



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Criminal Justice Council - Pre-Trial Services Subcommittee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

12:15 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for
instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by
phone.

A. Call To Order

Staff Present: Sarah Jensen and Isabel Anadon

The meeting was called to order by Chair McNamara at 12:17 p.m.

Ozanne joined at 12:43pm

Present 6 - COLLEEN CLARK-BERNHARDT, TROY ENGER, CARLO ESQUEDA, JEFF
KOSTELIC, NICK MCNAMARA, and ISMAEL OZANNE

Excused 2 - CATHERINE DORL, and KERRY PORTER

B. Consideration of Minutes

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PRE-TRIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE

Attachments: [2021 MIN-737](#)

[2.9.22 CJC PT Registrations](#)

A motion was made by KOSTELIC, seconded by CLARK-BERNHARDT, that the
Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

1. Peer Supports in Pretrial

Presented by Clark-Bernhardt and Esqueda

The County Board amended the budget to add \$20,000 for Peer Specialist providers in the new Pretrial Services Department. There are other jurisdictions nationally, like Pima County, that use peer support in this way. Interest in meeting with Pima County, its partners, and national experts to gain more information to implement. Judiciary would have a lot of interest in presentation on pretrial peer support. There is a strong peer support network in Wisconsin, and it would be helpful to meet with them to gain more information.

2. Autonomy of Pretrial Services

Subcommittee members discuss concerns about people who are not connected to the criminal justice system trying to obtain information from Pretrial Services staff about people who are on pretrial release. Law enforcement sometimes requests information about GPS monitors regarding ongoing investigations, which is typically granted. However, there are also people who are not connected to the criminal justice system, including victims and others, who request information about the defendant's whereabouts for personal reasons, which poses a lot of potential issues. There is discussion as to whether this is public record (and to what extent), how accessible it is, and whether it's at the Court's discretion and jurisdiction on how to proceed. The change from Pretrial Services from being part of the Clerk of Courts office compared to its own department may also impact this. This topic will need to be discussed in greater detail among the judges. Judiciary determine pretrial supervision conditions, and therefore this should be an issue for the judiciary rather than Pretrial Services.

3. APPR Application

Presented by Clark-Bernhardt

Isabel Anadon, CJC Policy and Evaluation Analyst, is currently working on the application. Need to determine what areas of support are of the most interest to the CJC-Pretrial Services subcommittee. The list of different research areas, as provided by APPR, are attached in the PowerPoint. Discussion on what topics would be the most useful to pursue technical assistance in. Discussion ensues regarding the importance of all topics. Particular interest in public accessibility and understanding of pretrial data and process. Additional interest in communications strategy and performance metrics and evaluation. Brief discussion of how this work can be connected to existing PSA analysis with Access to Justice Lab (A2J) at Harvard Law School.

4. PSA Application Update

Presented by Esqueda

Follow-up to the discussion of the PSA Scoring application that could be used to automate the PSA scoring process. Dane County IT has limited capacity to implement, but there will have more opportunities to do so when the CJC Data Analyst is hired and onboarded.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next CJC-PT meeting will be on Wednesday, June 8th.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

Discussion of adding the Director of Pretrial Services to the CJC-PT subcommittee once they are hired. It may need a motion from the full CJC.

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by ENGER, seconded by ESQUEDA, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending subcommittee approval