

MINUTES

Monday, February 4, 2019 12:00 pm

Community Engagement Team

Criminal Justice Commission

301 N. Olive Ave. West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Members Present: Co-Chair Barbara Cheives, Converge and Associates, Co-Chair Chief Sarah Mooney, WPBPD, Dr. Angela Bess, SDPBC, Major Chris Keane, PBSO, Adam McMichael, US Attorney's Office, Judge Bradley Harper, Daniel Eisinger, Public Defender's Office, Cheo Reid, State Attorney's Office, Connie Rogan, PBSO

CJC Staff Present: Kristina Henson, CJC Executive Director, Rosalind Murray, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst, Katherine Shover, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst, Jonathon Hackley, Criminal Justice Analyst, Bert Winkler, Manager Criminal Justice Programs, Damir Kukec, Research and Planning Manager, Jervonte Edmonds, Temporary Professional

I. Welcome - Meeting was called to order at 12:10pm. The Co-Chairs presided, Barbara Cheives, and Chief Sarah Mooney. Guests were introduced.

II. **Approval Agenda & Minutes**

The agenda and minutes were approved in the form of a motion Chief Mooney, and seconded by Adam McMichael.

III. **Business**

A. **Community Engagement Supplemental Grant - \$150,000 for 2 years**

Kristina Henson shared that we received \$150,000 of the \$200,000 grant. We have provided a \$75,000 budget proposal for 1st year and the same for year 2. There was an extended discussion concerning the budget and its line items. There was a discussion over the proposed survey. Ms. Cheives suggested that we work with the Healthier Together Project and provide quarterly events that would be specific to a region. Staff would provide Pre & Post-tests to see what they learned. There will also be smaller events in neighborhoods with San Castle being the next event. A motion was made by Judge Harper and seconded by Adam McMichael to propose a budget for one year with the following items:

\$10,000 Focus Groups

\$20,000 Meeting Expenses

\$15,000 Speakers for Events

\$18,000 Implicit Bias Education for the Public

\$12,000 Translation



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The group also decided to have a proposed program for March or April, along with four (4) dates by the next meeting.

IV. Member Comments

A general discussion was held about the plan to move forward and future events. Suggestions included large meeting groups inviting hundreds of people using the auditorium at Palm Beach Lakes High, setting up tents at sporting events, focused topics (jury selection), and Pop-Up Events. Others thought that we should tie our work into existing groups. Some members felt the Community Conversations and outreach such as “Meet the Experts” have been well attended and engaging. Members felt that we need to hear more stories and use the feedback to determine our future course of direction. Fostering positive relationships was also suggested as a goal.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.