



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Commission on Sensitive Crimes

*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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Tuesday, November 19, 2019

8:30 AM

NIP, 1227 N Sherman Ave, Madison Room 101

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#### A. Call To Order

- Present** 10 - SHANNON BARRY, AMY BROWN, Chair HEATHER CROWLEY, BETH FREEMAN, SHARYL KATO, JAN MIYASAKI, KERRY PORTER, KAT RILEY, ERIN THORNLEY-PARISI, and Supervisor HAYLEY YOUNG
- Absent** 2 - Supervisor MAUREEN McCARVILLE, and BARBARA MCKINNEY

Others present: Amy Scarr, Nate Reynolds, Carrie Pomije, Shawn Tessmann, Joe Parisi, Faye Zeml, Jeff Kostelic, Julie Foley

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#) 2019\_1022 Commission on Sensitive Crimes Minutes  
[MIN-292](#)

**Attachments:** [2019\\_1022 COSC Minutes](#)

**A motion was made by BARRY, seconded by THORNLEY-PARISI, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

- Ayes:** 8 - BARRY, BROWN, CROWLEY, FREEMAN, KATO, MIYASAKI, THORNLEY-PARISI and YOUNG
- Absent:** 2 - McCARVILLE and MCKINNEY
- Abstain:** 2 - PORTER and RILEY

#### C. Action Items

#### D. Presentations

## 1. Budget Discussion with County Executive Parisi and DCDHS Director Tessmann

*County Executive Parisi discussed the additional funding in the budget for sex trafficking with a Project Respect position, legal assistance for DAIS, RCC direct services, mental health initiatives, CJ Tubbs fund, a universal access call center for mental health, two full time mental health providers to work with senior centers, trauma informed training for staff and volunteers at community centers, training for first responders, affordable housing fund created to partner with projects. He also highlighted a focus of resources in eviction prevention and the creation of the Division of Housing and Homelessness. Director Tessmann discussed the Human Services Department's five year strategic plan development process which includes engaging staff, community and clients to drive decision making. One of the goals is workforce retention and a recruitment tool. She also reviewed the planned CYF division split creating the new Prevention and Early Intervention Division. She also noted that a new immigration social worker is added.*

## E. Reports to Committee

### 1. Announcements/Legislative Update:

- The Media breakfast will be discussed more in January.
- Mission, vision and goals for the Commission should be developed.
- Barry reported that Governor Evers is signing AB 52 today relating to a minor contracting for admission to a shelter facility or transitional living program.
- Brown reported that the County Board added two positions in the victim witness unit – juvenile delinquency crimes and victim witness case manager devoted to restorative justice in the formal system.
- Young reported that the County Board finished the budget process.
- Porter reported that DCSO implemented the lethality assessment for first responding deputies to complete. Supervisors will review assessment scores.

### 2. CCR Updates:

- Child Abuse & Neglect: Kato noted that the Trauma Summit with the theme of resiliency was well attended and awesome. The Child Abuse Task Force is meeting November 25 and will have a presentation from Catholic Charities. The Child Abuse Steering Committee meets December 3.
- Intellectual Disabilities: Pomije reported the CCR meets today and a therapist will be presenting on non-traditional therapy and resources. The Legal Issues Subcommittee resource ring is being turned into a phone app.
- Domestic Violence: NA
- Elder Abuse: Scarr reported on the success of the Domestic Violence in Later Life Conference. They had a presentation from CCS last month at the CCR meet. The FAST meeting is on Thursday with a BBB presentation on the top 10 scams targeting older adults.
- Sexual Assault: Thornley-Parisi talked about the service model change at RCC. Miyasaki noted that the CSEC meets tomorrow with a presentation from Safe Harbor and services for aging out foster kids.

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*Next meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2020, 8:30 a.m., ADRC, 2665 N Sherman Ave,  
Madison, Room 109*

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

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

**I. Adjourn**

*10:06 a.m.*

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Dawn MacFarlane pending Commission approval.*