

M I N U T E S

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2018
PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION**

McEaddy Conference Room
12th Floor, 301 N. Olive Avenue
West Palm Beach

Members Present:

Barbara Cheives
William Dames
Douglas Duncan
George Elmore
Justin Fleck
Carey Haughwout
Joseph Ianno, Jr.
Keith James
Randolph Johnson, Sr.
Kevin Jones
Dave Kerner
James Martz
Krista Marx
Sarah Mooney
Gerald Richman
Stephen Stepp
Lee Waring
Erica Whitfield

Members Absent:

Dave Aronberg
Sharon Bock
Ric Bradshaw
Sheldon Burkett
Ellen Cohen
Rachel Docekal
Kimber Heddon
Al Jacquet
Nellie King
Barry Krischer
Frank Mercurio
Christina Morrison
Robert Shirley
Greg Starling

Guests Attending:

Michael Gauger, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
Louis Tomeo, Clerk & Comptroller's Office
Liana Figueroa, Clerk & Comptroller's Office
Debra Oats, Court Administration
Jennifer Loyless, Public Defender's Office
Mike Edmondson, State Attorney's Office
Angela Bess, PBC School District
Faye Johnson, PBC Assistant County Administrator
Arlene Griffiths, PBC Public Safety Department, Reentry Program
Jonathan Gerber, Chief Judge, Fourth District Court of Appeals
Cassandra Atkin-Plunk, Florida Atlantic University
Vaughn Crichlow, Florida Atlantic University
Dave Talley, PBC Career Source
Dave Bernhardt, BOCC District 3
Dana Herst, City of West Palm Beach Attorney's Office

Staff Present:

Kristina Henson, Executive Director
Danny Kreshak, Financial Analyst
Damir Kukec, Manager, Research and Planning
Althea Mones, Temporary Clerical Staff
Rosalind Murray, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst
Allison Orr, Administrative Assistant
Katherine Shover, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst

- I. Chairman Richman called the meeting to order and extended a welcome to members and guests.
- II. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.
- III. Chair Richman invited guests to introduce themselves.
- IV. The agenda for the November 26, 2018 meeting was unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. George Elmore and a second by Mr. Randy Johnson.
- V. The Minutes of the October 22, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Lee Waring and a second by Mr. George Elmore.

VI. Chairman's Comments:

- A. Chair Richman announced two new CJC members: Justin Fleck, Assistant Supervisory Resident Agent in Charge of the FBI and Sheldon Burkett, Acting Resident Agent in Charge of the DEA.
- B. Chair Richman announced the CJC February 25, 2019 meeting will consist of a 3-hour workshop from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., focusing on the activities of the MacArthur Safety & Justice Challenge Grant.

VII. Executive Director Comments:

- A. Director Kristina Henson invited Judge Jonathan Gerber to speak to the CJC members about the upcoming Judge Marvin Mounts Prison Tour, March 27-28, 2019. Judge Gerber thanked the CJC for again sponsoring this important event now in its 47th year.
- B. Director Henson announced the new text-based Court Reminder System reminder on November 19, 2018. This is one of the MacArthur Safety & Justice Challenge strategies implemented to reduce the jail population, and has been proven to be effective in reducing the number of bookings for Failure to Appear (FTA) offenses. Staff from the Public Defender's Office and Pretrial Services have worked to enroll over 400 individuals for this service. The Robert F.

Kennedy Human Rights Organization is funding the first-year pilot program cost for the vendor services.

- C. Director Henson unveiled the newly re-designed CJC logo, with the slogan “Improving Justice Outcomes”.
- D. Director Henson announced the Palm Beach County BOCC will hold its first Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Workshop on November 27, 2018, at the Palm Beach County Convention Center.
- E. Director Henson provided to members the 2019 CJC Meeting schedule.
- F. Director Henson announced a proposed BOCC Resolution on Juvenile Direct Filings, which supports legislation introduced by Senator Bobby Powell. Among several proposed changes, filing requirements would be more discretionary and direct filed individuals would be housed in local juvenile detention centers instead of the county jail.

VIII. Old Business:

- A. Director Henson gave an update on the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG). She gave an overview of the DOJ and State (FDLE) funding process. Staff is waiting for announcement of the current fiscal year program, with allocations already designated to the PBC Reentry Program and FUSE Program Coordinator.

IX. New Business:

- A. Chair Richman introduced Mr. Louis Tomeo, Director of Criminal Court Services.
- B. Chair Richman called for a vote on the public and private sector members of JC Executive Committee. A motion to accept the Public Sector members was made by Mr. George Elmore with a second by Mr. Joseph Ianno, Jr. A motion to accept the Private Sector members including the new officers was made by Mr. Randy Johnson with a second by Commissioner Dave Kerner. Both motions passed unanimously.

X. Update on CJC Initiatives and Committees:

- A. Director Kristina Henson gave an update on the MacArthur Safety & Justice Challenge Grant activities. Staff is developing the first Annual Report due November 30, 2019. The second million-dollar installment of the grant will be released upon receipt of the report. A Request for Bid is in process to identify service providers for the FUSE Program. The Pretrial Risk Assessment Tool is in use and data is continuing to be tracked for efficacy. The next MacArthur

Safety & Justice All-Sites Meeting will be held in San Diego in May, 2019. MacArthur has awarded more implementation and innovation sites across the county. The Racial & Ethnic Disparity (RED) team is continuing work with the Burns Institute in identifying where disparities exist in our jail population and crafting remedies to reduce them.

- B. Judge James Martz gave an overview of the School Safety Mental Health Track Subcommittee meeting held on November 6, 2018, which participants discussed gaps in the behavioral health system countywide with input by various providers. He said it was very productive and already saw one area identified. More meetings are scheduled to further discuss how to share information and ensure outcomes. He said the Florida Governor's Executive Order Committee requiring the Florida Department of Children and Families to work with local stakeholders on the sharing of information and improved processes is taking its lead from what we are already doing.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.