

COMMISSION ON YOUTH

April 23, 2008
9:15 a.m.
House Room C

AGENDA

Attending: Senators Harry Blevins, R. Edward Houck and Yvonne Miller;
Delegates Mamye BaCote, Robert Brink, Mark Cole, William H. Fralin, Jr., and
Robert Tata; citizen members Glen Francis and Marvin Wagner

Absent: Citizen member Vanessa Cardenas

Staff Attending: Amy M. Atkinson, Joyce Garner, Cordell Hairston and Leah Hamaker

Agenda Items

I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Delegate William H. Fralin, Jr., Chair

Delegate Fralin called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. Delegate Fralin welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Commission's 2008 study year.

II. Approval of Commission on Youth 2008 Study Plans

Amy M. Atkinson, Executive Director

Presentation by Ms. Atkinson on the three Study Plans requiring Commission on Youth action.

- **ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION OPTIONS STUDY PLAN**

This plan continues the 2006-2007 study.

COMMISSION ACTION

Delegate Brink moved to approve the study plan. Approved unanimously by nine members present for vote.

- **TRUANCY AND SCHOOL DROPOUT PREVENTION STUDY PLAN**

This is a new two-year study initiated by House Bill 1263 (Hall, 2008), which was referred to the Commission on Youth by the House Education Committee for further study. Ms. Atkinson indicated that much of the study effort will be dedicated to in-depth interviews conducted with a range of affected parties.

Delegate Tata asked whether Petersburg Schools were included. Delegate Fralin requested Commission staff investigate the number of overage middle school students.

COMMISSION ACTION

Delegate BaCote moved to approve the study plan. Approved unanimously by nine members present for vote.

- **THE COLLECTION OF EVIDENCE-BASED TREATMENT MODALITIES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS, 4TH EDITION**

Delegate Fralin suggested adding examination of financial incentives to CSAs to use evidence-based practices.

COMMISSION ACTION

Senator Blevins moved to approve the study plan. Approved unanimously by nine members present for vote.

III. 2008 Activities in State Government

Ms. Atkinson

Brief discussion of 27-page document in member packet, which is developed by the Commission each year and updated for each meeting to provide members with current information on state activities related to youth and families.

IV. The Collection of Evidence-based Treatment Modalities for Children and Adolescents with Mental Health Needs

Leah Hamaker, Senior Legislative Policy Analyst

Informational presentation on the publication of the 3rd Edition of the Collection, which represents the 2nd biennial update, and the results of the Advisory Group's April 1 meeting and that Group's work toward the next update, which will be published in Fall 2009.

Delegate Fralin suggested professional society newsletters as a vehicle to aid in the dissemination of the Collection.

V. 2008 Meeting Calendar

Commission staff will poll members about their availability for 2008 meetings. Delegate Fralin requested that members complete the 2008 Study Year flyer to indicate to Commission staff the study group(s) on which they are available to serve.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:00.

Public comment was not received at this meeting.