



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Community 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 19, 2023

12:15 PM

Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at the City County Building in Room 354; attend virtually via Zoom.

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

A. Call To Order

Meeting called to order by McNamara at 12:18pm.

Present 7 - COLLEEN CLARK-BERNHARDT, TROY ENGER, JEFF KOSTELIC, NICK MCNAMARA, ISMAEL OZANNE, RHONDA FRANK-LORON, and JAN TETZLAFF

Excused 2 - CATHERINE DORL, and CARLO ESQUEDA

B. Consideration of Minutes

A motion was made by Frank-Loron to approve the minutes. Clark-Bernhardt seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

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MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 8, 2023 COMMUNITY JUSTICE COUNCIL - PRETRIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Attachments: [FEB. 8, 2023 COMMUNITY JUSTICE COUNCIL - PRETRIAL SERVICES MINUTES](#)
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C. Action Items

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

1. State of Wisconsin Referenda on Cash Bail

The cash bail referendum recently passed in the April election. The cash bail provision allows for extra discretion. It is permissive in how it is interpreted by judges. It is currently challenging to determine what the impact will be because it is so recent. There will be an internal conversation among Dane County judges to determine its impact from a legal perspective; however, there is no specific plan at this time. There needs to be improved communication in the broader community about pretrial process, cash bail, and hindsight bias. Ongoing discussion will determine what is a serious crime. Discussion of preventative detention.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN REFERENDA ON CASH BAIL

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2. New Action in Pretrial Services

Review of presentation and recent data. Discussion of pretrial conditions, use, and cost. Review and discussion of new Pretrial Services Department website. Discussion of recent presentation by the Advancing Pretrial Policy & Research (APPR) to Dane County judges and court commissioners. Discussion regarding peer support in pretrial services, and opportunities to learn from and seek recommendations from local nonprofits. Discussion regarding the difference between a Release Condition Matrix (RCM) and Decision-Making Framework (DMF) in a state continuing to have cash bail. Discussion of reasons for non-appearance/failure to appear pretrial; intentionality of missing court proceeding.

Website: <https://pretrial-services.countyofdane.com/>

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NEW ACTION IN PRETRIAL SERVICES

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F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 31st at 12:15pm.

Future Meeting Items:

- Introduction of new subcommittee members
- MDRC Presentation

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Public Comment by Shar-Ron Buie

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

I. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Tetzlaff, seconded by Ozanne. Meeting adjourned at 1:21pm.

Present 9 - COLLEEN CLARK-BERNHARDT, CATHERINE DORL, TROY ENGER, CARLO ESQUEDA, JEFF KOSTELIC, NICK MCNAMARA, ISMAEL OZANNE, RHONDA FRANK-LORON, and JAN TETZLAFF