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**Council for Equitable Youth Justice
Meeting Agenda**

August 4, 2026, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Public Location: Silver Lake, 20 State Park Beach Rd, Barnard, VT

09:30 - 10:00 Welcome and Opening Activity

10:00 – 10:15 Council Business

1. Vote and approve June 18 Minutes
2. Vote on [CJJ Youth Justice in Action Conference](#)
3. OJJDP FY26 Application Released
4. Adjourn for annual meeting

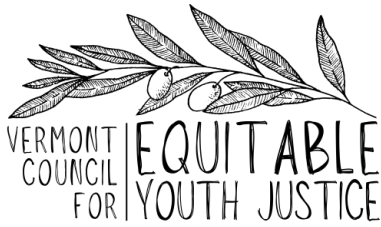
10:15- 11:00 Annual Meeting

1. Bylaws: Motion to approve the Bylaws amendment regarding officers. (Donn)
2. Annual Election of Officers (Mike)
 - i. Candidates' brief comments. All officer nominations are uncontested.
 - Chair
 - Vice Chair
 - Chair Elect
 - Secretary/Treasurer
 - ii. Call for the vote.
 - To elect "Karen Vastine" to a one-year term as Chair beginning Oct 1, 2026
 - To elect "Jessica Barquist" to a one-year term as Vice Chair beginning Oct 1, 2026
 - To elect "To be determine" to a one-year term as Chair Elect beginning Oct 1, 2026 and automatically assume the Council Chair position with a one-year term of office Oct 1, 2027
 - To elect "Donn Hutchins" to a one-year term as Secretary/Treasurer beginning on Oct 1, 2026.
3. Reminder 30 days after the election of officers the committees shall elect their chairs.
4. Council Structure
 - i. Recruitment and retention (Mike)
 - ii. Review survey results (Sheri)
 - iii. Committee engagement (Sparks)

11:00 – 11:15 Break

11:15 – 12:30 High End System of Care – Background (Hunter Hurst, NCJJ)

12:30 – 01:30 Potluck lunch and games



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01:30 – 03:00 High End System of Care- Identify three goals/priorities the council thinks are important to factor in the program

03:00- 03:30 Closing Activity and adjournment

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