



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Criminal Justice Council

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Thursday, July 28, 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: Colleen Clark-Bernhardt, Lindsay Menard, Sarah Jensen, Isabel Anadon, Tamarine Cornelius

Meeting called to order by ESQUEDA at 12:29pm.

Jeff Heil attending on behalf of Sheriff Barrett.

Advisory Members Present: Richelle Andrae, Catherine Dorl, John Patterson

Advisory Members Excused: Troy Enger, Todd Meurer, Brent Plisch, Satya Rhodes-Conway

Others Present: Judge Remington

Present 4 - VALERIE BAILEY-RIHN, CARLO ESQUEDA, ISMAEL OZANNE, and PATRICK MILES

Excused 1 - JOE PARISI

B. Consideration of Minutes

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Consideration of the June minutes will be moved to the August meeting.

C. Action Items

None

D. Presentations

1. JFA Institute Response to 2021 RES-320

Presented by Jim Austin, JFA Institute

Presentation regarding background of ongoing partnership with JFA, which began in 2019. The current contract is through 2021 RES-320 regarding the jail consolidation project.

JFA Institute provides a review of the jail population from 2018 to 2021 (before and during COVID). Crime rate is approximately the same currently, but there is some concern that inflation will increase the crime rate. Relationship between arrests and bookings is unclear in 2021, as arrests remained consistent but bookings rose. Future analysis needed. Huber, Probation and Parole holds, and Federal contracts are areas to look towards reducing jail population.

Review of the Dane County Jail incarceration rate by race and ethnicity against the national rates. 1.4% of the Black population in Dane County is incarcerated at any given time. If the Black incarceration rate dropped to the national average rate, the number of beds needed would be 200 fewer. Incarceration of Black people is the driver of the jail population. Review of October 2021 recommendations (see attachment).

Discussion ensues regarding Probation and Parole holds and whether people are held on other, additional charges. Discussion about jail population review team, their authority in assessing opportunities for release, and opportunities for collaboration. Discussion about a three-year pilot to replace Huber with electronic monitoring in the community. Discussion about housing youth and minors. Discussion of federal cost and funds of the existing contract between Dane County and the federal legal system. Additional research needed on determining whether MPD arrests refers to custodial or citations.

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JFA PRESENTATION

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2. Familiar Faces Initiative

Presented by Colleen Clark-Bernhardt

Dane County was accepted to the National Association of Counties (NACo) Familiar Faces Initiative. This initiative supports people with mental health and substance use conditions who are cycling through criminal legal and healthcare symptoms, such as jail, law enforcement, and emergency rooms. Joining the national initiative will provide an opportunity to increase support for people with mental health conditions.

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FAMILIAR FACES NETWORK

Attachments: [2022 PRES-084](#)

E. Reports to Committee

None

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

*Next meeting: August 25th at 12:15pm
Agenda items: Huber changes and pilot initiative*

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

Notice about upcoming "Gift Cards for Guns" event from Capt. Tetzlaff of DCSO. This event will encourage people to surrender firearms to reduce gun violence. DCSO is working with community partners and organizations to encourage community members to surrender guns.

Introduction of Tamarine Cornelius, new CJC Research Analyst.

Introduction of Judge Remington, the new Presiding Circuit Court Judge. He will co-attend future meetings with Judge Hyland of the criminal division.

I. Adjourn

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

Meeting adjourned at 1:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending council approval