



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, October 22, 2020

12:15 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for
instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by
phone.

A. Call To Order

Advisory Members: Catherine Dori, Troy Enger, Todd Meurer, John Patterson, Mayor Rhodes-Conway

Excused: Aaron Chapin

Absent: Maureen McCarville

Patterson left at 1:55pm

Rhodes-Conway left at 1:00pm

Staff: Noemi Reyes, Colleen Clark-Bernhardt, Lindsay Menard, Sarah Jensen, Isabel Anadon, Carrie Simon, John Bauman, Jonathan Triggs, Kerry Porter, Michelle DeForest, Nicholas McNamara, Sarah Shimko

The meeting was called to order by Chair Eicher at 12:15pm.

Deputy Chief Hook attending for Sheriff Mahoney.

Ozanne present until 1:10pm

Ozanne returned at 1:45pm

Present 5 - VALERIE BAILEY-RIHN, CARLO ESQUEDA, ISMAEL OZANNE, JOE PARISI, and Supervisor ANALIESE EICHER

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020
MIN-227](#)

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL
MEETING

Attachments: [2020 MIN-227](#)

A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by PARISI, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

None

D. Presentations**1. Deflection Strategies: Decriminalizing Behavioral Health Crises**

*Presented by: Rick Raemisch, Retired Sheriff, and Dr. Robin Timme
Falcon Correctional and Community Services Inc.*

Presentation about the role of treatment in public safety, since the jail is often the system to work with individuals with behavioral health issues. Options in diversion and deflection. Jail is an opportunity to connect individuals with services, particularly in reentry and care coordination. Benefits of integrated resource center for behavioral health needs.

Discussion ensued about the following topics: (1) engagement with advocates and stakeholders; (2) the total number of people who are incarcerated with mental health conditions compared to the acuteness of mental health conditions among incarcerated individuals; (3) the cost of operation and importance of data in making decisions; (4) building a new structure or using existing infrastructure.

[2020
PRES-104](#)

Deflection Strategies: Decriminalizing Behavioral Health Crises

Attachments: [2020 PRES-104](#)

E. Reports to Committee**1. Flattening the Curve: COVID-19 in Dane County Jail**

*Presented by Dr. John Eason and Malia Jones at the University of Wisconsin-Madison
Presentation attached*

Presentation provided information about COVID hotspots in geographic relation to correctional facilities. Dane County specific data and analysis. Decarceration is a public health strategy.

[2020
RPT-573](#)

Flattening the Curve: COVID-19 in Dane County Jail

Attachments: [2020 RPT-573](#)

2. COVID-19 policy and practice responses across the system

Coordinated by Clark-Bernhardt, with presentations from multiple agencies

Review of written agency responses to COVID-19 pandemic from the Circuit Court, Madison Police Department, Sheriff's Office, Clerk of Courts, and Shorewood Hills Police Department. Additional CJC members' agencies will be presented at next CJC meeting.

Presentation from Noemi Reyes about trends in jail admission rates and average daily populations. There was a substantial decline in jail admissions at the beginning of the pandemic due to alternatives to incarceration.

[2020 RPT-574](#)

COVID-19 Policy and Practice Responses Across the System

- Attachments:** [Clerk of Courts Policy & Practice Response](#)
[Madison Police Department Policy & Practice Response](#)
[Dane County Circuit Court Policy & Practice Response](#)
[Dane County Sheriff Office Policy & Practice Response](#)
[Shorewood/Chief's Association Policy & Practice Response](#)

[2020 RPT-575](#)

Trends in Average Daily Population and Admission

- Attachments:** [2020 RPT-575](#)

3. Proposed Budget Initiatives

Presented by Chair Eicher

The County budget includes funding towards a triage restoration center and a community justice center. City of Madison budget includes funding towards a non-law enforcement response to calls for service.

4. Community Justice Center Event

Presented by Clark-Bernhardt

Community Justice Center virtual community conversation will be October 29th at 5pm.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

No November meeting due to Thanksgiving; the upcoming meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2020 at 12:15pm

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 by OZANNE, seconded by HOOK, that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 1:59 pm

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending committee approval