



CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Clark County, Nevada

Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2022 – Webex Meeting, 1400 hours

Attendees:

AJ Delap, Police Officer - LVMPD	Martina Bauhaus, Asst. Gen Counsel - LVMPD
Andrew Walsh, Asst. Sheriff – LVMPD	Melisa De La Garza, Judge - LVJC
Belinda Harris, Judge – NLVJC	Melissa Saragosa, Chief Judge – LVJC
Bert Brown, Chief Judge – LVMC	Nita Schmidt, Captain - CCDC
Bitia Yeager, Judge - LVDC	Neldon Barrowes, Captain – CCDC
Cary Leavitt, Court Div. Admin - LVJC	Richard Segerblom, County Commissioner
Christopher Lalli, Assistant District Attorney	Ryan Toone, Judge - Mesquite
Damon Harris, Financial Officer – Clark County	Sandra Molina, DTSC – CCDC
Darin Imlay, Public Defender-Clark County	Sarah Hawkins, Chief Deputy Public Defender
David Gibson, Judge - Henderson	Scot Martin, Captain - NPP
Diana Sullivan, Judge – LVJC	Steve Grierson, Court Executive Officer - DC
Javier Rivera-Rojas, Asst to Segerblom	Steven Wolfson – District Attorney
Jeff Wells, ACA – Clark County	Terri March, Court Administrator – NLVJC
Jessica Gurley, Court Administrator – LVJC	Tim Burch, Director – CC Social Services
John Piro, Chief Public Defender – Clark County	Tiffany Bearden, SNAMHS
Jonathan Clark, Captain - CCDC	Thomas Eberly, Program Director, JMI
JoNell Thomas, Special Public Defender	Virginia Eichacker, Asst. PD – Clark County
Karen Powell, Court Admin – Outlying Courts	William Teel, Captain – CCDC
Marcie McMahill, Director – CCDC	Yolanda King, County Manager
Martin Orsinelli, Sr. Deputy City Atty – Las Vegas	

Opening Remarks and Objectives

- Roll call of the voting members was taken. Bitia Yeager is sitting in for Linda Bell. Ryan Toone is sitting in for Victor Miller. Joseph Lombardo is not present.

- Tom Eberly of the Justice Management Institute (JMI) presented a review of the results of the CJCC Assessment. The recommendations of the JMI are as follows:
 - Focus on making meetings more productive and generating results
 - Hire a highly qualified CJCC coordinator
 - Update the CJCC bylaws (add city councilmember)
 - Utilize committees and workgroups more effectively
 - Restore executive committee and rotate meetings with CJCC
 - Include community voices and expand diversity
 - Create and update the strategic plan
 - Produce quarterly trend data reports

- The position for the CJCC Coordinator has posted on the County’s HR website as a Principal Management Analyst and will run until April 15, 2022. County HR will prepare of list of qualified candidates. The position will administratively fall under Drew Christensen.

- Melissa Saragosa presented the 2022 Proposed Goals of the Clark County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. She moved to accept the goals, seconded by Ryan Toone, and all the voting members agreed to accept the goals. The goals are as follows:
 - Strengthen the presence and stability of the CJCC through recruitment and hiring of a CJCC Coordinator.
 - Determine the best course of action for long-term success in addressing the issues of behavioral health, homelessness, and co-occurring drug use.
 - Implement JMI’s action plan for LVJC Pretrial Services Division to provide equivalent pretrial services for the other townships of Clark County within the timeframe needed to conduct a pretrial release hearing in 48 hours per AB 424.
 - Implement a working framework for all townships of Clark County and the Eighth Judicial Court to conduct pretrial release hearings within 48 hours of arrest per AB 424.
 - Provide a criminal justice system that provides equity among all races and ethnicities.
 - Assess the dynamic of domestic violence in Clark County and develop strategies to reduce occurrence, reduce the number of denials or dismissal of cases and reduce the number of domestic homicides.
 - Ensure the criminal justice system has robust and successful Deflection/Diversion/Specialty Court programs that follow evidence-based practices and are adequately funded.

2022 Subcommittee Assignments

- Committee chairs have been asked to identify committee members and goals at the next CJCC meeting.

- Behavioral Health and Homelessness (Bita Yeager – Chair)
 - Please submit recommendations for co-chair and committee member positions directly to Bita Yeager.
 - A Sequential Intercept Model Mapping Report will be shared with committee members and other committees that requests the information, in hopes of developing strategies to address behavioral issues.

- Pretrial Services (Marcie McMahill and Melisa DeLaGarza – Co-chairs)
 - This sub-committee currently meets once a month and is focused on AB 424.
 - The sub-committee is working to streamline procedures and processes to increase efficiency between CCDC and Pretrial Services. There is the potential to add more staff to ensure the duties of AB 424 are met.
 - If anyone would like to join the meetings, please contact one of the co-chairs.
 - Challenges with the process of booking and pretrial will be addressed.

- AB 424
 - This committee is looking for a chair/co-chairs. The committee consists of judges from the outlying and rural courts. It was suggested that NLV Judge Tyrrell and Henderson Judge Bateman chair. The DA, PD and jail all need to remain on this subcommittee.
 - There is a goal of developing a plan 30 days before the July 1st deadline to work out any problems with the system.
 - Jeff Wells said that increased court staffing has been approved for May 1st, well ahead of the deadline. The PD will have their additional staffing in place before the deadline as well.

- Racial and Ethnic Equity (Richard Segerblom - Chair)
 - Belinda Harris volunteered to be on this sub-committee.
 - A list of sub-committee members will be presented at the next CJCC meeting.

- Domestic Violence (Jeff Wells – Chair)
 - Approved a scope of work for UNLV professors to do some data research.
 - Will be discussing potential legislative changes.

- Deflection/Diversion (John Piro – Chair)
 - This is a new sub-committee and several volunteered to join.

Topics

- Staffing Challenges for DSD Field Services
 - Jonathan Clark explained the duties of the Field Services Officers in transporting inmates to various locations for court and appointments and the challenges of movement given current staffing levels. With the return to in person court, there is a request for patience. Suggestions are welcome and appreciated.

Wrap Up

- New Business
 - Issues that can be addressed by one of the sub-committees can be brought to the attention of the CJCC.
 - Darin Imlay asked for current statistics for IA Court.
 - Andrew Walsh said there is a new ruling that those housed with Nevada Department of Corrections who have a trial will be housed at CCDCC during trial. This will put additional responsibilities upon Field Services for movements to court.

****Next meeting will be held on May 19, 2022, at 1400 hours.****

Meeting adjourned @ 1510 hours.