

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

Thursday February 21, 2019

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

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

**I. Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Commissioner Maggie Hart-Stebbins, Chair of the BCCJCC. A quorum of members was present.

The following members were present: Commissioner Maggie Hart Stebbins (Bernco), Judge Stanley Whitaker (SJDC), Judge Sandra Engel (Metro), Adolfo Mendez - proxy for Raúl Torrez (SJDA), Jeff Rein (LOPD), Phil Snedeker (NMPPD), Gilbert Ramirez – proxy for Sarita Nair (COA), Bryan Lindley-proxy for Manuel Gonzales (BCSO), Commander Mizel Garcia – proxy for Chief Geier (APD)

Members Absent: NM Sentencing Commission, AOC, NMCDLA

Other individuals present (according to sign in sheet): Damon P. Martinez (COA-APD), Tonie Abeyta (LOPD), Jennifer Barela (LOPD), Julie Morgas Baca (Bernco), Commissioner Charlene Pyskoty (Bernco), Ken Martinez (Bernco), Gabriel Nims (Bernco), Palmela Reed (Bernco), Kelly Bradford (AOC), Retired Chief Judge Nan Nash Judge Yvette Gonzales (Metro Court), Joy Willis (SJDC), Gilbert Jaramillo (SJDC), Councilor Pat Davis (COA), Judge Charles Brown (SJDC), Zach Grant (Bernco.), Kelly Waterfall, Teresa Trujillo (US Probation), Cisco McSorely (NM Probation & Parole), Cheryl Hobbs (NM Probation & Parole), Michelle Velarde (NM Dept of Workforce Solutions), Daniel Garcia (AOC), Jason Weaks.

**II. New and Ongoing Activities**

**A. Review of minutes from previous meeting**

Motion to approve minutes: Commissioner Hart-Stebbins makes motion to approve, Phil Snedeker seconds the motion. Eight votes in favor of approving the Jan. 24, 2019 CJCC minutes, Judge Engel abstained due to not being present.

**B. Discussion/adding representative from City Council as member**

Chair Hart-Stebbins opened discussion regarding adding an Albuquerque City Council member as a voting member of the CJCC. Councilor Pat Davis has expressed interest in participating in with the CJCC. The CJCC bylaws outlines how the council can add members. Ret. Judge Nash suggested the council look at the membership of other CJCCs affiliated with the National CJCC network to consider the size and representation on different councils. Discussion also considered maintaining balance between voting members and associated entities. Members agreed to consider membership and composition of the CJCC as part of the upcoming strategic planning effort.

**C. Selection of CJCC Vice-Chair**

Commissioner Hart-Stebbins opened discussion of selecting a CJCC Vice-Chair. Discussion included consideration of proceeding to select a Vice-Chair or waiting until later. Commissioner Hart-Stebbins made a motion to proceed with the nomination. Members voted 8 to 1 in favor of proceeding with selecting a Vice-Chair. Adolfo Mendez nominated Judge Engel. Gilbert Ramirez nominated Mr. Damon Martinez. Each nominee expressed their interest in the position. A vote of was taken for each nominee. Judge Engel received 2 votes, and Mr. Martinez received 7 votes. Mr. Damon Martinez elected as Vice-Chair of the BCCJCC.

**D. Discussion with former Chair Ed Chavez**

Commissioner Hart-Stebbins introduced former Chair Justice Chavez (ret.) to answer questions and provide feedback on the CJCC. Justice Chavez mentioned that this body has accomplished a lot since 2013 and that discussions and collaboration in the group and between stakeholders is important for moving reforms forward. Partly because of what the Bernalillo county CJCC has been able to do, the state legislature wants to create CJCCs in other state judicial districts.

**E. CJCC Discussion of Criminal Justice-related bills**

Jason Weaks joined a discussion via speakerphone about HB267. Justice Chavez added his thoughts about the bill's progression through committee hearings and where it currently stands.

**F. CJCC Strategic Planning Discussion**

There was a discussion about presenting to members options for completing a CJCC strategic plan over coming months.

**G. County Behavior Health Initiative (BHI) update**

Margarita Chavez, Deputy Director of the Bernalillo county Department of Behavioral Health Services, provided a general overview of the county Behavioral Health Initiatives (BHI) implemented and in development.

**H. Subcommittee Update**

Gabe provided the monthly jail population report covering January 2019.

**I. Additional Issues**

None mentioned. Commissioner Hart-Stebbins adjourned meeting at 3:58pm.

**III. Next meeting:** March 21, 2019, Second Judicial District Court, third floor conference room, 2:00 pm.