



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Criminal Justice Council - Pre-Trial Services Subcommittee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

12:15 PM

City County Building Room 351

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A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:18 p.m.

- Present** 5 - COLLEEN CLARK, ISMAEL OZANNE, NICK MCNAMARA, CARLO ESQUEDA,
and CATHERINE DORL
- Excused** 2 - JEFF KOSTELIC, and TIMOTHY RITTER
- Absent** 1 - DAVE MAHONEY

Staff present: Michael Moody

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2018](#) Minutes of the 8/29/18 CJC Pre-Trial Meeting
[MIN-244](#)

Attachments: [2018 MIN-244](#)

Minutes deferred

C. Action Items

None

D. Presentations

None

E. Reports to Committee

1. Pretrial and 2018 Budget Requests

Discussion Ensued

Equesda summary – insure funding for both pre-trial assessment to 2019 & SW to bail monitoring system to relieve capacity. PSA will help categories of risk for a particular case.

Judge McNamara asked about types of SW, types of cases – discuss caseloads and types of cases. The advantage of being on bailing monitoring shows compliance. There are questions regarding Chapter 950. The role of judges choosing who and what the conditions of bail would be for a person.

Dorl asked: "How does SW work to connect cases to services"? Question on capacity on bail monitoring? Create capacity by taking people off bail monitoring if they have complied.

DA Ozanne: The key to getting more people out of jail equals higher capacity of bail monitoring. More staff vs diluting policy of bail monitoring. The need to start the condition of bail sooner. A person could start/finish a program before sentencing.

Clark stated that part of this conversation is future direction and strategic planning. Recommendation that a person get into treatment court within two weeks after IA.

2. Future Direction and Strategic Planning

Discussion ensued:

Esqueda asked where additional staff would be housed? Pre trial services are often sub-contracted. The issue of funding rural counties Pre-Trial services (PSA and services).

DA Ozanne suggested to have staff coordinate with local JFF offices. The proposal of eliminating cash bail. The risk assessment tool will keep racial disparity the same or worse. The system adjusts safety issues through bail conditions. The question of staffing on both sides for a weekend IA court.

Judge McNamara stated that this subcommittee was started to address a PSA model. The issue of a weekend IA court and the cost.

Clark stated if cash bail is eliminated the Pre-trial assessment would need to be strengthened. Spillman would be able to disaggregate DOC holds from other types of holds.

Dorl stated If someone has other holds (not DOC holds) from somewhere else they are not able to get scheduled in IA court. These cases are not at the top of the sheet where people that have other "problems".

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The Results of New Jersey and The Results of Jail Stress will be items discussed at the next meeting on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 12:15 p.m.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

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

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

There was no such other business as allowed by law.

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by ESQUEDA, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote at 1:20 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janice L. Lee, subject to approval by the Sub Committee.