



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, April 3, 2019; 12:00 P.M.

- DRAFT MEETING MINUTES -

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Douglas Duncan, Chair, Roth and Duncan, P.A.
Alfonso Starling, Vice-Chair, Major, Palm Beach Sheriff's Office
Ted Booras, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Glenny Cueto, Professional Probation Services, Inc.
Daniel Eisinger, Public Defender's Office
Latronda Hayes, Court Services
Glenn Kelley, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit (also for Judge Dina Keever)
Tommy Richards, Palm Beach County Bail Agent Association
David H. Talley, PBC CareerSource
Louis Tomeo, Office of the Clerk and Comptroller

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Brian Fernandes, Office of the State Attorney
Sheree Cunningham, Administrative Judge, County Court, 15th Judicial Circuit
William Genem, Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.
Kimber Heddton, Florida Department of Corrections
Dina Keever, Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Dave Kerner, Commissioner, Palm Beach County
Alton Taylor, Drug Abuse Foundation

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mevsim Bacaksiz, Drug Abuse Foundation
David Bernhardt, Board of County Commissioners (for Commissioner Dave Kerner)
Chenise Bonilla, Public Safety
Michelle Cruz, Court Administration
Colleen Farnsworth, DCF Legal
Derek Gibson, Florida Department of Corrections
Welton Sanders, Captain, Department of Juvenile Justice (for Major Mamine Saintil)

CJC STAFF PRESENT:

Damir Kukec, Research and Planning Manager
Jonathan Hackley, Criminal Justice Analyst
Althea Mones, Criminal Justice Commission
Candee Villapando, Criminal Justice Analyst

I. Welcome, Opening Comments by Chairman Douglas Duncan

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests by Damir Kukec

III. Approval and/or Amendments/Additions to the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

IV. Approval and/or Amendments to the Corrections Task Force/Public Safety Coordinating Council February 6, 2019 Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the February 6, 2019 meeting were approved without amendments.

V. Reports

A. Jail Population and In House Arrest

Major Alfonso Starling reported their facility count as of that morning was 1,850. Total In-House Arrest population was 222: 99 pretrial; 122 county sentenced, 0 probation; 1 DJJ; AO zero. Total Pay N Gos for the month of March was 201.

B. Pretrial Services

Latrona Hayes reported that as of March 29th, there were a total of 757 defendants on SOR; 555 of those individuals were on SOR only, 202 were on SOR with a money bond. Of the 757 defendants on SOR only, 17 remained in custody, with 1 awaiting treatment, and 16 on bonds or no bonds on other charges/holds. Of the 202 individuals on SOR with a bond, 43 remained in custody due to other holds. The total out of custody SOR population was 694. Of the 694 individuals out of custody, 25 failed to appear for court and 11 had no criminal activity. There was a total of 59 technical violations. Their numbers are up compared to last year and this time last month.

C. Juvenile Detention Center

Captain Welton Sanders reported a total population of 33 youth secure; 8 youth going to non-secure; 3 possibly going to high risk; 2 youth awaiting PBSO direct file.

D. Misdemeanor Probation

Glenny Cueto reported they had a total of 193 new cases for the month of March; 2,407 total active cases; 82 successfully completed cases; 37 revoked; total of 119 terminated cases. Defendants on ICE hold was 62.

E. Felony Probation

Derek Gibson reported that for the month of March, they had 214 intakes; 94 terminations; 49 revocations; total of 1,636 technical violations which includes absconders; 5,938 active cases; 320 probation on GPS, with 171 on community control with house arrest.

VI. New Business

Bond Schedule Review Framework Discussion

Damir Kukec presented preliminary findings from the bond schedule review report. He gave an overview on how the subcommittee was formed, brief history on previous subcommittees, current membership, methodology, and preliminary findings. Mr. Kukec expressed appreciation to the Sheriff's Office for providing data or access to data which made the review possible. He also encouraged questions, and comments or suggestions, and reminded everyone that the findings were preliminary. He also announced that a bond review subcommittee meeting is being scheduled in the immediate future.

Mr. Kukec noted the review focused on all inmates in custody between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2018 specifically for six types of pre-trial releases, i.e., ROR – Release Own Recognizance, Cash Bail, Bail Bond (Surety), SOR – Supervised Own Recognizance, Cash Bail plus SOR, Bail Bond plus SOR (and Other). He discussed the trend through the years for these types of releases. He also discussed these releases by case type, e.g., felony, misdemeanor, and/or most serious offense, etc., average length of stay. A more detailed discussion on bonds, e.g. bond amounts, etc., also ensued.

Lastly, Mr. Kukec talked about the other aspects of the review, i.e., continued validation exercises which is comparing their results with other sources, to ensure reliability and validity. This means matching the data with the clerk data, JSIS (Pretrial), Florida Department of Law Enforcement Computerized Criminal History (CCH). Furthermore, the review will provide descriptive data on success while on Pretrial Release by Release Type, and run a regression model to explore predictive factors that drive success.

VII. Old Business

MacArthur Foundation Safety & Justice Challenge Project Update

No update was presented at this time.

VIII. Additional Member and Guest Comments

Dave Bernhardt announced that Commissioner Dave Kerner made a proclamation yesterday making the first week of May as Corrections Week and therefore recognized PBSO Corrections deputies and DJJ Corrections officers.

IX. Adjournment