



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?

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.