Discussion

Judge Fleetwood called the meeting to order. A quorum was not present.

I. Approval of Minutes
   a. May 28, 2015- voting delayed. A quorum was present later in the meeting and the minutes were approved.

II. New Business
   a. Population Report
      i. No questions or comments.
   b. Regional Forensic Science Center - Dr. Rohrig
      i. Dr. Rohrig made a presentation about what the RFSC does and how the RFSC works with agencies involved in CJCC. Spoke about accreditation, the coroner, investigations, pathology, the laboratory, criminalistics, controlled substances, biology, DNA analysis, CODIS (DNA database), toxicology (ex: driving under the influence, and identifying the drug). The RFSC is very busy, they assist the District Attorney and the defense community.
      ii. Judge Fleetwood asked a question about if there is a backlog of processing DNA samples from courts. Dr. Rohrig said they are pretty caught up.
      iii. Commissioner Unruh asked if the RFSC only serves Sedgwick County. Dr. Rohrig said no, but other counties have to pay for our services. Any crime that occurs in Sedgwick County we work at no charge.
      iv. Marc Bennett spoke about post incarceration DNA tests that the RFSC works on.
v. Marilyn Cook said that COMCARE does look at autopsy reports when their clients die, and they appreciate the work they do.

c. COMCARE letter - Judge Fleetwood
   i. A letter was prepared and sent to the BoCC. Karen Powell assisted Judge Fleetwood, he signed it and sent it to the BoCC as the Chair. Commissioner Unruh said they received the letter and there has not been a discussion between commissioners yet. He appreciates the work done by CJCC in preparing the letter. The message that the system is working well is clearly received.
   ii. Marc Bennett - at the last BOCC meeting the Sheriff and I made clear statements that we support the current system of COMCARE.
   iii. Judge Fleetwood - The next step is to keep an eye on the RFP and then address it again. Marilyn - The RFP is in process and won’t be released until September.

d. Day Reporting Program - Marvin Duncan
   i. Marv Duncan presented on Day Reporting and how the County has been evaluating Day Reporting as an item to cut in recent budget talks. Most of the people served are from municipal courts, but paid by the county general fund.
   ii. Gail Villalovos from the City spoke about Day Reporting - The program has been very successful for the city, and she has a question about why the county doesn’t refer more cases to day reporting. Judge Fleetwood - it had been used more, but there had been some concerns about overflowing the day reporting center. That we were overwhelming the budget for it. DRC Staff - The capacity of Day Reporting is 105, currently only 81 in. We could let the judges know it’s under used. Gail - the people actually sent to Day Reporting are from Sedgwick County. Marc Bennett - if we don’t have Day Reporting those people might have to go to jail. Jan Jarman - there is also lots of overlap between city and county. Judge Jennifer Jones - it is used when people need a high level of supervision if they are a risk to reoffend, or have a probation violation. If they can’t make it in DRC, probation is revoked and they go to jail. If DRC is not available, the jail population will increase. Fleetwood - I get a report from the sheriff about bed space available for work release, does DRC generate a report on what the available bed space is? Day Reporting said they used to and we could if that is wanted. Fleetwood - does DRC take felonies? Yes they do, they require more supervision though.
   iii. Jason Scheck - Does the DRC provide addiction treatment? Yes they do. So if they don’t get it from the DRC they would have to get addiction treatment from someone else. 62 of the 81 in the DRC are in addiction treatment. Judge Jones - Domestic violence cases have a required assessment, we send them to the DRC if they can’t afford it.
   iv. Commissioner Unruh - I believe the DRC is an effective alternative, I am supportive of it. The bottom line for the BoCC is that it is a million dollars, and that some believe the city should pay for it because they use it more. That is what is pushing the discussion. Gail - It serves Sedgwick County citizens. Marc Bennett - We need to look at how it will effect county services if we get rid of the DRC. It will increase the amount of work and expenses in other areas. If we don’t have the DRC populations will increase in other programs and the jail. Maybe a conversation needs to take place between the city and the county. The BoCC needs the context.
   v. Commissioner Unruh - the major question for the BoCC is who pays for it.
   vi. Mark Masterson - The purpose of DRC was to mitigate recidivism. To those who successfully complete it the number of bookings decreases. That saves a lot of people’s time. The purpose of having all the treatment under one roof is so people can go to one place and get services. This doesn’t work if it is fragmented.
vii. Jason Scheck- Are there any employment services as part of DRC? Employee of DRC- There are some programs.

III. Old Business
   a. Mental Health 911 Calls- Kim Pennington
      i. Lavonta Williams had asked how many CIT 911 calls we receive. We do not have a solid answer for this because it is not tracked. The dispatchers were polled and they guessed about 10% of the time they can find a CIT officer when they need one. Don’t always know who is a CIT officer, and the CIT officers may be busy. WPD currently is training their officers in mental health first aid, so there will be more officers who have knowledge of mental health in the future.
      ii. Marc Bennett- so 10% of the time your officers are dispatching, but in the field they may be sending CIT officers themselves? Kim- 10% of the time when we need one they can find one.
      iii. Judge Fleetwood- I would comment that I have seen a CIT officer involved, and they were very effective. It was for a threatened suicide, and the CIT officer was very effective.
      iv. Kim Pennington- I can vouch for the CIT program, it does make a difference.
      v. Marilyn Cook- 47 more officers graduated from CIT training last week, so we are up to 390 in this community. It is an 8 hour class. They learn to identify, respond, and get people to the help they need. COMCARE offers the training and anyone can take it.

IV. Other Business
   a. Upcoming educational opportunities or information to share
      i. Nothing brought up.
   b. Jason Scheck- Osawatomie Hospital admissions are on hold. Everyone is placed on a waiting list. Via Cristi is serving as an alternative hospital. It could become a crisis if something happens.
      i. Marc Bennet- if not for COMCARE crisis intervention we would be way over a crisis.
   c. Jason Scheck- we have cut the amount of people we send to the hospital in half this year.
   d. Jason Scheck- This will have an impact on the criminal justice system if it doesn’t get fixed.

V. Public Comment
   a. Comment was made about how the Supreme Court upheld the federal market place in the Affordable Care Act. She wanted this body to support Medicaid expansion next year.