



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?

Tuesday, June 9, 2026

12:15 PM City County Building 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Room 354

See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public testimony

Staff: Colleen Clark Bernhardt, Shar-Ron Buie, Tamarine Cornelius, Jael Currie, Delia Young

Present 9 - ISMAEL OZANNE, WESLEY SPARKMAN, FABIOLA HAMDAN, PETER MIDDLETON, TA'HIRY TIPTON, ANDRE JOHNSON, SARAH KRAHN, EDJRON PEARSON, and SIGNE MBAINAI

Excused 3 - JONATHAN TRIGGS, MATTHEW NORDQUIST, and DENNIS FRANKLIN

Absent 1 - CHAD KEMP

A. Call To Order

Meeting called to order by at 12:16 pm.
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B. Consideration of Minutes

Moved by Ozanne, seconded by Johnson. Minutes approved unanimously
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C. Action Items

None

D. Presentations

A presentation of the attached slides on youth justice, with emphasis on racial disparities of youth in the system. Discussion ensued regarding:

Employment services for youth
MOUs with local governments law enforcement regarding referrals for restorative justice, and a new pathway for referrals that do not involve law enforcement
Involvement of youths' family in the intake process
Extent to which victim input affects the justice process
Reasons for the low rate of involvement of Hispanic youth in the justice process
Efforts to intervene before youth are involved in the justice system

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Youth Justice and Prevention Presented by Andre Johnson and Ariel Barak, Dane County Department of Human Services

E. Reports to Committee

Colleen Clark-Bernhardt, Director of the Office of Justice Reform, provided an update on a collaboration with the Council on State Governments in identifying potential federal grant opportunities. At this point the search continues for opportunities that fit with Dane County priorities.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be on August 11, 2026 at 12:15 pm in a hybrid format

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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 Pearson, seconded by Hamdan. Meeting Adjourned at 1:29 pm.

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