



PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

CORRECTIONS TASK FORCE/ Public Safety Coordinating Council

Palm Beach County Governmental Center
301 N. Olive Avenue, 12th Floor, McEaddy Conference Room
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

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- MEETING MINUTES -

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Douglas Duncan, Roth and Duncan, P.A.
Glenny Cueto, Professional Probation Services, Inc.
William Genem, Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.
Jenise Link, Manager, Palm Beach County Pretrial Services Agency
Tommy Richards, Palm Beach County Bail Bond Association
James Smigel, Captain, West Palm Beach Police Department
David H. Talley, PBC CareerSource
Alton Taylor, Executive Director, Drug Abuse Foundation
Louis Tomeo, Director Criminal Court Services, Office of the Clerk and Comptroller
Barbara White, Public Defender's Office

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Rosalyn Baker, Florida Department of Corrections
Marni Bryson, Administrative Judge, County Court, 15th Judicial Circuit
Jeffrey Colbath, Chief Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Rev. Clarence Ellington, Senior Chaplain, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Brian Fernandes, Office of the State Attorney
John Kastrenakes, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Dina Keever, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Dave Kerner, Commissioner, Palm Beach County
Caroline Shepherd, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Alfonso Starling, Major, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mevsim Bocaksiz, Drug Abuse Foundation
Smita Chand, Jerome Golden Center
Michael Deighan, West Palm Beach PD
Donna Harris, Jerome Golden Center
Taruna Malhotra, Community Services
Marsha Martino, NAMI
Mamine Saintil, Superintendent, Department of Juvenile Justice
Michelle Spangenberg, Court Administration
Robert Tutko, Captain, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Becky Walker, Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network
Maxine Williams, Chief Magistrate, 15th Judicial Circuit

CJC STAFF PRESENT:

Kristina Henson, Executive Director
Damir Kukec, Research and Planning Manager
Rosalind Murray, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst
Allison Orr, Administrative Assistant
Candee Villapando, Criminal Justice Analyst

I. Welcome, Opening Comments by Chairman Douglas Duncan

Chair Duncan made special announcement this week was National Correctional Officers and Employees week in Palm Beach County, and congratulated and thanked all our correctional officers and employees.

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests by Damir Kukec

III. Approval and/or Additions to the agenda

The agenda was approved.

IV. Approval and/or Amendments to the April 5, 2017 Minutes of the Corrections Task Force/Public Safety Coordinating Council Meeting

The minutes of the April 5, 2017 meeting were approved without amendments.

V. Reports

A. Jail Population Report

Captain Robert Tutko reported that the the total inmate population was 2,154.

B. In House Arrest Report

Total In-House Arrest population was 198.

C. Pretrial Services Report

Jenise Link reported that as of yesterday, there were a total of 1,124 defendants on SOR; 596 of these individuals were on SOR only, and 528 were on SOR with accompanying money bond. Of the 596 defendants on SOR only, 23 remained in custody, with 11 awaiting treatment, and the rest on other hold or charges. Of the 528 individuals on SOR with a money bond, 128 remained in custody. The total out-of-custody SOR population is 973. Compared to last month, this number increased by 85; and increased by about 200 compared to last year. Ms. Link also reported that they have worked a mechanism how to send names of individuals awaiting treatment to the Drug Abuse Foundation. Chair Duncan asked for a reasonable explanation for the SOR increase; Ms. Link said it might be that the court might be using SOR more for the drug testing.

D. Juvenile Detention Center Report

Superintendent Mamine Saintil reported that they have 27 youth – 23 males and 4 females. She remarked that everything is stable, and that they are preparing for the hurricane season.

E. Misdemeanor Probation Report

Glenny Cueto reported that for the month of April they had a total of 130 new cases; total active cases were 1,846; 105 successfully completed cases; 33 cases were revoked. They have about 38 defendants currently on hold for ICE.

VI. Old Business / Updates

A. Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Transportation Plan, Final Draft –

Becky Walker, Director of Network Management, South East Florida Behavioral Health Network (SEFBHN)

Becky Walker first shared the good news that the Governor has just declared the opioid crisis of public health emergency, and ordered the State to disburse the \$27M that they received from the feds. They will find out how much they will be receiving in about a couple of days.

Ms. Walker then discussed the few changes she made on the transportation plan, incorporating input and suggestions, particularly from the Magistrates and the Baker Act Task Force, one of which was pulling out and working more on the language relating to the designated receiving system due to the continuing discussion that it is not required to be approved by the county.

Ms. Walker noted one outstanding issue which was whether the Public Safety Coordinating Council would want to recommend that there be a behavioral health transport company in addition to law enforcement transport as part of the recommendation, also referring to the footnote in the final draft. After the discussion that followed, Alton Taylor remarked that the provision does not preclude exploring the issue further and therefore recommended to include a provision that would allow this consideration but not mandate it. Chair Duncan concurred but would just like to add to the footnote the reasons why law enforcement should not be the main transporting agency. Ms. Walker will add that language in the footnote.

Ms. Link asked who will be presenting the plan to the county. Kristina Henson noted that she has been working with Jon Van Arnam, Deputy County Administrator, who will be the lead staff person for the County. The plan will be presented to the full County board primarily by either or both Ann Berner or Becky Walker of the Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network (SEFBHN) as it must be done by the bill in concert with the managing entity. Ms. Henson also invited Chair Duncan to present on behalf of this committee if he would like. The

plan should go before the full board on June 6th or June 8th to make it to the July 1 date.

The consideration of individual choice when deciding of which Baker Act receiving facility to transport the individual was also discussed. Barbara White requested, under Involuntary Court Proceeding on page 4, “... requiring the law enforcement officer *or other designated officer of the court* to take the person to the appropriate, or nearest, facility...” (Italicized language) to be added.

A motion was made by Mr. Taylor to pass the transportation plan, with the designated changes, to the full commission for their review, seconded by Ms. Link. The motion was passed unanimously. Chair Duncan thanked everyone for their hard work.

B. CJMHSA Reinvestment Act Grant and PSCC's Role, Overview – *Kristina Henson, Executive Director, Criminal Justice Commission*

The Board of County Commissioners has designated the PSCC and its expanded membership with people from the behavioral health field, if any applications from Palm Beach County are made for this grant that are not the County itself, to review the applications, and recommend which one should be designated as the one that can apply for the grant. This year, no one applied from Palm Beach County because there has been no money allocated from the legislature, so the committee has no work to do, but this committee will be looking at this each year in the timeframe.

C. MacArthur Foundation Safety & Justice Challenge Project Update – *Kristina Henson, Executive Director, Criminal Justice Commission*

A delegation of nine from the PBC MacArthur project will be leaving for Denver on Sunday to attend the all sites (20 sites nationally) three-day conference for the MacArthur Foundation grant initiative.

The application for the third year of funding, which will be full implementation funding for the local team, is out and will due on June 1st. Ms. Henson, Mr. Kukec, and Bert Winkler are the lead and writing up the grant. MacArthur has given them a target which is to reduce our jail population within three years of a jail average daily population baseline. Ms. Henson believes this is doable and shared some of the things they are already doing towards achieving this goal. The total amount of the grant they can write for is \$1M for each of two years, for a total of \$2M.

VII. New Business

No new business discussed.

VIII. Additional Member and Guest Comments

Chair Duncan announced that the committee will be taking a two-month break in the months of July and August, and therefore encouraged everyone to attend the meeting in June.

IX. Adjournment

Next Meeting: June 7, 2017; 12:00 P.M.