



# 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?*

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Thursday, December 12, 2019

12:15 PM

City-County Building, Room 351

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#### A. Call To Order

*Judge McNamara attending for Judge Bailey-Rihn*

*Jeff Kostelic attending for County Executive Parisi*

*Advisory members present: Chapin, Dorl, McLay, Patterson*

*Advisory members absent: Enger, McCarville, Meurer*

*Staff present: Clark-Bernhardt, Reyes, Anadon, Jensen*

**The meeting was called to order by DA Ozanne at 12:17 pm**

**Present** 2 - CARLO ESQUEDA, and ISMAEL OZANNE

**Excused** 2 - Supervisor SHARON CORRIGAN, and DAVE MAHONEY

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#)  
[MIN-353](#)

Minutes of the 10/24/19 Criminal Justice Council Meeting

A motion was made by ESQUEDA, seconded by OZANNE, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

#### C. Action Items

#### D. Presentations

## Dane County Pretrial Changes: 2014-2019

*Presented by: Clark-Bernhardt, with additional comments from Esqueda and McNamara*

*Presentation provides a historic overview of the Pretrial Services subcommittee, which began in 2014. The pretrial services program began in 2015, and the Public Safety Assessment (PSA) study with Access to Justice Lab through Arnold Ventures started in 2017.*

*Discussion among council members occurred about the balance between public safety and the presumption of innocence. Further information about the rate of failure to appear among different pretrial populations is needed because there are a wide variety of reasons that someone might not appear to a court date (including transportation). Potential for analysis based on failure to appear by zip code. Further discussion about the potential for court date reminder texts, which is currently a voluntary program that people can opt into. Council members also discussed the potential to make referrals and recommendations about treatment programs and specialized courts, but this would be outside of the scope of the PSA.*

*See attached presentation.*

[2019  
PRES-121](#)

Dane County Pretrial Changes: 2014-2019

**Attachments:** [2019 PRES-121](#)

[2019  
PRES-123](#)

3rd Quarter Report to the Pretrial Subcommittee: In Custody Public Safety Assessment (PSA)

**Attachments:** [2019 PRES-123](#)

## PSA and Dane County: Access to Justice Lab (Harvard University) Presentation

*Presented by: Harvard A2J -- Jim Greiner, Matthew Stutenberg*

*Presentation on the Public Safety Assessment (PSA), how it is used and calculated, and how the randomized control trial works in Dane County.*

*Discussion about how the length of case and regularity of court appearance impacts failure to appear. Further conversation regarding differing levels of supervision between court appearances also occurred.*

*See attached presentation.*

[2019  
PRES-122](#)

PSA and Dane County: Access to Justice Lab (Harvard University) Presentation

**Attachments:** [2019 PRES-122](#)

Arrest Report

*Presentation moved to 1/23/2020 meeting*

**E. Reports to Committee**

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*Next meeting: January 23, 2020*

*Future agenda items:*

*-Arrest Report*

*-January Advisors*

*February 27th, 2020*

*Future agenda items:*

*-Behavioral Health Subcommittee updates*

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

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

**I. Adjourn**

A motion was made by MCNAMARA, seconded by ESQUEDA, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending committee approval.