



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

Wednesday, March 7, 2018; 12:00 P.M.

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- MEETING MINUTES -

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Douglas Duncan, Chair, Roth and Duncan, P.A.
Glenny Cueto, Professional Probation Services, Inc.
Brian Fernandes, Office of the State Attorney
William Genem, Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.
Kimber Heddon, Florida Department of Corrections
Glenn Kelley, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit (also for Judge Dina Keever)
Dave Kerner, Commissioner, Palm Beach County
Tommy Richards, Palm Beach County Bail Bond Association
David H. Talley, PBC CareerSource
Alfonso Starling, Vice-Chair, Major, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Barbara White, Public Defender's Office

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marni Bryson, Administrative Judge, County Court, 15th Judicial Circuit
Dina Keever, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Jenise Link, Court Services
Alton Taylor, Drug Abuse Foundation
Louis Tomeo, Office of the Clerk and Comptroller

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mevsim Bacaksiz, Drug Abuse Foundation
Dave Bernhardt, PBC Commission, District 3
Ted Booras, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Sergeant Butler, for DJJ Superintendent Mamie Saintil
Michelle Cruz, Court Administration
Colleen Farnsworth, DCF Legal
Nicholas Fricke, Court Administration
Jefferey Jackson, Captain, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Walter Lawrence, Sergeant, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Richard Markoe, Office of the Clerk and Comptroller (for Louis Tomeo)
Mark Strach, Florida Department of Corrections

CJC STAFF PRESENT:

Damir Kukec, Research and Planning Manager
Jonathan Hackley, Criminal Justice Analyst
Aleita Kinman, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst
Althea Mones, Temporary Employee
Allison Orr, Administrative Assistant
Candee Villapando, Criminal Justice Analyst

I. Welcome, Opening Comments by Chairman Douglas Duncan

Chair Doug Duncan thanked Rosalyn Baker, Judge John Kastrenakes, and Judge Shepherd for their service; and welcomed Kimber Heddon and Judge Glenn Kelley to the committee.

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests by Damir Kukec

III. Approval and/or Amendments/Additions to the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

IV. Approval and/or Amendments to the Corrections Task Force/Public Safety Coordinating Council December 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the December 6, 2017 meeting were approved without amendments.

V. Reports

A. Jail Population Report

Major Alfonso Starling reported the total population as of that morning was 2,005 inmates.

B. In House Arrest Report

Total In-House Arrest population as of March 1st was 197: 107 pretrial, with 0 direct-filed juveniles; 88 county sentenced, 0 probation; 2 DJJ; 0 Administrative Order. Total Pay N Gos for the month was 241.

C. Pretrial Services Report

Monthly report was included in the packet.

D. Juvenile Detention Center Report

Sergeant Butler reported the total population count was 50; about 7 direct filed.

E. Misdemeanor Probation Report

Ms. Glenny Cueto reported that for February, they had a total of 197 new cases; 2,116 total active cases; 120 successfully completed cases; 36 revoked. There were 42 defendants on ICE hold; 5 were confirmed deported.

VI. New Business

A. In-House Arrest Program

The issue was initially raised by Public Defender Carey Haughwout at a previous CJC meeting regarding a PD Office's client who had been ordered released pretrial on in-house arrest that allegedly took almost two weeks. The CJC requested the Corrections Task Force to review the case. Barbara White provided background information on the case, and a more in-depth discussion followed regarding this specific case and the in-house arrest process with input from Major Alfonso Starling, Sergeant Walter Lawrence, and Captain Jeffery Jackson from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. Sergeant Lawrence gave an overview of the In-House Arrest Program operations. He said the normal turnaround placement time is about four business days, if all the requirements are in order. The committee will continue communications with the Sheriff's Office to fully review the case, and Chair Duncan directed staff to include the issue at the next committee meeting and invite all parties concerned so they could go back to the CJC with a full report.

B. Senate Bill 484 Update

Mr. Kukec gave a brief overview of the bill that may have serious implications for pretrial services and the local jail. He noted some movement in the bill in the legislature, but had not heard anything just before closing of legislature. Commissioner Kerner concurred; he doubted anything happening as he did not think the legislature will adjourn on time. But he observed a consistent trend in terms of unfunded mandates in passing on fiscal responsibilities to local governments without the ability to raise the necessary funds.

VII. Old Business / Updates

A. MacArthur Foundation Safety & Justice Challenge Project Update

Mr. Kukec shared the good news that another half-a-million dollars was deposited by the foundation into the county coffers. Mr. Kukec also provided an update on the project's various strategies, e.g., the pretrial risk assessment instrument, case processing review, FUSE, and the text-messaging court date reminder system. In addition, Ms. White talked briefly about the Client Navigator position at the PD's Office that will be funded by the grant; while Brian Fernandes spoke on the equivalent position at the State Attorney's Office, Public Safety Specialist, which has already started. Last but not least, Mr. Kukec introduced Aleita Kinman, new

CJC staff who was recently hired to work with the project on racial and ethnic disparities issue.

Chair Duncan asked guests to introduce themselves at this point, and apologized for the oversight.

VIII. Additional Member and Guest Comments

Commissioner Kerner announced that on April 10th at the Board of County Commission meeting he will be issuing a proclamation recognizing Corrections professionals, officers, deputies, in which Major Starling will be joining him. He also invited DOC to join the effort. They will also be issuing a proclamation for Reentry efforts in the county at the meeting.

IX. Adjournment