asst. Director of CRB
X	Jordan Bates, OGC, OJD		

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

**2. Update and discussion on future JCIP AC meetings-Jayne Cooper**

*Jayne Cooper:* discussion for in person and online meetings. Calendars are booked throughout the rest of this year. September meeting will be a hybrid meeting during the same time.

**3. CQI Data Review-Yousef Allouzi & Joseph Muirhead**

**a. Quarterly Statistical Reports-Joseph Muirhead**

Q1 Data Summary reviewed and discussed.

**b. ORICWA Data Project-Yousef Allouzi**

Preliminary data reviewed and discussed

**4. CIP Project Discussion—JCIP-ODHS Safety Question Project**

**a. Review & feedback on draft questions**

*Jayne Cooper:* reviews questions, members sent to breakout rooms to discuss. Questions will be discussed at the Model Court Summit.

*Judge Perez:* questions should be asked in the shelter report, ready for court.

*Joanne Southey:* barrier may be that different terms are being used.

*Judge Love:* flexibility to use verbiage that sets the tone for rest of hearing.

*Maggie Carlson:* integration about what the specific harm will be to a particular child.

## **5. Child and youth representation on appeal—a look at what’s happening**

*Jayne Cooper:* Concern brought forward about children not being represented on appeal and requested data about how often that has been happening. Data shown reflecting frequency of child present at appeal. Quality legal representation is a priority for JCIP.

*Judge Love:* Most cases where child had an attorney were affirmed on appeal, child’s attorney had to request for appellate counsel.

*Joanne Southey:* DOJ has seen the child not represented on appeal frequently and has questions as well. Processes to represent children on appeal have been challenging and infrequent.

*Christa Obold-Eshleman:* Form needs to be filled out by trial attorney to obtain child attorney on appeal. Not sure why that hasn’t been happening as often as it should.

*Justice Ortega:* Does not see many cases where children are represented on appeal, not sure what might be missing since cases are low for representation. Concerned about neither DOJ nor parent attorney requesting appellate counsel due to differing perspectives.

## **6. CRB Data Project**

*Christina Jagernauth:* draft data documents sent to members which came from CRB’s 3-year strategic plan. Ten measures were collected over the last eight months and would like to continue collecting the data for each case that is reviewed and report the information quarterly.

## **7. Partner Sharing, Final Thoughts**

### **Upcoming JCIP Events**

- NACC High Quality Legal Representation in Dependency Cases—3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> sessions June 16<sup>th</sup> & June 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Through the Eyes of a Child – August 7 & 8 in Salem
- Model Court Summit – September 22 via WebEx

**I. Next meeting: September 11, 2023, hybrid from Salem.**