SANGAMON COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL MEETING
October 22, 2015

Meeting called to order at 11:35 a.m. by State's Attorney John Milhiser (Chairman)

Chairman Milhiser asked for a motion for approval of meeting minutes from August 26. 2015. Motion made by Shirene Thomas and seconded by Dan Mounce. The motion passed.

New Business

- John Milhiser announced that Mike Torchia, Shirene Thomas and himself participated in a phone conference on October 14, 2015 with members of the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission. The purpose of the phone call was to review the Disproportionate Minority Contract (DMC) data for Sangamon County. A copy of the data was passed out. John Milhiser and Mike Torchia went over the data and the members discussed the data,

- John Milhiser announced that representative from his office, representatives from law enforcement, a representative from TASC and probation will be attending the Illinois Partnership & Strategies to Reduce Violent Crime Conference in Peoria, IL from November 4-5, 2015. A report will be made at next Juvenile Justice Council meeting. .

- Shirene Thomas from UIS shared some information about various meetings that she has attended and resources and training available around the region/State. Also, Ms. Thomas handed out a summary of her report that she made on August 26, 2015.

Old Business

- HB 2567-This bill was discussed at the last Juvenile Justice Council Meeting . This bill goes into effect on January 1, 2016. It indicates that juvenile officials must first check to see if a community alternative (Youth Service Bureau) is available before placing a juvenile ages 10-12 in detention prior to trial. A meeting still needs to be setup to include representatives from Youth Service Bureau, Springfield Police Department, Sangamon County Sheriff's Department, Sangamon County State's Attorney's Office and Probation & Court Services Department. Mike Torchia will coordinate the meeting.

- Juvenile Justice Council Grant- The funding will be utilized to conduct two (2) educational forums. A subcommittee has been formed consisting of John Milhiser, Mike Torchia, Carlos Norris, Rick Sanders, Shirene Thomas, and Shannon Fehrholz was formed to work on a Truancy forum. This meeting needs to be setup.

- Juvenile Redeploy Program - Mike Torchia provided a brief update. Currently there are eleven (11) youths enrolled in this program. Services continue to be provided by TASC, YSB and Lincoln Prairie despite the fact that there is no State money to pay them yet.

- Mike Torchia indicated that the Data Committee still needs to get together.

No other business was reported.

Chairman Milhiser asked for any public comment. There was none.

Chairman Milhiser indicated that the next Juvenile Justice Council is scheduled for December 3, 2015 @ 11:30 a.m.

Chairman Milhiser asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Rick Sanders and seconded by Dan Mounce. The motion passed.