

Juvenile Court Association of Georgia
Executive Board Meeting

March 11, 2016

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The following board members and court representatives were in attendance:

Charlatte Smith, Henry Co.	John P. Johnson III, Clayton Co.
Dean Hix, Clayton Co.	Sharika Spates, Clayton Co.
Carlotta Cloud, DeKalb Co.	Andrea Benefield, Clayton Co.
Indya Grier, Clayton Co.	<i>Gwen Bailey, Fulton Co. (present but did not sign in)</i>
Ronaldi Rollins, Clayton Co.	

The meeting was called to order by Ronaldi Rollins (Parliamentarian) at 11:14 a.m. at the Clayton County Juvenile Justice Center. President John Johnson moved that the minutes from 2/12/2016 be accepted, Andrea Benefield seconded and the motion was approved.

TREASURER

In Kendra Steven's absence Indya Grier presented the Treasurer's report. The current balance is \$14,646.32.

MEMBERSHIP

Indya Grier reported that we currently have 88 members and that we are still receiving applications.

LEGISLATIVE

No report.

SCHOLARSHIP

John Johnson reported that the scholarship money is secured and now we need nominations for juveniles who are applying to colleges. The required report card and essay are due to the nominating JCAG member by 4/18/2016 and the nominating JCAG member must have the materials submitted by 5/6/2016. Detailed information is available on the web site (JCAG.net).

NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS

Andrea Benefield will be sending out nomination packets by 4/15/2016. John Johnson asked that a message go out to the member courts that the members need to look in their ranks to consider people to serve on the JCAG Board. We tend to have the same people back on the board every year, but involving new people will help us to gain more "buy-in" from the membership.

BY LAWS

John Johnson will submit a recommendation that the By-Laws be modified to state simply that JCAG is made up of Georgia Independent Juvenile Courts, rather than listing a particular number of courts as it does now. The

reason for this is that the number of independent courts fluctuates from year to year. We will vote on this change at a later session. In light of this, although we do have printed and PDF copies of the by-laws John would like to find out who has the original copy so that we will not have to retype the entire document when modifications are made.

FUNDRAISING

John reminded us again that all of the current information is on the website.

WEBSITE

John stated that the website is being updated as we go.

[Secretary's note: vendor information will be placed on the website and Pay-Pal is also up and running. I used Pay-Pal to pay my membership and conference fee and it was very convenient]

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

No new report but this information is on the website.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The games and schedule have been set (speed pull, 3 point shootout, tug-o-war, hula hoop contest, musical chairs, relay race with hippity hop, pass the baton, jump rope, drop and pop). Charlatte reported that things are being coordinated in order that necessary equipment will be available. Consuela will be in contact with the Boys and Girls Club about finalizing the schedule and what equipment they already have. Indya and John will see to it that any other equipment is purchased. The cost will not be much. WE ARE STILL GREATLY IN NEED OF MAN POWER. We will get it covered, but we need more volunteers.

CONFERENCE

A cover for the conference book was presented and approved with a couple of modifications. All of the information needed for the book must be May 13 and a final draft will be presented at the May Board meeting.

All speakers for the conference have been finalized and photos and bios are being collected and final titles are being submitted.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Adjourn at 11:50 a.m.

The next board meeting will be at 11:00 a.m. on April 8, 2016 at Clayton County Juvenile Court.