



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Community 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 14, 2026

12:15 PM

Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at the City  
County Building in Room 357; attend virtually  
via Zoom.

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via Zoom.**

**Staff: Colleen Clark Bernhardt, Shar-Ron Buie, Jael Currie, Emelia Currin**

- Present** 9 - WESLEY SPARKMAN, FABIOLA HAMDAN, PETER MIDDLETON, MATTHEW NORDQUIST, DENNIS FRANKLIN, TA'HIRY TIPTON, ANDRE JOHNSON, EDJRON PEARSON, and SIGNE MBAINAI
- Excused** 1 - JONATHAN TRIGGS
- Absent** 2 - ISMAEL OZANNE, and CHAD KEMP

#### A. Call To Order

Meeting called to order by at 12:17 pm.  
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#### B. Consideration of Minutes

Moved by Sparkman, seconded by Middleton. Minutes approved unanimously  
Mbainai

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MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 10TH, 2026 COMMUNITY JUSTICE COUNCIL  
RACIAL DISPARITIES SUBCOMMITTEE

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### C. Action Items

The Community Justice Council Executive Committee has requested that the Community Justice Council Racial Disparities Subcommittee consider addressing efforts on the reentry and reintegration components of the Community Justice Council Strategic Plan.

Chair Mbainai moved to postpone the scheduled action item until after the presentation. There was no objection, and the agenda was adjusted accordingly

Following discussion, a motion was made by Middleton and seconded by Sparkman for the subcommittee to formally focus on the reentry and reintegration aspects of the Community Justice Council Strategic Plan. The motion was adopted at 1:08 PM

Pearson made a motion, which was seconded by Hamdan to contact the Council of State Governments to obtain additional information regarding a potential partnership and to explore any associated costs. This motion was made at 1:09 PM.

### D. Presentations

Director Colleen Clark-Bernhardt provided framing for the request by the Community Justice Council Executive Committee. She conveyed that the Community Justice Council Executive Committee has requested that the Community Justice Council Racial Disparities Subcommittee focus some effort on the reentry and reintegration components of the CJC Strategic Plan, and why this work may be suited to the Community Justice Council Racial Disparities Subcommittee

Valerie Carpico and Jesse Kelley of the Council of State Governments delivered a presentation on the Council of State Governments Reentry 2030 initiative. The presenters explained how this initiative may be used to address issues related to reentry and reintegration in Dane County

**Reentry 2030: A Framework for Cities and Counties, Building Safer, Stronger Communities Through Reentry 2030.**

Presented by Valerie Carpico, Jesse Kelley and Susan Gottesfeld as presenters, Council of State Governments Justice Center.

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**Attachments:** [041426 Reentry 2030 OVERVIEW DANE COUNTY](#)

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[PRES-304](#)

**Attachments:** [Local Reentry 2030 Overview](#)

**E. Reports to Committee**

None

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

Future Agenda Items

a. Youth Justice Presentation

a. The next meeting will be on June 9, 2026 at 12:15 pm in a hybrid format

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

None

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

None

**I. Adjourn**

Moved to adjourn by Sparkman, seconded by Middleton. Meeting adjourned at  
1:08 pm.  
Mbainai

Minutes respectfully submitted by Shar-Ron Buie of the Office of Justice reform