



# 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, January 25, 2022

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## A. Call To Order

Meeting called to order by Judge White at 12:21pm.  
Judge White left at 1:20 pm. Committee members votes to allow SPARKMAN to chair the rest of the meeting with no objection.

Others present: Isabel Anadon, Colleen Clark-Bernhardt, Lisa MacKinnon, Sarah Jensen, Stephanie Marino, Julie Ahern, Jackie Hammond, Brian Chaney Austin

## B. Consideration of Minutes

[2021](#) 12/07/21\_MINUTES FOR CJC-RACIAL DISPARITIES SUBCOMMITTEE  
[MIN-549](#) MEETING

Attachments: [2021MIN-549](#)

A motion was made by BAUMAN, seconded by TRIGGS, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

## C. Action Items

NONE

## D. Presentations

1. COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER INITIATIVE NEXT STEPS (CLARK-BERNHARDT)

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**Attachments:** [Planning Process for a Community Justice Center Jan2022](#)

*Overview of community justice initiative, and past and present commitment to this initiative. Examination of Center for Court Innovation (CCI) report. Next steps recommended by CCI include progress on the core planning team, consisting of multiple agencies, representatives from service providers, a resource coordinator, an initiative director, and court representatives if community court is co-located. CCI also recommended the creation of a community advisory board comprised of community members with lived experience to provide feedback and ideas to the core planning team. Open to discussion of next steps with CJC-RD subcommittee members regarding what subcommittee members find most important for advisory board and scope.*

*Discussion ensues. Subcommittee members discuss existing community boards/advisories that may have interested members in supporting this initiative. Discussion on the importance of defining scope, scale, and jurisdiction of recommendations. These advisory committees require a significant amount of "start-up" work and meetings, and ultimately decrease in frequency as the initiative becomes more established. Challenges of having a group without a dedicated coordinator to centralize and organize meetings and initiative; involving the resource coordinator could help. It is crucial that the target population of the community justice initiative's services is predetermined before the advisory board begins to ensure that the advisory board is demographically representative.*

- Justice Center planning process
- Formation of a Core Planning Team & Community Advisory Board based on suggestions from CCI report
- Justice Center Role Description

## 2. GOAL-SETTING ON REDUCTION OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISPARITIES (RED) (CLARK-BERNHARDT)

*Dane County has a long-standing commitment to reducing racial and ethnic disparities (RED). To move forward the County needs to continue to acknowledge racial disparities in our current systems, use data and research to identify highest disparity gaps, and use research to develop data-driven practices.*

*Dane County has data on arrest (for Madison and Five Cities Consortium), pretrial jail admissions (for the Dane County Jail), and general population demographics. The arrest dataset includes information about citations, arrests, and bookings. Past CJC research has used this dataset to examine the arrest decision point (2016). To move forward, stakeholders should expand on past analyses and work collectively with data specialists across departments.*

*Discussion ensues. Discussion of disparities by individual jurisdictions, and how this information can be used to geographically target a community justice center initiative. Interest in additional research on police interactions to examine the frequency of community calls for service compared to officer-initiated responses. Potential of examining juvenile arrests and data, although there are major barriers with data-sharing for youth justice systems. Discussion of data limitations about identifying Latino ethnicity in criminal justice; this is a national issue, and cannot be easily remedied at the county level.*

### E. Reports to Committee

#### 1. COMMUNITY RESTORATIVE COURT UPDATE (CRC STAFF)

*The CRC continues its hiring search for a supervisor, with an extended application closing date to encourage more applicants. Professor Scharrer at the UW-Madison Law School will conduct research with the CRC to determine how to make the program more supportive of victims with new intake, protocols, and resources. CRC is currently without a database, after there were issues and delays with the vendor adapting existing software. The CRC also compiled a cookbook created by peacemakers to share with community members.*

#### 2. UPDATE ON CURRENT OR UPCOMING OUTREACH TO PUBLIC ON "KNOW YOUR RIGHTS" AND EDUCATIONAL EFFORTS AROUND WHEN TO CALL LAW ENFORCEMENT, HOW TO RESPOND. (SPARKMAN)

*During the biannual "community academy," law enforcement hosts a "Know Your Rights" training and conversation. Considering how to partner with community organizations or schools. Important to have a discussion because it can be hard to simplify the information into a standalone document. Potentially disseminate information over social media to try to get more awareness. The Sheriff's Office has developed a pamphlet in English and in Spanish that can be incorporated.*

## F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

*Next meeting: February 22, 2022 at 12:15pm.*

*Potential future presentation/discussion:*

*- Dane County Reentry Coalition led by Dane County Sheriff's Office*

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

None.

## H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

## I. Adjourn

**A motion was made by BAUMAN, seconded by TRIGGS, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

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