

Sanford “Sandy” Krasnoff New Orleans Criminal Justice Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Thelma French.

II. Roll Call & Opening Remarks

Chief Judge Candice Bates-Anderson	Juvenile Court	Present
Chief Public Defender Danny Engelberg	Public Defender	Absent
Tobie Lamy	Probation and Parole	Designee Present
Councilmember Leslie Harris	City Council	Present
Sheriff Susan Hutson	Sheriff	Present
Judge Bobby Jones	Judge	Present
Asya Howlette	Office of Youth and Families	Designee Present
Darren Lombard	Clerk of Court	Absent
Dr. Dwight McKenna	Coroner	Designee Present
Gilbert Montaña	Chief Administrator	Designee Present
Vice President Helena Moreno	City Council	Present
Chief Judge Tracey Flemings-Davillier	Criminal District Court	Designee Present
Commissioner Tenisha Stevens	Mayor’s Office	Present
Councilmember Oliver Thomas	City Council	Designee Present
Donesia Turner	City Attorney	Absent
Ms. Nikita White	State Office of Juvenile Justice	Present
District Attorney Jason Williams	District Attorney	Designee Present
Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick	NOPD	Designee Present
Ms. Thelma French	Total Community Action	Present
Ms. Elizabeth Boh	Chief Executive Officer	Present
Mr. Troy Glover	Citizen Representative-Reentry	Present
Mr. Raynard Sanders	Citizen Representative-Equity	Absent

Ms. Margaret Washington	Citizen Representative-Victims/Survivors	Present
Ms. Melissa Sawyer	Citizen Representative-Youth Advocacy	Present
Dr. Ron McClain	Citizen Representative-Mental Health	Absent

Ms. Thelma French welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged the special session going on in Baton Rouge.

III. Consideration & Approval of the Minutes from October 25th, 2023

Commissioner Stevens asked the councilmembers if there were any corrections to the minutes for the meeting of October 25, 2023. Corrections were needed and were made prior to the meeting; a motion was sought for the adoption of the minutes as written with corrections. Elizabeth Boh made a motion for the adoption of the minutes. The motion was seconded by Keith Lampkin and approved by voice vote.

IV. FY23 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Allocation - \$1,496,874

- CASA New Orleans – Joy Bruce
- Catholic Charities – Allison Tudle
- Children’s Bureau – Child Survivors – Dr. Berre Burch
- Children’s Bureau – Victim Assistance – Dr. Berre Burch
- Children’s Hospital CARE center – Victims Assistance – Director of specialty practice
- Covenant House – Melissa Tylor
- New Orleans Musician Clinic – No representative was present
- New Orleans Family Justice Alliance – Forensic Services – Corey Turner

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- Orleans Parish Criminal District Court - Joseph Gaines
- Orleans Parish District Attorney – Ollie Godwin
- Orleans Parish Juvenile Court – Brian Davis
- Orleans Parish Sheriff Office – Andrea Howard
- Sexual Trauma Awareness & Response (STAR) – Alix Tarnowsky
- Silence is Violence – Samya Clayton
- Southeast Louisiana Legal Services – Laura Tuggle
- Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training (VIET) – application was withdrawn.

Ms. Thelma French made the presentation from the Grants Committee. Ms. French explained how the decision was made for the recommended funding. The Subcommittee recommended not funding the following agencies Orleans Parish Juvenile Court, Orleans Parish Sherriff Office, Silence is violence and Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training (VIET). Adrienne Tobler gave an explanation on how the Subcommittee calculated the funding. Kate Hoadley went through the recommendations and how much was recommended for each agency. A motion was moved to defer the allocated funding for the New Orleans Musicians Assistance Foundation as recommended by the grant's subcommittee of \$61,603.89. There was a discussion amongst the members on how to move forward. A motion was made to accept the recommendation of the Subcommittee with the exclusion of the New Orleans Musicians Assistance Foundation by Elizabeth Bowe and seconded by Margret Washington. Commissioner Stevens opened the floor for public comment. Commissioner Stevens moved to voice vote from the committee. Motion was passed to allocate the VOCA funds according to the grant

subcommittee recommendation excluding the \$61,606 that was originally recommended to be allocated to the New Orleans Musicians Assistance Foundation. The allocation amounts are attached.

V. FY23 STOP Violence Against Women Allocation - \$118,502

New Orleans Police Department

New Orleans District Attorney's Office

The funding will be split between the New Orleans Police Department and New Orleans District Attorney's office evenly of \$59,256. There was a motion moved by Elizabeth Boh and second by Margaret Washington, there was a voice vote by Committee members.

VI. SKNOCJC Subcommittee Reports

Adrienne Tobler and Thelma French reintroduced the New Orleans Reentry Task Force.

VII. Councilmember Updates

No updates

VIII. Community Updates

No updates.

IX. Closing Remarks & Adjournment

Commissioner Tenisha Stevens requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Margaret Washington and seconded by Wesley Bishop.