

**LAW AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
July 20, 2009**

The Law and Justice Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Monday, July 20, 2009 @ 6:30p.m. in the DeKalb County Administration Building's Conference Room East. Chairman Marlene Allen called the meeting to order. Members present were Riley Oncken, Kevin Chambliss and Anita Turner. Margi Gilmour was also present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Oncken, seconded by Ms. Turner, and it was carried unanimously to approve the minutes from June 2009.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Oncken moved to pull item #4 on the DUI Court since it did not open last week.

Moved by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Chambliss, and it was carried unanimously to approve the amended agenda.

COURT SERVICES MONTHLY REPORTS

Ms. Margi Gilmour, DeKalb County Court Services Director, presented her monthly Juvenile and Adult Report to the committee. She said that they had 18 new cases in June in the adult court arena.

She said that the courts ordered 7200 CRS hours in the month of June. The number of hours completed in June were 6,114.

With regards to the Juvenile Report there were two people in residential placement. There was one person released in June. The other placement will be in there yet for a while. There have been 2 detained admissions with 1 being for the 1st time and 1 each for the 5th time. Ms. Gilmour feels that her budget will come under for detention. So far her department has spent \$81,000 on detentions.

Ms. Gilmour said that the Safehouse is coming along great. She passed out a brochure that her department will be placing in churches and businesses around the county seeking parent partners for the Safehouse and children throughout the county. Ms. Gilmour informed the committee that there would be an Orientation Meeting in August for people interested in the Parent Partners Program.

Ms. Gilmour then passed out another brochure to the committee regarding the Mentor a Youth Program that her department also runs. They are currently interviewing men and women to help with the program.

Before moving on to discuss the Jail Report, Mr. Oncken asked if Sheriff Scott could come to the committee meeting in August to discuss the EHM Program with the committee. Since this was a subject item that was discussed at the last county board meeting, Mr. Oncken felt that with the budget discussions opening up soon in September that next month would be a good time to discuss this program. The committee would like to see if more people could be added into the EHM Program and what the cost savings would be.

JAIL REPORT

Chairman Allen said that the Jail Report shows the inmate population for the month of June as 114 inmates and that the report shows high costs for rental space in out-of-county jails and transporting inmates to these facilities.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Oncken, seconded by Ms. Turner, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlene Allen, Chairman

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