



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Criminal Justice Council - Racial Disparities Subcommittee

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Tuesday, April 26, 2022

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## A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ozanne at 12:17 pm.

**Present** 5 - JOHN BAUMAN, RON CHANCE, ISMAEL OZANNE, WESLEY SPARKMAN, and PATRICK MILES  
**Excused** 4 - CATHERINE DORL, JONATHAN TRIGGS, MATT TYE, and MARIO WHITE

## B. Consideration of Minutes

A motion was made by SPARKMAN, seconded by BAUMAN that the minutes be approved, MILES abstained. The motion carried by voice vote.

[2021  
MIN-635](#)

Minutes of the 01/25/2022 CJC-Racial Disparities Subcommittee Meeting.

**Attachments:** [2021MIN-635](#)

## C. Action Items

## D. Presentations

## 1. COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER DISCUSSION ON TARGET POPULATION.

*Presentation regarding the intended target population for the community justice initiative. Staff provided a review of existing findings on target population from reports produced by the Center for Court Innovation needs assessment (2021) and the January Advisors report of diversion opportunities for low-level misdemeanants (2020) prepared for the Criminal Justice Council in Dane County. Discussion of most frequent charges in Dane County, which include disorderly conduct, larceny, and others. Determining associated offenses by same person requires additional research. Also need to consider the high utilizers of multiple systems when developing services. Racial disparities across charges; need to be responsive to these inequities.*

*Discussion of additional data needs. Discussion regarding retail justice, or a private diversion program provider for retail theft; unclear if implemented in Dane County. Discussion of national norms compared to the local and state level.*

*Importance of distinguishing standalone charges versus charges that occur alongside others. Low-level offenses, such as disorderly conduct or bail jumping, are often charged alongside other more serious charges. Discussion of referrals to Community Restorative Court and capacity.*

[2021  
PRES-230](#)

Presentation on Community Justice Initiative: Target Population

**Attachments:** [2021 PRES-230](#)

## 2. DEBRIEF ON CITIES & COUNTIES FOR FINE AND FEE JUSTICE (CLARK-BERNHARDT)

*Dane County team attended the Cities & Counties for Fine and Fee Justice boot camp on how to reduce or eliminate burdensome fines and fees that impact vulnerable populations. Dane County highlighted as a model for its juvenile detention fee eliminations. Discussion of other jurisdictions that act as national models on reducing or eliminating fees imposed on incarcerated populations for phone and video calls.*

*Discussion of next steps and new opportunities through this grant. Emphasis on opportunities to keep families connected through affordable communication during a parent's incarceration, which maintains ties to the community and is beneficial for all.*

*GTL is the third-party telecommunications vendor for the jail. Other jurisdictions with similar contracts with GTL have renegotiated contracts during renewal to support communication for families impacted by incarceration.*

[2022  
PRES-009](#)

Cities & Counties for Fines and Fees Justice Presentation

**Attachments:** [2022 PRES-009](#)

## E. Reports to Committee

1. Community Restorative Court Update (CRC STAFF).

*The CRC just hired a senior social worker and is in the process of hiring a bilingual clerk. The CRC has also implemented a new database to track cases. Working with the University of Wisconsin Law School Restorative Justice Project on how to make the program more victim-centered, and they are currently reviewing the report on how to do so. The CRC has higher numbers of cases than last year, and is on target for 400 cases this year. There will be two new trainings in the fall. Some fluidity in remote vs. in-person.*

2. UPDATE ON SOCIAL WORKERS IN PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE (DORL).

*DORL is excused, and therefore the presentation will be moved to the following meeting (in May).*

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

1. NEXT CJC-RACIAL DISPARITIES MEETING ON MAY 24, 2022 AT 12:15 P.M.

2. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

*Agenda items: 1) Update on Social Workers in Public Defender Office; 2) Highlight voices of people with lived experiences (potentially in addition to public comment)*

**G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**

*Public comment from Majid Allan.*

**H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

**I. Adjourn**

**A motion was made by SPARKMAN, seconded by MILES, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously at 1:37 pm.**

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*Minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending CJC-Racial Disparities Subcommittee approval.*