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**NATIVE HAWAIIAN JUSTICE TASK FORCE**

DATE: July 10, 2012

TIME: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Library, Office of Hawaiian Affairs  
711 Kapi`olani Boulevard Suite 500  
Honolulu, HI 96813

**MINUTES**

**I. Call to order**

Attending:

Michael F. Broderick, Chair (President, CEO YMCA of Honolulu) (Public member)

Dr. Kamana`opono Crabbe, OHA

Tricia Nakamatsu, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney City & County of Honolulu

Jack Tonaki, Public Defender

Honorable Richard K. Perkins, 1<sup>st</sup> Circuit Court Judge

Martha Torney, Deputy Director of Administration, Public Safety

Cheryl Marlow, Adult Client Services Branch Administrator

Sterling Wong, OHA, Public Policy Manager

Kealoha Fox, OHA, Executive Manager to Ka Pouhana

Jeff Kent, OHA, Public Policy Advocate III

Public:

Sonny Ganaden

Fred Hyun

Not present:

Paul Perrone, Chief of Research & Statistics, Department of the Attorney General

RaeDeen Karasuda, Ph.D. – Criminologist member selected by the Governor

Her work here is not representative or associated with her position at Kamehameha Schools

Bishop Estate

**II. Update on Professor John MacDonald**

Discussed difficulty in reaching Professor MacDonald. Found out he might be on vacation. Will reach out again to Professor MacDonald.

### **III. Review of June Minutes**

Slight change on the June minutes. On page 4 changing parole and probation.

### **IV. Justice Summit Impressions**

The task force discussed the Honolulu summit. Impressions were favorable. Members valued the constructive and specific recommendations and how the personal stories really brought the issues home. The issues are complex and multi-pronged and the solutions are too. People have high expectations of the NHJTF.

For Kona, the task force members that attended felt the tone was more emotional and personal

### **V. Public Testimony – Fred Hyun**

Fred Hyun was invited by Tricia Nakamatsu. He has a long career in working with youth from programs like the Kalihi YMCA all the way through the Youth Correctional Facility and pretrial services.

Fred Hyun-I've heard the overrepresentation arguments, we always focused on individuals and their needs, where to put them when they get out. Housing is so critical, then jobs. Liked the furlough system where the state would cover costs on a sliding scale for 3 months then gradually the business would cover more, like 75% State to 25% business, then 50/50% etc. until business covers 100%. It's a similar transition model to halfway houses.

Michael Broderick-Does this work furlough program still exist?

Martha Torney and Cheryl Marlow-No, it does not.

Fred Hyun-We had programs at Kulani that taught work skills, apprenticeship programs, tied into status, self esteem, and skill building. It would have been great to have that with adults too for transition purposes.

Martha Torney-Reminds me of program we had with the electrical union to transition guys into the union with work at the facilities.

Michael Broderick –We are identifying obstacles in getting out and transitioning, any thoughts on impediments we could look at?

Fred Hyun-Halfway homes are key. We need to teach survival skills for the outside because the inmates are institutionalized and transition drives anxiety. Teach them incremental skills, eating out, shopping, paying bills, financial skills, the skills that most take for granted.

A sequentially phased program would be ideal. Start with basics and progress to the next phase.

## **VI. Sub-Committee Reports**

### **a. Data**

Members not present.

### **b. Alternatives to incarceration**

Tricia Nakamatsu-Based on my notes from the justice summit, I broke down comments into categories of useful ideas and what we discussed as a group, Judge Perkins pointed out we're missing evaluation as an aspect of the programs.

Judge Perkins-We're hearing about great projects but I'm missing on whether these programs are effective. Need a system for evaluation. Inventory is great but need to know if they work too.

Tricia Nakamatsu -Ties back to Mitch Roth's comment that cultural programs can fit into the data mold and be directed to by the courts.

Martha Torney-Evaluation is tied to evidence based requirements in RFP. Many in the field find that the cultural programs don't have evaluation or that they do not have merit because they don't hit the requirements that are required.

Cheryl Marlow-I asked my program specialist about this, some cultural programs aren't always effective based on the CPCs, (correctional program checklists).

Martha Torney -CPC is not an evaluation tool, it just shows that it is meeting evidence based program requirements.

Michael Broderick -It surprises me that cultural programs aren't found to be effective under the CPC.

Cheryl Marlow -It's that you can't say that it's just cultural based, it's more than culture, it's the total program effectiveness. It's getting the cultural programs to tailor themselves and communicate their effectiveness to the CPC and vice versa

Judge Perkins-Does ACSB have list of approved programs?

Cheryl Marlow -yes

Martha Torney -Yes, for about 8-10 years, it's helpful to have the list. The evaluation issue is common for many states, usually it takes a university grant to fund an evaluation.

Tricia Nakamatsu-We still want to look at reintegration, visitation protocol.

### **c. Training**

Cheryl Marlow-Lorraine Robinson of TJ Mahoneys would like NHJTF to do a site visit. She's involved with Trauma Informed Care so we could cover that issue too.

Martha Torney -We also have to cover that programs aren't effective in isolation. We need holistic programs and TJ Mahoneys is holistic.

Cheryl Marlow -I got dates I can get to the task force, aiming for August. Coordinate with Jeff

Martha Torney -Lorraine also emphasized that the importance of leadership is vital and Lorraine's work at TJ Mahoneys is an example of that leadership.

## **VI. Public Testimony – Sonny Ganaden**

Michael Broderick -Sonny, can you introduce yourself.

Sonny Ganaden-Aloha, my name is Sonny Ganaden. I'm a former attorney for the Domestic Violence Action Center. I testified at the O'ahu summit and I'm helping the task force with some research. I'm meeting with some other folks doing research in this field, working with Appleseed Justice Center projects on cultural programming and trauma.

I'm looking at things like the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI), how it changed through the legislature, the national model, what the governor has been saying about bringing pa'ahao home. Pondering what Judge Town has said.

Martha Torney-I have a lot of info for you on JRI. I was with the Governor's lead on JRI legislation.

## **VII. OHA Staff Support Plan for the Task Force**

Sterling Wong Introduced a plan, budget, and timeline for the NHJTF legislative report.

Martha Torney- There's been a lot of practical solutions, maybe we can flesh out some of the programs, maybe my department can come up with an example of say, a "farming program"

Michael Broderick-PSD has some research in this area that we can probably share, etc. I would like something in the report on the JRI process. I anticipate the NHJTF will not reach consensus

on all issues. We most likely will have to vote on some issues, and reflect the vote in the report. Regarding model legislation we should be strategic on who we can ask to introduce bills.

Jack Tonaki-To the extent this expands on JRI, it could make sense for the Governor to introduce and in other instances for OHA to introduce.

Sterling Wong-Also keep in mind the Governor and OHA have different deadlines for getting bills into their package. There are other ways to introduce bills as well like short forms and through legislators.

Martha Torney-For the Governor, the package deadline is usually mid-December but there's wiggle room.

### **VIII. Additional Public Comment**

None.

### **IX. Next Steps**

Meeting on August 14, 2012 from 2-4pm at OHA library.