

Minutes
Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
October 25, 2012

Voting Members

- Judge James Fleetwood Judge Jennifer Jones Judge Warren Wilbert
 Sheriff Bob Hinshaw Chief Norman Williams District Attorney Nola Foulston
 Commissioner Karl Peterjohn Commissioner Dave Unruh
 City Councilmember Lavonta Williams Sharon Dickgrafe
 Bill Buchanan Mark Masterson Steve Osborn Marilyn Cook
 Chad VonAhnen Keith Thomas

Ex Officio Members and Others in Attendance

- Judge Clark Owens* Judge Ben Burgess* Mike Stover*
 Ann Swegle* Kerrie Platt* Jason Scheck* Col. Richard Powell
 Major Glenn Kurtz Chief John Daily Karen Powell Larry Bragg
 Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland Dr. Jodie Beeson Melinda Wilson
 Gail Villalovos Marv Duncan Sean Oakes Lorien Showalter
 Richard Vogt Roger Taylor Tom Struble Mary Kay Craig
 Paul Riedel Stephen Owens Chris Fisher John Todd
 Janice Bradley

* Voting designee

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Kerrie Platt moved and Commissioner Peterjohn seconded to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed.

New Business

Criminal Justice System Population Update

Lorien Showalter reviewed the September 2012 monthly population report. Judge Fleetwood asked if the members thought it was necessary to continue reading the population report each month since the numbers are available in advance and this time may be better used to discuss any concerns with the numbers. There were no objections from the members and it was decided that going forward members would review the numbers in advance so that discussion could be held at the meeting.

Review of Bylaws and Scope of CJCC

Judge Fleetwood discussed the mission and scope of the CJCC and whether the perspective of the CJCC should be broadened beyond just focusing on the jail population to considering other points in the criminal

justice system, for example the journal entry process that was worked on by the CJCC. Karen Powell noted that the group was set up by the BOCC and that the resolution that established the CJCC restricted it in its goals to some extent. Sheriff Hinshaw also looked at the resolution and the master plan from 2011 and said he believed that the journal entry was within the scope because cutting those times down did have a positive impact on the jail population. Sheriff Hinshaw also discussed that one of the goals was membership by position and that each member could appoint a designee and that there are some voting members that never are able to attend meetings and that it might be useful to reach out to them to appoint a designee so that all the voices of the criminal justice system would be at the table. Bill Buchanan stated that the numbers in the detention facility and out of county continued to be stabilized or going down and that what had been put in place so far seems to be working and it would make sense to think of what other roles the CJCC are while remaining vigilant about tending to the numbers.

John Todd asked about putting a member of the local legislative delegation as a member of the CJCC. Bill Buchanan noted that legislators had been successfully added to other advisory boards such as mental health and community corrections and that they had been very helpful on those boards. Karen Powell stated that adding a member would cause a change in the bylaws and the resolution establishing the CJCC. Commissioner Peterjohn suggested a local legislator that chairs the South Central Delegation to be the voting member or have a designee to represent them. Sheriff Hinshaw noted that if an additional voting member was added the quorum requirement would also go up but each voting member can have a voting designee. Other possible new members were discussed and a motion was made by Commissioner Peterjohn and seconded by Sheriff Hinshaw to let Judge Fleetwood review and draft something up so that it could be considered who might be most appropriate to become a new member of the CJCC and to present that to the group. The motion passed.

Chad VonAhnen discussed that the November meeting of the CJCC fell on Thanksgiving and the December meeting would fall two days after Christmas. It was decided that members would not want to cancel both of those meetings and that moving the meeting dates to November 29th and December 20th would allow for the group to continue meeting.

Review of CJCC Briefing Book Draft

Lorien Showalter presented a draft of a CJCC Briefing Book for new members that had recently joined the CJCC and for future members that will soon become a part of the CJCC to familiarize them with the history of the group and how it works. Members were asked to review the

contents and to give suggestions for what else should be included as well as to help check the accuracy of some of the documents that were previously created. The contents include the bylaws, a roster with contact information for voting members and designees, the CJCC Master Plan update and the Action Plan from the ILPP study. The finalized version will be available electronically and in paper form at the end of November and will also include the resolutions and an update on the work group statuses after the official work groups are named.

Systems Planning Subcommittee Report

Chad VonAhnen noted that the Systems Planning Subcommittee had identified which items belonged under the CJCC heading in the legislative platform. A list of current items that were identified as CJCC issues were the items related to the bonding process, the public defender, funding for community corrections adult residential centers and combining three jail issues into one paper about the jail population of state prisoners in county jails, dui laws and sending all felons to state prison. It had been decided to remove non-violent low-level offenders with underlying mental health needs from the platform because of the progress on the One-Stop-Shop.

Marilyn Cook discussed that they were looking for a better name for the One-Stop-Shop and that the sub-group continued to meet but that it was really not an off-shoot of the jail pod since it had come about because of the number of people being taken to the emergency room at Via Christi and the group that has been meeting has been chaired by NAMI. They have recently been working with Via Christi to find an alternative spot that includes a detox center as well as space for the crisis intervention center. Dr. Nancy McCarthy Snyder of WSU will be conducting a cost avoidance study to show how such a facility would be more efficient and effective. Via Christi staff does have a building at the Old Safeway building at Broadway and 11th Street and a meeting will be scheduled soon to discuss whether this would be a possibility.

Chad VonAhnen noted that the Systems Planning Subcommittee planned to bring the legislative platform to the CJCC in November to approve these items. The BOCC workshop for the legislative platform will be November 20th and legislators will be engaged on November 29th with a lunch hosted here at Sedgwick County.

Approval of Official CJCC Work Groups and Chairs

The official CJCC work groups had been discussed at the September meeting and it was decided that the Systems Planning Subcommittee, the Data Work Group and the Mental Health Subcommittee were the

only committees that were still active. Members decided to designate the chairs of these work groups for the record and that Chad VonAhnen was the chair of the Systems Planning Subcommittee, Richard Vogt was the chair of the Data Work Group and Marilyn Cook was the chair of the Mental Health Subcommittee. Commissioner Unruh moved and Commissioner Peterjohn seconded to recognize these as the official work groups and chairs of the CJCC. The motion passed.

Other

Jason Scheck discussed that he was working on a study of the jail population and that they had the records of who had been a COMCARE client and they were waiting for the records from ConMed to complete the study and that he would report to the full group when it was finished.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Lorien Showalter.