## PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION



#### **CORRECTIONS TASK FORCE/**

**Public Safety Coordinating Council** 

Palm Beach County Governmental Center 301 N. Olive Avenue, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor McEaddy Conference Room West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Wednesday, September 7, 2011; 12:00 P.M.

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#### -SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES-

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chairman Douglas Duncan, Roth and Duncan, P.A.
Rosalyn Baker, Florida Department of Corrections
Ted Booras, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Maureen F. Brickous, CEO, County Probation, Pride Integrated Services, Inc.
Jeffrey Colbath, Administrative Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Roger M. Crane, Police Chief, Palm Beach County Chiefs of Police Association
Vice-Chairman Chris Kneisley, Major, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Tommy Richards, Palm Beach County Bail Bond Association
Alton Taylor, Executive Director, Drug Abuse Foundation
Louis Tomeo, Director Criminal Court Services, Office of the Clerk and Comptroller
Charles Trotta, Manager, Palm Beach County Pretrial Services Agency
Shelley Vana, Commissioner, Palm Beach County

### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

August Bonavita, Administrative Judge, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit
Bob Bozzone, Executive Director, Comprehensive Alcohol Rehabilitation Program
Patrick Cannan, Workforce Alliance
Rev. Chaney, Clergy Representation
Sharon D'Eusanio, Victims Rights Coalition
Jill Richstone, State Attorney's Office
Barbara White, Public Defender's Office

#### **GUESTS PRESENT:**

Alan Fuhrman, Captain, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Shelby King, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Lynn Powell, Office of the State Attorney Yasmin Rivera, FL DOC, Department of Probation and Parole Michelle Spangenberg, Court Administration Alfonso Starling, Captain, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

#### **CIC STAFF PRESENT:**

Jenise Link, Sr. Criminal Justice Analyst Michael Rodriguez, Executive Director Candee Villapando, Criminal Justice Analyst

- I. Chairman Duncan welcomed the members and guests of the task force.
- **II.** The agenda was approved without additions or deletions.

**III.** The minutes of the August 3, 2011 meeting of the CTF/PSCC were approved with one correction to section VII. B.

# IV. Reports

# A. Jail Population Report

Major Kneisley reported that the average daily population is 2,481 this month. He added that it has not varied much from last month's average of 2,496.

# B. In-House Arrest Report

Major Kneisley reported that there are currently 198 inmates on in-house arrest. 117 are pretrial (including 12 direct filed juveniles), 66 are county sentence; 2 are there for county probation and 13 are juveniles. He stated that the population was at 180 last month. He reported that out of 50 applications this past month, 9 were denied. He provided a printed report to the task force.

## C. Jail Counselor Report

Captain Fuhrman reported the status of DCF transfers and mental health evaluations. He reported that 11 inmates were transferred to the state hospitals in August. He also reported that 3 inmates were waiting to be returned from DCF and 2 inmates were returned from DCF last month. He added that there was a total of 327 individuals that received the book and release or pay and go release in August at booking.

Chiarman Duncan inquired about the new policy for non-privledged mail at the jail. Major Kneisley responded that effective September 19, 2011 the new policy is that inmates can receive postcards. This is in an effort to reduce contraband entering the jails.

#### D. Pretrial Services Report

The Pretrial Services Manager, Mr. Trotta, reported that as of September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 there were a total of 627 defendants on Supervised Own Recognizance (S.O.R.) and that 574 of these are out of custody; 443 defendants were on S.O.R. only and 184 defendants were on S.O.R. with an accompanying money bond. Eleven individuals on S.O.R. only remain mainly due to other charges holding them.

#### V. Old Business

**A.** Criminal Justice Commission request for a fact-finding report on current jail services for pretrial inmates:

Ms. Link provided the task force with an working draft report and discussed the following services:

- Book and release
- Pretrial
- Jail diversion specialists
- Drug court

- Recidivist recovery court
- Veteran's court
- Academic programs
- Self-help groups
- Electronic law library
- Reading library
- Vocational education
- In-house arrest

Members discussed adding additional information to the report. Chiarman Duncan noted that this report will be finalized and reviewed at the next meeting.

### VI. New Business

There was no new business for discussion.

# VII. Additional member and guest comments

Chief Crane mentioned that the funding for the juvenile assessment center security is under discussion by the Law Enforcement Planning Council. Chairman Duncan stated that the next meeting will be held October 5, 2011.

# VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Duncan.

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