

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

Thursday, December 20, 2018

1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

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

I. Introductions and Announcements

The meeting was called to order at 1:35pm by Justice Edward Chavez, Chair of the BCCJCC. A quorum of members was present.

Members present: Justice Edward Chavez (Chair), Chief Judge Nan Nash (SJDC), Commissioner Maggie Hart Stebbins (BernCo), Phil Snedeker (NMPPD), Matthew Coyte (NMCDLA), Commander Mizel Garcia – proxy for Chief Geier (APD), Gilbert Ramirez – proxy for Sarita Nair (COA), Jeff Rein (LOPD), Linda Freeman (NMSC), Judge Sandra Engel (Metro)

Members absent: Sheriff Brian Lindley – proxy for Manuel Gonzales (BCSO), Artie Pepin (AOC), Adolfo Mendez-proxy for Raúl Torrez (DA’s Office)

Other individuals present (according to sign in sheet/introductions): Ken Martinez (BernCo), Julie Morgas-Baca (BernCo.), Chief Judge Stan Whitaker (SJDC), Gabriel Nims (BernCo), Lucy Bartel (SJDA), Kelly Waterfall, Lisa Schatz-Vance (SJDC), Gilbert Jaramillo (SJDC), Zach Grant (BernCo), Joy Willis (SJDC), Sam Howarth (DBHS), Patrick Trujillo (NMAC), Chief Ralph Fernandez (BernCo/MDC), Rosanne Otero (BernCo/MDC), Travis McIntyre (LFC), Pat Davis (CABQ Councilor), Douglas Carver (NM Sentencing Commission), Judge Yvette Gonzales (Metro Court), Jennifer Barela (LOPD), Heather LeBlanc (LOPD), Christopher Knight, Robert Padilla (Metro Court), Jason Weaks (Weaks Law), Ben Bauer (Chief Defender), Rod Rolston (Bernco)

II. New and Ongoing Activities

A. Review of minutes from previous meeting (draft minutes attached).

Motion to Approve: Pat Davis; Second: Judge Nash; Approved Unanimously.

B. Subcommittee Updates

a. Working Group

Mr. Nims shared that the Working Group discussed UNM ISR’s progress on phase I analysis of the Public Safety Assessment (PSA) implementation. Due to the tight timeline to complete some level of analysis, it was decided to limit the sample size for this initial review.

Matthew Coyte provided some feedback on the issue of petty misdemeanor arrests. Overall, there are fewer PM arrests than in years past, but a dozen or more still occur per month for various reasons. Mr. Coyte reviewed the criminal complaints for many of the cases on the list provided by the county and he was some improvement in the types of arrests. The police department is doing a better job trying to triage people. He also talked about not arresting mentally ill people or people who are making disturbances in small businesses who are

transported miles away to be booked only to then release them the next day. Mr. Coyte remarked that it's good they're being released quickly, but some of these arrests could be avoided entirely. Mr. Coyte suggested reengaging with law enforcement to discuss existing alternatives to taking people to jail under these circumstances.

Mr. Nims notified members he has requested county webmasters to develop a JCC website which will include the archives and business related to the committee and a little more detail of what type of work and what the JCC role is. Once ready, Mr. Nims will share a link to the draft site to collect feedback from members about content and design.

Mr. Nims notified members of efforts underway to address the issue of timeliness of competency evaluations. SJDC is partnering with HSD on a pilot effort to support in house evaluators. Judge Nash stated the agreement with HSD involves hiring two competency evaluators. SJDC will ensure designees from LOPD and the DA's Office sit on the interview teams. Judge Nash clarified the program involves HSD is paying for evaluators and that the County has agreed to provide an office manager to make sure things are scheduled and things run smoothly.

b. Diversion and Reentry

Sam Howarth notified members of progress towards establishment of a county Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program (LEAD). An MOU between the City, County, DA, LOPD and others is complete. Bernalillo County is collaborating with local law enforcement and leaders from the Santa Fe LEAD program to coordinate training and establishing SOPs, etc. Mr. Howarth and the Technical Advisor from SF LEAD are discussing the evaluation plan with UNM ISR. The Department of Behavioral Health Services (DBHS) is actively recruiting and selecting a LEAD case manager. The approved Behavioral Health Initiative funds (\$250,000) for the program will allow for up to 4-5 additional case managers.

Mr. Nims notified members that the Jail and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP) will kickoff in January and will involve a subset of members or designees involved in the Diversion & Reentry subcommittee. More info to come.

c. Data and Technology

Mr. Nims discussed that one purpose of the Data & Tech subcommittee is to reach higher level of data integration within the criminal justice system. The subcommittee is considering developing a white paper to present to JID (Judicial Information Division) and JIFFY under AOC that describes the opportunities and challenges for sharing Odyssey data more effectively with CJ stakeholders. Judge Nash remarked that one key issue impacting JID's ability to work with stakeholders is that it's vastly under resourced. Justice Chavez added that it would be helpful to the legislature if Bernalillo County stakeholders outlined the resources needed to achieve data integration and sharing.

C. Update on MDC Jail Management System Upgrade (Bernco)

Rod Rolston gave a short presentation about implementing a new jail management system for YSC and MDC over the next 18 months. The project is one of the highest priorities for the county and will vastly improve systems and operations at MDC and allow for new opportunities

to share data between systems. The next steps include working with partners to establish MOUs to create integrations and share data across systems.

D. Collecting CJCC input on CMO (fulfilling NMSC request)

Justice Chavez reminded members to provide feedback on the CMO implementation to the NMSC, at their request on or before January 7, 2019.

E. Discussion of CJCC's role supporting relevant state legislation. Justice Chavez, Judge Nash, and Jason Weaks discussed their perspectives for how the CJCC can and should provide its opinion on relevant state legislation. Draft legislation is still under consideration and may not be ready for CJCC members to review in advance of January meetings. Members agreed to move the January CJCC meeting to the 24th.

F. CJCC review of Criminal Justice-related draft bills

Justice Chavez notified members of his involvement with the LFC to help draft broad criminal justice legislation, some of which involves the establishment and activities of CJCCs around the state. Justice Chavez advised that he is expecting a new version of the legislation in question and hopes to collect feedback from the CJCC and its members once it is ready. Justice Chavez explained to Judge Engel that the draft bill in question is called the Crime Reduction Fund Act and it is intended to develop grant programs that would distribute money to criminal justice agencies around the state. Money would go to various agencies that have the expertise in best practices. CJ Coordinating Councils would apply to the agency for money for its members even if it's a behavioral health program such as LEAD. A draft will be available in early January.

G. Additional issues of interest

Justice Chavez notified members that he is resigning as chair of the CJCC. Members thanked him for his service. Judge Nash requested the January CJCC meeting include discussion of selecting new leadership for the CJCC.

III. Next Meeting – Thursday January 24, 2019 Second Judicial District Court, third-floor conference room, 2:00pm.