

CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION  
Minutes for June 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Judicial Branch's Court Operations Office  
225 Spring Street  
Wethersfield, CT 06109  
Thursday, June 11, 2009  
9AM-11AM

Members of the Commission Present: Brian Austin, Chair, Undersecretary, Criminal Justice Policy and Planning Division, Office of Policy and Management; William H. Carbone, Executive Director, Judicial Branch's Court Support Services Division; Judge Patrick Carroll, Deputy Chief Court Administrator; Laurie Deneen, Public Member, Robert Farr, Chairman, Board of Pardon and Paroles; Kevin Kane, Chief State's Attorney; Susan Hamilton, Commissioner, Department of Children and Families; James Kenny, Police Chief; Thomas Kirk, Commissioner, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; Nancy Kushins, Victims Services; Theresa Lantz, Commissioner, Department of Correction.

Chair Brian Austin Convened the meeting to order at 9:00am. The Commission members introduced themselves.

#### Presentations

- 1.) The Judicial Branch and the Department of Correction provided a presentation on the technological capabilities of video conferencing.

The Department of Correction has equipped each of their facilities with videoconferencing capabilities as a result of Public Act 08-01, January Special Session. During the month of May, 2009, DOC conducted approximately 367 videoconferences. Both the Judicial Branch and the DOC is interested in expanding the use of this technology.

One issue associated with the technology that was identified by Commission members is the ability to insure that a defendant can have confidential discussions with his/her attorney.

The Commission members were impressed with the presentation and there was consensus for pursuing the expansion of the use of this technology.

- 2.) The Behavioral Health Services Subcommittee, Department of Social Services and UCONN Health Center provided a PowerPoint presentation on the expediting State Administrative General Assistance (SAGA)

Prescription coverage for discharging inmates. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation can be found on the OPM website.

Other Business:

Chairman Austin and other members of the Commission congratulated Commissioner Theresa Lantz on her pending retirement and she received a standing ovation for all of her hard work and dedication throughout her tenure as Department of Correction Commissioner and Chairperson of the Prison and Jail Overcrowding Commission, predecessor to the CJPAC.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:02am.

Remaining 2009 Meeting Schedule

September 10, 2009	Legislative Office Building	1B
October 8, 2009	Legislative Office Building	1B
November 12, 2009	Legislative Office Building	1B
December 10, 2009	Legislative Office Building	1B