

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE BERNALILLO COUNTY  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL**

Thursday, August 16, 2018

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Second Judicial District Court, Third Floor Conference Room  
Lomas NW, Albuquerque

**I. Introductions and Announcements**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Justice Ed Chavez, chair of the BCCJCC. A quorum of members was present.

The following members were present: Chief Judge Nan Nash (SJDC), Chief Judge Edward Benavidez (Metro), Adolfo Mendez - proxy for Raúl Torrez (SJDA), Toni Abeyta and Ben Bauer (LOPD), Commissioner Maggie Hart Stebbins (Bern.Co.), Phil Snedeker – proxy for Angela Gieri (NMPPD, Linda Freeman (NMSC), Councilor Pat Davis – proxy for Sarita Nair. Chief Deputy Sheriff Brian Lindley (BCSO) – proxy for Manuel Gonzales

Members Absent: Manuel Gonzales III (BCSO), Chief Mike Geier (APD), Sarita Nair (COA) and Matthew Coyte (NMCDLA).

Other individuals present (according to sign in sheet): Linda Freeman (NMSC), Patricia M. Galindo (AOC), Julie M. Baca (Bern Co.), Gabriel Nims (Bern.Co.), Kelly Bradford (SJDC), Judge Stan Whitaker (SJDC), Judge Vidalia Chavez (Metro Court) Gilbert Jaramillo (SJDC), Lisa Schatz-Vance (SJDC), Zach Grant (Bern.Co.), Kelly Waterfall, Douglas Carver (NMSC), Sam Howarth (Bern.Co.), Brandy Toward (AODA), Damion Bradford (AODA)..

**II. New and Ongoing Activities**

**A. Approval of Minutes and Agenda**

Vice-Chair Chief Judge Nan Nash made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2018 CJCC meeting. Phil Snedeker seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved by members.

**B. Adding NM Sentencing Commission, as new Member to the CJCC**

Vice-Chair Chief Judge Nan Nash recommended at the July 26, 2018 meeting to include the NM Sentencing Commission as a voting member of the CJCC. Linda Freeman, Executive Director of the NM Sentencing Commission was asked if she was interested in being a part of the council and she expressed her interest. Vice-Chair Nash made a motion to approve the New Mexico Sentencing Commission (Linda Freeman) as new member to the BCCJCC, Commissioner Maggie Hart-Stebbins seconded the motion. Chair Justice Ed Chavez asked for any discussion, no discussion was made and appointment of Linda Freeman/NMSC was approved.

### **C. Update of County Behavioral Health Initiatives (Dept. of Behavioral Health)**

(This topic was deferred until 2:45pm)

1. Katrina Hotrum-Lopez shared a handout and provided an overview of County Behavioral Health initiatives and programs. For more info visit: <http://www.bernco.gov/health-and-public-safety/behavioral-health-approved-projects.aspx>

### **D. Working Group Updates**

#### 1. MDC Report - Gabriel Nims

The population at MDC dropped slightly from last month, but is still close to the population at this time last year. Mr. Nims said that this month's report is an abbreviated report that will be generated every other month. The longer-format report that was provided last month will again be provided for the September report and every other month following.

The Working Group met earlier in the week (Tuesday) to discuss ISR's report on the Probation Violation program (PV Program). Subject matter experts in the PV program from the DA's & PD's office, SJDC and Probation & Parole were in attendance to review/discuss the report and talk about the program in general. Overall, the program is working very well and some of the numbers and trends that are outlined in the report are going down partly due to the success of Probation and Parole implementing the STEPS program for supervision and graduated conditions.

Phil Snedeker (NMPPD) stated that all stakeholder agencies are working cooperatively in the program and helping make it a success. Mr. Snedeker offered that the STEPS program can serve as a model for other districts and that such best practices should have the support of the Supreme Court.

Judge Nash added that Bernalillo County should be commended for funding the PV program within SJDC (Pro Tems Judges and court staff) and its partners (DA and LOPD staff).

Mr. Snedeker added that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Probation & Parole program supervises more than 7700 people in the community.

Ms. Freeman stated that programs across the state are working and that the numbers of PV cases is dropping.

Mr. Nims stated that the second meeting of the Diversion and Reentry subcommittee was held 8/15/18. Most of the discussion involved progress on LEAD. Sam Howarth presented a draft MOU and draft Resolution which outline the key principles of LEAD. Stakeholders include the

City of Albuquerque, County of Bernalillo, Sheriff's department, APD, DA's Office and the Public Defender's Office. Sam suggested that the Resolution will be brought before the ABCGC (a combined City/County body overseeing many behavioral health initiatives). Partners at the subcommittee meeting will be taking the draft MOU for review and consideration at their agencies. Sam added that committee members, particularly law enforcement, will be meeting separately to consider the exclusionary and inclusionary criteria that individuals need to meet to be considered eligible for LEAD participation and to receive services.

Justice Chavez asked Ms. Freeman the status of the NM Sentencing Commission's evaluation of the LEAD Santa Fe program. Linda stated that her office is reviewing and receiving comments on the evaluation report and it should be published after approval of Santa Fe stakeholders.

Justice Nash asked if the subcommittee is going to look into treatment court participation as part of the charge. Mr. Nims stated that the subcommittee's plate is full at this time as other issues are going on, but it can be brought up and considered at an upcoming meeting. Justice Nash asked Mr. Nims to keep them updated on planning because she thinks the CJCC will be expected to answer questions about the efficacy of and efforts to improve specialty courts in the next Legislative session, as suggested in the recent LFC report.

#### **E. Discussion of recent University of Cincinnati visit**

Justice Chavez asked for feedback from those who were involved in the recent visit by members of the Institute of Crime Science at the University of Cincinnati. Justice Chavez gave some background on the purpose of the visit and what the Univ. of Cincinnati team will be providing in terms of a report. Justice Chavez also chairs the statewide Criminal Justice and Public Safety task force. That body has consistently identified data collection, integration and sharing of data, research and analysis as key needs. He expects the task force to include data integration as a key recommendation in its upcoming report to the Legislature.

#### **F. Call for participants on the Data and Technology Subcommittee**

A subcommittee was approved by the CJCC at a previous meeting. The purpose is to determine how integrating data can help improve criminal justice system outcomes. Mr. Nims added that the CJCC forming a subcommittee with focus on Data Integration will reinforce the findings of in the LFC report and signal to the Legislature that Bernalillo county is serious about finding workable solutions to integrating criminal justice data in this jurisdiction.

Justice Nash advised that the subcommittee should include at least one representative from each stakeholder entity and that an email be sent to set up a meeting in September. Members informally voiced support for moving forward in populating the subcommittee and having a meeting within the next couple of weeks. Mr. Nims or Justice Chavez will send an email to CJCC members calling for participants on the subcommittee. A kickoff meeting will be scheduled and held prior to next CJCC meeting.

Justice Chavez asked Damion Bradford and Brandy Toward from the AODA to demonstrate the capabilities of the state DA Case Management system (CMS). Damion and Brandy displayed the CMS and showed the data points collected and how the system can query and report on cases throughout all 13 districts. All data must be entered the same and automation of documents in the courtroom can be produced at time of hearing.

The CMS also sends out notifications to victims, and to law enforcement on hearings (to attend or not attend). Judge Whitaker asked how the notifications are sent to officers. Each officer would need to be registered and would have a specific identifier. This would allow each officer to be notified via text, email or phone call.

**G. Commission Members – additional issues of interest**

No additional issues of interest were mentioned.

Justice Chavez declared meeting adjourned at 4:02pm.

**III. Next Meeting** – September 20, 2018, Second Judicial District Court, third floor conference room, 2:00 pm.