

SPECIALTY COURT FUNDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting location: Click Link to Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 867 8720 8552 Passcode: 12345	Attendees:	Y	N		Y	N
	Hon. Nicholas St. Peter, chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Passiglia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Hon. Timothy McCarthy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jessica Dultmeier	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sen. Kellie Warren	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Libertee Thompson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Sen. Rick Billinger	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OJA Staff:		
	Rep. Stephen Owens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amy Raymond	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Rep. Victor Miller	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dawn Huddleston	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Michael Kagay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Melanie McMurphy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Andrew Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Daniel Olson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Teresa Greenwood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Justice Evelyn Wilson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: 7/12/2024						
Time: 10:00 am–12:00 pm						

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1	Call to Order ▪ Hon. Nicholas St Peter, chair	
2	Review of KOMA ▪ Dawn Huddleston	
3	Roll Call ▪ Dawn Huddleston	
4	Approval of Minutes ▪ Daniel Olson	Deputy Sec. A. Brown moved to approve with Rep. S. Owens second. Passed.
5	Public Comment	None present
6	OJA Update ▪ Amy Raymond ▪ Dawn Huddleston ▪ Melanie McMurphy	<p>a. <u>Funding opportunity</u> – A. Raymond reported that the Judicial Branch is working on the budget for FY26, and it is being asked for the committee’s recommendations for a budget for specialty courts. Rep. S. Owens recommended educating the Appropriations Committee members as well as the chairperson on the importance of the specialty courts. The committee recommended a \$3 million budget request with the SCFAC providing oversight for how that money is spent. Rep. S. Owens motioned to request the Legislature appropriate \$3 million to the SCFAC for FY26, with Judge. T. McCarthy second. Motion carried.</p> <p>b. <u>Specialty Court (Rule 191) Committee</u> – D. Huddleston reported that Judge Braun has been working on creating a draft of bylaws for a potential association and meeting with members of associations from other states for guidance and assistance. She stated that the SCFAC will be asked for recommendations for board members for the potential association. She reported that one of the sub-committees</p>

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- proposed making changes to Rule 192 to include components of treatment courts that are vital. She noted that the website has been updated and will need continued updates.
- c. 2024 State Specialty Court Meeting - D. Huddleston reported that the Rule 191 committee has been working on the Conference. The conference is scheduled for September 18th and 19th which is being held in Salina, KS.
 - d. Grant Funding – M. McMurphy reported that 7 grant applications were submitted. These were for specialty courts, the Family Treatment Court pilot sites, to expand VTC, and sustain current drug courts. She reported that she received information that the Kansas SKIP board is going to broaden their priorities to include most of BJA’s priorities. This will allow a better chance to gain funding through this source.
 - e. National standard updates – D. Huddleston added this update. She stated that the national conference is going to be making changes to the standards. She stated that they are going to be developing and testing a proficiency test for coordinators. This would be a certification for coordinators and will be tied into federal grant funding.

7 Subcommittee Reports ** Denotes subcommittee chair*

State / Local Funding

- Libertee Thompson*
- Jessica Dultmeier
- Teresa Greenwood

L. Thompson reported that the focus has been using a central information system to gather data to determine funding.

National Funding

- Andrew Brown*
- Rep. Stephen Owens
- Hon. Nicholas St. Peter

D. Huddleston stated that she was planning on drafting an email that would be sent Kansas Legislatures to educate on specialty courts. This will help as an education tool and asking Kansas Legislatures for support when asking for federal funding.

Data Collection

- Hon. Timothy McCarthy*
- Sen. Kellie Warren
- Michael Kagay

D. Huddleston reported that she took the worksheets that are needed for grants and converted them into our forms. She will then send these forms out to current recipients of grants, so we have consistent data reporting. Judge N. St. Peter stated that his court uses Connexis for data collection and it has been very useful. He said it cost them \$4,000 per year and could be used statewide. D. Huddleston stated that a barrier would be the procurement

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		<p>process and it also would be putting more work on employees to add information to a 3rd system. She is currently working with Odyssey on tags and other areas that could be flagged but it probably won't gather all the information we need. Judge N. St. Peter reported that he spoke to Connexis and they said they do work with Tyler and can partner with them as they do in Georgia.</p>
	<p>Legislative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rep. Victor Miller ▪ Hon. Nicholas St. Peter* ▪ Jennifer Passiglia ▪ Sen. Rick Billinger 	<p>Judge N. St. Peter reported they are focusing on approaching the diversion process. He explained that Community Corrections is not able to supervise diversion individuals who are not convicted, and Court Services is not able to utilize SB123 funding due to the way the Statute was written. He stated that the attempt to allow Court Services to utilize SB123 funding.</p> <p>He stated the other item is updating Rule 190 regarding judges and specialty courts and having to obtain consent to preside on other matters for participants because of the ex parte communications. As the rule applies now, a judge would not be allowed to hear any cases that involve a past specialty court participant. He stated they are going to propose a time limit.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Program Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dawn Huddleston 	<p>Judge N. St. Peter reported that a Family Treatment Court training is scheduled for July 22nd and 23rd with Children and Family Futures. This will include each pilot counties team and focused on implementation of FTC. Some team members have received Motivational Interviewing already. Target start date for all 3 is September 2024. Currently, the pilot counties have temporary coordinators but will have full time when grant funding is secured. KDADs and DCF have been helpful as a funding source for treatment.</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Other Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data collection program
<p>10</p>	<p>Announcements</p>	
<p>11</p>	<p>Next Main Committee meeting date</p>	<p><u>10/4/2024</u> – 10:00 am–noon (hybrid)</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>Next Sub-Committee dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State/Local Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8/13/2024 – noon-1:00pm ○ 9/10/2024 – noon-1:00pm • National Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8/8/2024 – 8:00am-9:00am ○ 9/10/2024 – 8:00am-9:00am • Data Collection

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13	Adjournment	

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