



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Criminal Justice Council

Thursday, March 26, 2015

12:15 PM

CCB Room 351

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A. Call To Order

Parisi called the meeting to order at 12:15 PM.

Present 6 - SHARON CORRIGAN, JOE PARISI, DAVE MAHONEY, JUAN COLAS, CARLO ESQUEDA, and ISMAEL OZANNE

Advisory Members present: Anhalt, Watson, Sue Williams for Koval, Rusk.

Others present: Hook, Meurer, Richardson, Grigsby, Clark, Thurlow

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

There was no public comment on items not on the agenda.

C. Consideration of Minutes

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2015 MEETING

A motion was made by COLAS, seconded by ESQUEDA, that the minutes be approved with the following amendment: Mahoney was not present at the February meeting; and Jeff Hook was present in his place. The motion carried by a voice vote.

D. Action Items

There were no action items.

E. Presentations

There were no presentations.

F. Reports to Committee

1. CJC Structure and Membership

Clark reported on the history of CJC membership. Corrigan suggested the Department of Corrections be added as an advisory member; Colas suggested that the presiding judge of the municipal judges for District 5 also be added as an advisory member. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Colas/Corrigan that the CJC requests the County Board to amend the composition of the Criminal Justice Council to add the following two advisory members: a designee of the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, to be appointed by the Secretary of the Department of Corrections, and a Dane County municipal judge to be appointed by the presiding municipal judge of District 5. Motion carried, 6-0.

Discussion ensued regarding the potential for a Mental Health subcommittee of the CJC.

2. Pretrial Reform Subcommittee Update

Gail Richardson addressed the CJC regarding the work of the Pretrial Reform Subcommittee. She spoke of a group called TASC, an Illinois-based group offering to work in Dane County to coordinate Affordable Care Act with Badger Care and Medicaid for those in the criminal justice system. Volunteers would work in space in the courthouse to help people sign up for the ACA. TASC is funded in part by the Public Welfare Foundation.

Discussion ensued. The Pretrial Subcommittee will review how the TASC initiative might work with the Arnold Foundation. Clark will ask the Corporation Counsel to review the draft memorandum of understanding and will touch base with Lynn Green.

3. Report on Grant Opportunities

Clark reported on a number of grant applications underway including:

- 1) Juvenile Justice Disproportionate Minority Contact: \$30,000 from the state to work on implicit bias training for local law enforcement.*
- 2) Department of Labor Re-entry grant for inmates about to be released.*
- 3) Justice Reinvestment Initiative - the state has made application to the federal government with Milwaukee, Racine, and Dane counties to fund a pretrial coordinator, a data assistant, and capacity building for service providers of color.*
- 4) The Arnold Foundation, with evaluation from Harvard: The Foundation would provide a pretrial services assessment tool and initial appearance training.*
- 5) Code for America: Applications development professionals would assist the criminal justice system on projects such as a jail population assessment system, or an interactive web page for victims and offenders. Richardson suggested that the state data team might be able to help fund this effort because a match is required.*
- 6) The MacArthur Foundation: The grant requests data analysis and a community engagement process.*

Many of these grant applications are due at the end of March with notification in May.

G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be April 23 at 12:15.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

Anhalt mentioned a community conversation that the Sun Prairie Police Department had organized to allow an open and honest dialogue about race to build relationships among the community, school, and the police.

I. Adjourn

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

Minutes respectfully submitted by Karin Thurlow, subject to council approval.