



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, September 2, 2020; 12:00 P.M.
Virtual Meeting (Webex)

- MEETING MINUTES -

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ted Booras, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Sherri Collins, Administrative Judge, County Court, 15th Judicial Circuit
Glenny Cueto, Professional Probation Services, Inc.
Daniel Eisinger, Public Defender's Office
Latronda Hayes, Court Services
Alfonso Starling, Vice-Chair, Major, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
David H. Talley, PBC CareerSource
Alton Taylor, Drug Abuse Foundation
Louis Tomeo, Office of the Clerk and Comptroller

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Brian Fernandes, Office of the State Attorney
William Genem, Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.
Michelle Johns, Florida Department of Corrections
Dave Kerner, Commissioner, Palm Beach County
Tommy Richards, Palm Beach County Bail Agent Association

GUESTS PRESENT:

Michelle Cruz, Court Administration
Leah Vail Compton, Florida Department of Children and Families
Michael DeVoter, Major, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Michael Salnick, Private Defense Attorney
Felicia A. Scott, Riviera Beach Civil Drug Court
Tamara Starks, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Randi Taylor, Public Safety Reentry
Craig Williams, Office of the State Attorney (*for Brian Fernandes*)

CJC STAFF PRESENT:

Brad Allen, Criminal Justice Commission
Regenia Herring, Executive Director
Damir Kukec, Research and Planning Manager
Jonathan Hackley, Criminal Justice Commission
Rosalind Murray, Criminal Justice Commission
Allison Orr, Criminal Justice Commission
Candee Villapando, Criminal Justice Commission
Bert Winkler, Criminal Justice Commission

I. Welcome, Opening Comments by Chairman Douglas Duncan

Chair Douglas Duncan welcomed Ms. Regenia Herring, the Criminal Justice Commission's new Executive Director.

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests by Damir Kukec

Members were asked to sign into the chat box in lieu of a roll call.

III. Approval and/or Amendments to the Agenda

The Agenda was approved without amendments.

IV. Approval of the December 4, 2019 Minutes

The December 4, 2019 meeting minutes was approved by the Corrections Task Force.

V. New Business

A. Private Attorneys' access to desktop video visitation with clients housed in the jail update

Palm Beach County Private Defense Attorney, Michael Salnick asked if he could attend the Correction Task Force to request access to defendants housed in the county jail via online or video visitation conference calls. He noted that others, such as assistant public defenders and other counties provide such access. Major Alfonso Starling, from the PBSO Corrections stated that they most certainly would be open to exploring this option for Mr. Salnick. Chair Duncan thanked Major Starling and the Sheriff's Office for moving forward with this undertaking.

VI. Old Business / Updates

A. MacArthur Foundation Safety & Justice Challenge Project Update

Criminal Justice Commission staff provided an overview of the jail average daily population as well as data showing the widening racial disparities in the jail ADP. Staff also informed the Task Force that they were launching a new study that will examine the impact of the pandemic on the jail and crime overall. This study will be completed by JFA, a national expert on jails.

VII. Reports

A. Jail Population and In House Arrest

Major Alfonso Starling reported their facility count.

B. Pretrial Services

Latronda Hayes provided an update on the status of SOR defendants.

C. Juvenile Detention Center

No report was presented.

B. Misdemeanor Probation

Glenny Cueto reported on the number of misdemeanor probation cases they managed in the month of August.

C. Felony Probation

No report presented.

VIII. Additional Comments

No Additional comments were made.

IX. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 4, 2020; 12:00 P.M.

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