



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Community Justice Council - Racial Disparities Subcommittee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

12:15 PM

Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at the City County
Building in Room 357; attend virtually via zoom.

See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public
testimony.

A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by CHAIR PELLEBON at 12:15 pm

John Patterson attended representing Matthew Tye.

Leslie Fox attended representing Jonathan Triggs.

Patterson left at 12:58pm.

Judge White left 1:11pm.

DCSO representative Fox left at 1:28pm

Present 9 - JOHN BAUMAN, RON CHANCE, CATHERINE DORL, ISMAEL OZANNE, WESLEY
SPARKMAN, JONATHAN TRIGGS, MATT TYE, MARIO WHITE, and Co-Chair
DANA PELLEBON

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022](#)
[MIN-531](#)

Minutes of the 12/06/2022 Criminal Justice Council-Racial Disparities
Subcommittee Meeting.

Attachments: [2022 MIN-531](#)

A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by BAUMAN, that the minutes be
approved. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. Action Items

None.

D. Presentations

1. COMMUNITY JUSTICE INITIATIVE UPDATE (CLARK-BERNHARDT)

The CJC Chair sent a memo to the seven community organizations who were previously engaged in the Community Justice Center Initiative planning process. Currently, the CJC is looking for a facilitator for these meetings. Facilitator will play a key role in the 6-month planning phase.

CJC representatives also conducted a site visit to Bexar County, Texas, where they learned about community and specialty courts and the involvement of stakeholders in the design.

[2023](#) Community Partner Invite
[PRES-014](#)

Attachments: [2023 PRES-014](#)

This presentation was placed on file

2. UPDATE ON CJC-RD MEMBERSHIP - OA 28 (CLARK-BERNHARDT)

Ordinance Amendment 28 (OA-28) will add two new subcommittee members with lived experience to the CJC-Racial Disparities subcommittee. Organizations have nominated or will nominate proposed representatives from their organizations.

3. OFFICE OF JUSTICE REFORM AND EQUITY (OJRE)

Review of attached memorandum. Brief discussion among committee members.

[2023](#) Memo from Executive Office regarding Office of Justice Reform and Equity
[PRES-015](#)

Attachments: [2023 PRES-015](#)

This memo was placed on file.

4. DISCUSSION REGARDING DISCRETIONARY FUNDS ALLOCATED TO COUNTY BOARD FOR OJRE (PELLEBON)

Introduction to Criminal Justice Review Initiatives committee, which is responsible for identifying initiatives that could gain some funding from the \$500,000 in the budget. The CJC-RD subcommittee would like direction from the larger CJC before making a specific recommendation. Members lean on chairs' recommendations for this item.

10 minute recess for technical difficulties.

- WEEKEND INITIAL APPEARANCE

Discussion of weekend initial appearance and its resource needs and impact, particularly on reducing racial & ethnic disparities.

- EXPANDING AGE GROUP IN COMMUNITY RESTORATIVE COURT

Committee members discuss opportunities and challenges related to expanding the Community Restorative Court (CRC) and staffing needs. Expanding CRC referrals, staffing concerns raised.

- CRISIS RESPONSE CARE GAP

Discussion of data-sharing and crisis response. Not enough data on how different points are broken down by racial and ethnic disparities.

- LEVERAGE MENTAL HEALTH AND DATA

Discussion of behavioral health needs and importance of expanding diversity among mental health providers.

Discussion on impact of a criminal conviction and accessing mental health treatment currently not accessible to this group. Additional data is needed on these programs qualifications and impact on those with criminal convictions.

Discussion of non-law enforcement crisis response and the greater Dane County community and context.

E. Reports to Committee

1. COMMUNITY RESTORATIVE COURT UPDATE (CRC STAFF)

CRC has new client data available from 2022. The data report includes information on demographics (race, ethnicity, and gender), charges, and referral source. The CRC will present future reports at each CJC-RD subcommittee. CJC-RD subcommittee members are interested in data on the number of people referred compared to number of people completed, the length of the time in the program, service utilization and range, and outcomes of more sensitive cases.

[2023
RPT-024](#)

Community Restorative Court 2022 Referrals

Attachments: [2022 Referrals by Offense PDF](#)
[2022 Client Referrals by Demographics PDF](#)

This report was placed on file.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

1. REVIEW 2023 CJC-RD CALENDAR

The community court advisory committee will begin meeting soon, and that committee will meet twice per month. It is necessary that CJC-RD members can minimize additional meetings. CJC-RD will move to quarterly meetings for 2023.

Meetings will be held on: April 25th, August 22nd, and December 5th. Future meetings will also be hybrid.

[2022](#) 2023 CJC-RD CALENDAR
[PRES-178](#)

Attachments: [2022PRES-178](#)

This 2023 CJ-RD Calendar was placed on file

2. CJC-SUB COMMUNITY COURT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING DATES FOR 2023

To be determined.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

I. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by OZANNE, seconded by SPARKMAN. Meeting adjourned at 1:49 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending CJC-Racial Disparities subcommittee approval.