



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Criminal 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?*

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Wednesday, April 7, 2021

12:15 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for  
instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by  
phone.

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#### A. Call To Order

*Staff: Sarah Jensen, Isabel Anadon, Julie Beyler, Noemi Reyes*

The meeting was called to order by Chair McNamara at 12:18 pm

Esqueda left at 12:45 pm

**Present** 7 - COLLEEN CLARK-BERNHARDT, CATHERINE DORL, TROY ENGER, CARLO  
ESQUEDA, JEFF KOSTELIC, NICK MCNAMARA, and ISMAEL OZANNE

**Excused** 1 - KERRY PORTER

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2020  
MIN-547](#) MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 24, 2021 CJC PRE-TRIAL SERVICES  
SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

**Attachments:** [2020 MIN-547](#)

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

#### C. Action Items

None

#### D. Presentations

## 1. Summary of CJC-Behavioral Health Subcommittee Presentation Regarding Pretrial Services

*Presented by Julie Beyler*

*Staff provided an overview of the attached report. Staff noted the use of the Public Safety Assessment (PSA) and how it has aided in decision making. Pretrial Services aims to help defendants end the program in a better position than when they started, particularly in the context of underlying issues. One of the biggest issues clients faces is being unhoused which makes behavioral health concerns more challenging to manage. Pretrial Services cannot impose treatment, staff can only suggest it and offer support. Insurance barriers continue to be a challenge.*

*Discussion ensued regarding the technical platform of the automated text messaging system. Subcommittee members also discussed implementing Peer Support Services throughout Pretrial Services. Discussion of the frequency and use of drug testing during COVID also occurred.*

[2020  
RPT-838](#)

SUMMARY OF A CONVERSATION WITH A LEAD SOCIAL WORKER IN  
PRETRIAL SUPERVISION, JULIE BEYLER

**Attachments:** [2020 RPT-838](#)

## 2. PSA Quarterly Report – Feedback on Report Structure

*Presented by Anadon*

*Subcommittee members discussed the structure of quarterly Public Safety Assessment (PSA) reports. Feedback on how to move forward and what variables to consider, including differences in judicial decision-making compared to PSA recommendation. Interest in examining data before versus during the COVID-19 pandemic to determine who is incarcerated and how their PSA assessments differ. Interest in examining long-term effects of COVID-19 on future nonappearance variables due to the impact of remote hearings during the pandemic. The data will be shared in an online format in the future.*

## 3. 2020 RES-177 Initial Analysis Feedback

*Presented by Reyes and Clark-Bernhardt*

*Staff provided an overview of the upcoming presentation to the Public Protection and Judiciary Committee on cash bail. The same presentation was shared with the Criminal Justice Council (CJC) at its March meeting. The analysis looks at trends on the individual level and can be used to understand the pretrial justice system.*

[2020  
RES-177](#) REVIEW OF POPULATION ASSESSED CASH BAIL IN DANE COUNTY  
CIRCUIT COURT

**Sponsors:** BAYRD, McCARVILLE, CHAWLA, ANDRAE, AUDET, DeGARMO, EICHER,  
ERICKSON, HAASL, HATCHER, JOERS, KRAUSE, RATCLIFF, RITT,  
SCHWELLENBACH, SMITH, STUBBS, VELDRAN and KIEFER

**Attachments:** [2020 RES-177](#)  
[2020 RES-177 SIGNED COPY](#)

[2021  
PRES-007](#) DANE COUNTY FRONT END JUSTICE DATA MODEL

**Attachments:** [2021 PRES-007](#)

#### 4. Future Pretrial Trainings

*Presented by Clark-Bernhardt*

*Through partnerships with national leaders, Dane County may consider the decision-making and pretrial release conditions framework. There are resources from other jurisdictions for different stakeholders in the criminal justice system. This could be a result of the partnership with MDRC.*

#### E. Reports to Committee

*None*

#### F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

*June 16th at 12:15pm*

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

*None*

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

*None*

#### I. Adjourn

A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by CLARK-BERNHARDT, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending subcommittee approval