

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

NOTES		DATE 4/23/15
ATTENDEES	<p><u>Voting Members</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Judge James Fleetwood <input type="checkbox"/> Judge Jennifer Jones <input type="checkbox"/> Judge John Kisner <input type="checkbox"/> Sheriff Jeff Easter <input type="checkbox"/> Interim Chief Nelson Mosely <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District Attorney Marc Bennet <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commissioner Tim Norton <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commissioner Dave Unruh <input type="checkbox"/> Marilyn Cook <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council Member Lavonta Williams <input type="checkbox"/> Sharon Dickgrafe <input type="checkbox"/> Bill Buchanan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Masterson <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Osburn <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marv Duncan <input type="checkbox"/> Mike Alumbaugh</p> <p><u>Ex Officio Members and Others in Attendance</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Judge William Woolley* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann Swegle* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Struble* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Scheck* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gail Villalovos* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Col. Richard Powell* <input type="checkbox"/> Jama Mitchell* <input type="checkbox"/> Capt. Scott Heimerman* <input type="checkbox"/> Ron Holt* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jan Jarman* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roger Taylor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Tim Rohrig <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janice Bradley <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dustin Wise <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Soliday <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lt. Clay Germany <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tammy Overbey <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sandra Flanders <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Powell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitch Kolf * Voting designee</p>	
LOCATION	Detention Facility, 2nd Floor Training Room	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	COMPLETION DATE
Prepare a report on how COMCARE services influence the work CJCC does	Marv Duncan, Jason Scheck	5/28/15
Request for the COMCARE presentation given to the BOCC be given to CJCC	Marv Duncan	5/28/15
Add continued learning item to agenda	Mitch Kolf	5/28/15
Invite Bill Gale and Wichita Children's home to discuss CJCC role in trafficking of children	Mitch Kolf and Marv Duncan	5/28/15

Discussion

Judge Fleetwood called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. The March 26, 2015 minutes were approved, with revisions to comments Sheriff Easter made about the jail not being a mental health treatment facility, however it does provide mental health care.
2. New Business
 - a. How juvenile intake and assessment works with Big Brothers Big Sisters (Mark Masterson)
 - i. P3 program is a referral source when they meet those requirements. It is up to the parent to follow through, the county doesn't make dedicated referrals. We talk about what makes sense for parents to do, and we track if they accept the referral or not and encourage them to follow through. We try to provide that kind of referral support.
 - ii. We have also talked about getting better information out about expungement, and how the P3 program can help juveniles complete requirements for this. Have helped



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them brainstorm ways to connect the program with juveniles who need it. The program can help people up to 24 years old.

- b. Population report
 - i. Judge Fleetwood made a comment on slide 8 (Pretrial Services), slide 11 (Mental Health), slide 14 (Drug Court), and slide 5 (work release). He wanted to note that it looked like there had been an increase in the use of these programs. This is a good thing, we had been trying to increase use, but there was still opportunity to use the programs more, particularly work release. So we need to push work release more, also to the city courts.
- 3. Old Business
 - a. None.
- 4. Other Business
 - a. Commissioner Norton made comments about continued learning.
 - i. Commissioner Norton and Unruh want to keep up to date on new evidence based practices.
 - ii. Judge Fleetwood emphasized the importance of the national organizations they are members of, and the information these organizations provide about what is going on across the nation. Others agreed that they keep up to date through their professional organizations.
 - iii. Commissioner Norton wanted to make sure we had system wide learning, and that what people learn about new evidence based practices was spread to everyone in CJCC so that we can keep growing and continue to reduce the ADP. He wants to get to a point where there is no out of county housing etc.
 - iv. Norton mentioned that he would be willing to attend conferences with members of the group, or have them brief the group about what they learn at events.
 - v. Judge Fleetwood mentioned that CJCC needs to adopt a process of centralizing new information so that the entire group can continue to learn. It was suggested an item be added to the agenda.
 - b. Discussion about human trafficking. Continuing off of Commissioner Norton's comment on continued learning, Mark Masterson gave an update on a conference he attended in Washington DC over commercial sexual exploitation of children.
 - i. There is a new federal law coming that will add new responsibilities for states. There will be a national summit in June around the new law.
 - ii. Marc Bennett mentioned that right now there is no dedicated system waiting for these children right now.
 - iii. Norton said that right now we just put them in Juvenile detention, maybe we need to provide a more comprehensive service focused on this.
 - iv. Norton questioned whether the group needed to have Bill Gale of DCF and Debbie from the Wichita Children's Home come and have a conversation with us about how CJCC fits in.
 - v. Bennett- The role CJCC plays is that every child that goes into the system for this, if they don't get out of the system, will likely end up in jail later.
 - vi. Mark Masterson has been meeting in a small group with people from the area who are talking about the new law and how they will apply it.
 - 1. He also mentioned we are good at identifying the problem, but struggle with the "then what".
 - vii. Jan Jarman mentioned the YWCA Project Butterfly and asked if they would fit into this conversation.



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- c. Commissioners Unruh asked the council if they would like to take a position on privatizing COMCARE, which the Board of County Commissioners is currently discussing. (Neutral, for, or against it)
- i. COMCARE is an important piece of managing criminal justice populations.
 - ii. Judge Fleetwood asked for more information on what the extend of the privatization will be? Will it be the whole entity or just some aspects.
 - iii. Marc Bennett, said that rather than take a position on an issue that may or may not get off the ground, maybe this body should just explain and give evidence as to how COMCARE currently influences CJCC related programs. Explain the role COMCARE has had with the trend line (of population), and how it helped decrease ADP and prevent doubling the size of our jail. Rather than saying yes/no, good/bad. Provide information, rather than just give an opinion. Explain why we have that opinion.
 - iv. Unruh- afraid that privatization will jeopardize cooperation and coordination.
 - v. Fleetwood- We have to identify talking points, lay out all the programs in COMCARE, and how they have affected the overall goals of CJCC.
 - vi. Mental health pod is an example of the cooperation.
 - vii. Marv Duncan- Recommends that the COMCARE presentation that was given to the BOCC be brought to CJCC.
 - viii. Norton- What is the percentage of people incarcerated who suffer from mental health issues. Bennett said it depends on the numbers. Jason Scheck had numbers from a WSU study.
 - ix. Fleetwood- We need to have something brought here that says “these are the things we do that add to our efforts to reduce the population”.
 - x. Marv Duncan was directed to coordinate this effort, have the subcommittee refine the conversation, and bring back a report next month.
 - xi. Discussion over concerns that privatization would result in people who have no payer source not receiving service, and then the Sheriff’s department having to foot the bill.
 - xii. Also concerns that COMCARE has a strong presence where they co-locate with county corrections and juvenile services, and will that go away with privatization?
 - xiii.

5. Public Comment

- a. Janice Bradley mentioned that the marijuana ballot initiative passed in Wichita. She was a member of the effort and said that the work CJCC does (with reducing population of the jail) influenced her work.
- b. Dan Soliday, CEO of Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters, gave some information on their P3 program.
 - i. He mentioned that P3 does help place kids in jobs, college, etc.
 - ii. The program helps with expungement and diversion, and they need CJCC’s help getting the word out so that they can get enrollment in the program up. If they do not get enrollment up they will lose \$300,000 to \$400,000 in funding.

Adjournment