



Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Attorney General Derek Schmidt, Chairperson
Clay Britton III, Vice-Chairperson (Governor's Designee)

**Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
Topeka, Kansas
Conference Call
9:00 a.m.**

Minutes of June 21, 2021

Council Members in Attendance

Attorney General Derek Schmidt, Chairperson
Clay Britton, Governor's Designee and Vice-Chairperson
Amber Smith, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Designee
Colonel Herman Jones, Superintendent of the Kansas Highway Patrol
Jeff Zmuda, Secretary of Corrections
Kirk Thompson, Director of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation

Staff in Attendance

Julienne Maska, Jill Stewart, Erica Haas, Kim Gerety, Jocelyn Scott, and Jamie Bowser, Kansas Governor's Grants Program (KGGP)

Others in Attendance

Ed Klumpp, Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, the Kansas Sheriffs' Association, and the Kansas Peace Officers Association, and Leo F. Daprato.

Welcome

Chairperson Schmidt called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. At the request of Chairperson Schmidt, Ms. Maska called role of the Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (Council) members to determine a quorum and others present on the call.

September 1, 2020, Minutes

Secretary Zmuda made a motion to approve the September 1, 2020, minutes. Director Thompson seconded the motion and it passed.

Program Narrative for the FY 2021 Federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Application

Ms. Stewart provided an overview of the Program Narrative for the 2021 Federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Application. She explained changes from last year's Program Narrative were minimal and included updating the crime statistics. Director Thompson said two Illinois counties encompassing the St. Louis metro area were recently added to the Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. Mr. Britton made a motion to amend the Program Narrative to include the Illinois counties and to approve the amended version. Ms. Smith seconded the motion and the amended Program Narrative was approved by acclamation.

State FY 2022 JAG solicitation

Ms. Haas provided a brief overview of the state FY 2022 JAG Solicitation with a due date of July 21, 2021. She explained the only substantive change from the FY 2021 JAG Solicitation was removal of the certification requirements regarding federal immigration laws. The language was removed due to guidance received from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) that stated the immigration certification special conditions would no longer be enforced on certain Office of Justice Programs grants, including JAG. Chairperson Schmidt said he was not aware of the revised federal guidance and requested a copy. Ms. Haas agreed to provide a copy of the guidance to all Council members. Secretary Zmuda asked how the solicitation will be distributed. Ms. Haas said it will be posted on the KGGP website and in the *Kansas Register*. Ms. Stewart said the Solicitation will also be emailed to current subgrantees, the KGGP list-serve, the League of Kansas Municipalities, and the Kansas Association of Counties. Director Thompson made a motion to approve the state FY 2022 JAG Solicitation and Mr. Britton seconded the motion. The motion passed with Chairperson Schmidt abstaining. Chairperson Schmidt stated his intention to review the new federal guidance with his team.

Other Business

Bulletproof Vest Partnership

Ms. Stewart informed the Council that Kansas has received a \$26,444.48 award notice for the Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) grant. Ms. Stewart explained that the Kansas BVP allocation from the DOJ is first awarded to local governments and the remaining balance is awarded to state agencies. The KGGP received two applications (Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC)): \$136,247.42 and (University of Kansas Public Safety): \$2,142.50 and the funds must be awarded to one or both of these applicants. Director Thompson made a motion to fund the University of Kansas Public Safety's full request at \$2,142.50 and award the remainder, \$24,301.98, to KDOC. Colonel Jones seconded the motion and the motion passed. Secretary Zmuda did not participate in the discussion or vote on the motion.

Prison Rape Elimination Act

Ms. Stewart said the Kansas Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) grant funds are applied for by the KGGP on behalf of the KDOC. She informed the Council the FFY 2020 funds are currently

placed on a hold by the DOJ but can be subgranted to the KDOC once the hold is resolved. The Chairperson asked for a motion to approve the subaward of funds upon release of the hold. A motion was not received, and Chairperson Schmidt said the request fails on lack of a motion.

Adjournment

At 9:28 a.m. Chairperson Schmidt adjourned the meeting.