

**Community Corrections Advisory Board
Minutes – December 13, 2018**

Members Present: Ignacio Ayala, Michael Birzer, Deanna Carrithers, James Convey, Kenya Cox (by phone), Kelli Grant, Seth Rundle, Peter Shay, Mary San Martin, and Ann Swegle

Members Absent: Mark Orr, Troy Livingston, Judge Benjamin Burgess

Staff: Chris Collins-Thoman, Glenda Martens, Lori Gibbs, Sherdeill Breathett, Sr., Braxton Rasmussen, Molly Dowd

Guest: Bree Bopree

- I. **Introductions and Announcements – Introduction included Dr. Bopree, Assistant Professor from Wichita State University. Announcement that Judge James Fleetwood has appointed Kevin O’Connor to replace Judge Benjamin Burgess on the Advisory Board. This would have been Judge Burgess’s last meeting.**
- II. **Approval of Minutes from meeting October 11, 2018 (November meeting cancelled)**
A motion to approve the October minutes was made by Ann Swegle, seconded by Peter Shay and unanimously approved.
- III. **Proposed Schedule for 2019- The plan will be to stay with the second Thursday of the month for the meetings.**
- IV. **Nominations for positions for 2019-Nomination forms were available in packets. Members were requested to submit nominations to Chris Collins-Thoman. Chris will check with nominated parties and see if they are willing to serve. Voting will occur at the January 10, 2019 meeting.**
- V. **Program Updates**
 - **Field Services –Lori Gibbs**
 - Discussion of Jay’s research into the Batterer Intervention Program. We have 299 clients that have been convicted of some type of domestic violence charge and out of that 75 of those clients are currently in a BIP program so there is quite a gap. Jay is trying to figure out who would do the assessment since it does take an LSW certification.
 - Jay is going to be participating with the Sheriff’s Department Intelligence Committee. Purpose is to partner to improve communication and shared actionable intelligence on the “players” suspected of committing crimes in our community.
 - Medical Assisted Treatment (MAT) – There has been discussion at the DA office level. Work is moving forward to develop a plan for MAT.
 - Adult DOC programs participated in Operation Holiday-Community Corrections was their biggest contributor.

- **Residential – Lori Gibbs**

- The ADP for November was 61 compared to 55 last November. The funded capacity for the Center is 65.
- We are down 33% of corrections officers at Residential. There are 3 open positions for AISP. We are struggling to get a solid applicant pool. We are utilizing ISO's to relieve some of the corrections officers on the floor at Residential. Looking into adding some more part time positions.
- Lori passed out a handout with information on Level 1 referrals. Since we started taking on Level 1 referrals into Residential in October 2018, there were 90 and we accepted 81, which is a very high acceptance. Of the 81, 61 were admitted. Judges didn't allow the others to be admitted for various reasons. We had 25 successfully complete the program. The average is 75% for a Level 2/3.
- Family engagement-Met with United Way to brainstorm to see how we can involve the family with the Community Correction population. We are going to have community service work projects where offenders can bring their family to assemble Care Kits which include making stuffed animals that can be handed out by law enforcement in situations. There is planning to make tie blankets for homeless shelters. A book program is being implemented and a project will be to paint the crates for the books. We also met with Kansas Children's Service League to discuss parenting classes. They would come to Residential and Community Corrections to assist clients.
- Lori shared information about Family Halloween night and activities that occurred.

- **Work Release – Lori Gibbs**

- The ADP for November was 66. The funded capacity for the Center is 100.
- A meeting will occur with Koch Industries on January 11, 2019 to discuss second chance employment. It is a phone conference with Kurt Level who is the Deputy General Counselor for Labor and Employment.

VI. By-Laws – Current since 2009. Proposed Changes with Legal input have been presented previously. Any changes must be published ten days before they are voted on and approved. Changes were brought back to the board from the last meeting and with County legal review. There was additional discussion and questions raised. Chris to follow up with County legal for more input. Discussion included technology options.