

CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION (CJPAC)

Thursday, February 22, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Commissioner Scott Semple, Department of Corrections; *Karen Jarmoc*, President and CEO, CT Coalition against Domestic Violence; *Gary Roberge*, Executive Director, Court Support Services Division; *Kevin Kane*, Chief State's Attorney, Office of the Chief State Attorney; *Chairperson Carlton Giles*, Connecticut Board of Pardons and Paroles; *Josh Howroyd*, Legislative Program Manager, Department of Children and Families; *Humayun Beg*, Executive Director, Criminal Justice Information Systems; *Chris Rapillo*, Chief Public Defender, Public Defender's Office; *Judge Patrick Carroll*, Chief Court Administrator, Judicial Branch; *Loel Meckle*, Assistant Director of Forensic Services, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; *Commissioner Tom Saadi*, Department of Veterans Affairs; *Charlene Russel-Tucker*, Chief Operating Officer, State Department of Education; *Cheryl Cepelak*, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Corrections; *Natasha Pierre*, State Victim Advocate, Office of the Victim Advocate

I. Introductions

- a. This meeting was not broadcast on CTN. And took place in Room 310 of the Capitol Building, not the LOB.

II. Welcome and Policy Updates

- a. Welcome and update was provided by Commissioner Semple

III. Approval of Minutes from January 2018

- a. Minutes were approved

IV. Commission Correspondence

- a. No Commission Correspondence

VI. Presentations

- a. Karen Jarmoc, Chief Executive Officer, CCADV, Dual Arrest Presentation
- b. Ivan Kuzyk and Kyle Baudoin, SAC, OPM, Recidivism and Projection Presentation

VII. Agency Updates

Public Defenders Office – The Public Defender's Office is conducting an Annual Report, they are seeing small decrease in total number of cases, it appears that ICE/Immigration officials are targeting people who show up to court, so these people are being counted as "did not show up to court" when in fact they had shown up but were taken away

DOC – There is a 6% decrease in the prison population from this time last year, a 2.5% increase in the community population, and a 7.5% decrease in the female population, which they are focusing on lately

CCSD – They have been meeting with DCF and OPM for the juvenile justice transfer, CSSD is going for reaccreditation for the American Corrections Association and the National Pretrial Standards reaccreditation too.

BOPP – No new updates

DoEdu – Families that have been displaced by hurricanes are sending their kids to schools in Connecticut, including 73 school districts, money for disaster relief from the national level is coming to help in the

realm of education, and they passed alternative education standards for expelled students to give more consistency

DCF – Juvenile justice meetings preparing for the transfer of CJTS, meeting before the judiciary committee, CJTS is set to close June 30th, and there are currently 24 boys at CJTS

CCADV – The Advisory Board on Battered Women is concerned that the new standards are not being adhered to properly, and will look into this further

CJIS – CIS released for Feb and March, objective to get police departments connected, 93 are targeted, 73 have connectivity, and 10 in progress, OBTS out of Commission, move to CIS Application

Judicial Branch – high level cooperation on the Juvenile Justice transfer, which is the main focus of the judicial branch, there have been 39 judicial reappointment hearings, which have unfortunately been tainted by social media posts and billboards against judges

OVA – they are not hopeful for this session and are worried about restitution issues still slipping through, they are hosting a victims rights symposium on April 13th

DMHAS – Hartford and New Haven are doing law enforcement assisted diversion, through training and case management,

State's Attorney Office – piolet program in Waterbury and Bridgeport, diversion screening program, and a similar program in Hartford, New Haven, and New London

DVA – still working on the definition of veteran, and certificate of eligibility forms

VI. Subcommittee Updates

PJOR – no updates

Behavioral health – no updates

Victim issues – Next meeting is Feb. 27th, at 2pm

VIII. Public Comment

No public Comment

IX. Adjournment

Commissioner Semple adjourned the meeting at 10:50

