

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

Thursday October 17, 2019, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Metropolitan Court, Jury Room, Second Floor
401 Lomas Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, NM

I. Introductions

Damon Martinez, Vice Chair of the CJCC, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum of members was present.

The following members were present: Bernalillo County Attorney Ken Martinez-proxy for Chair Maggie Hart-Stebbins (Bernco), Vice Chair Damon Martinez (APD), Joy Willis-proxy for Chief Judge Stan Whitaker (SJDC), Chief Judge Sandra Engel (Metro), Adolfo Mendez-proxy for Raúl Torrez (SJDA), Heather LeBlanc-proxy for Jeff Rein (LOPD), Gilbert Ramirez – proxy for Sarita Nair (COA), Ray Chavez, Chief Deputy Sheriff-proxy for Manuel Gonzales (BCSO), Wendy Rehm-proxy for Cheryl Hobbs (NMCD/PPD)

Members Absent: Chief Mike Geier (APD)

Other individuals present (according to sign in sheet): Jason Weaks (BernCo), Gabriel Nims (BernCo.), Chief Ralph Fernandez (BernCo/MDC), Tonie Abeyta (LOPD), Christopher Knight (LOPD), Judge Cindy Leos (SJDC), Judge Yvette Gonzales (Metro Court), Robert Padilla (Metro Court), Peter Cuba, Joy Willis (SJDC), Kelly Waterfall, Kelly Villanueva (LOPD), Lisa Schatz-Vance (SJDC), Phil Snedeker (NMPPD), Liz Garcia (SJDC), Marshall Dixon (SJDC), Ellen Braden (COA), Janeen Arble (NMCD), Undersheriff Larry Koren (BCSO), Jane Braithwaite for Representative Melanie Stansbury, Jonathan Gardner (NMAGO), Max Kauffman (LOPD), Elise Ferguson (UNM ISR), Pamela Acosta (BernCo DBHS), Sam Howarth (Bernco DBHS), Maggie Shepard (LOPD), Frances Bazan (NMCS/PPD), Esteban Aguilar, Jr. (CABQ), Sen. Cisco McSorely (Parole Board)

II. New and Ongoing Activities

A. Review & Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Mr. Damon Martinez makes a motion to approve minutes from September 15, 2019 meeting. None opposed. Minutes approved.

B. Discussion: Updates on AOT and Competency Program (SJDC)

Ms. Lisa Schatz-Vance (SJDC) and Ms. Ellen Braden (COA) gave a presentation to update members on two programs: 1) the Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) program and 2) the Competency Evaluation program.

C. Discussion: Strategic Plan and Orientation Packet

Mr. Damon Martinez recognized Judge Nash's diligent work drafting of the CJCC strategic plan. Mr. Nims opened the floor for discussion and feedback on the drafted plan. He encouraged members to do a final look at the draft and provide feedback to Judge Nash to incorporate into a final draft. The expectation is to adopt the strategic plan as a body at the November CJCC meeting. Mr. Nims asked members to pay special attention to the last 4-5 pages of the plan that detail the strategic areas that will be the main focus of the CJCC over the next 6-12 months. Going forward, the CJCC intends to keep the strategic plan as a roadmap that will be revisited and refreshed annually. Staff and members should track progress towards attaining the goals and objectives and capturing progress along the way.

Mr. Nims also mentioned that staff has completed a draft CJCC New Member Orientation Packet, fulfilling a requirement in the CJCC bylaws. The packet provides new members with a basic orientation and background of the CJCC.

D. Discussion: Data Integration Grant status update

Mr. Jason Weaks (Bernco) discussed updates concerning the grant with the New Mexico Sentencing Commission (NMSC) Data Integration Grant (DIG) program. County Legal and NMSC are working together to finalize the IGA and should be ready soon. There have been ongoing discussions with NM Tech's ICASA group to partner on the project. ICASA team members are working with the CJCC DIG team to schedule "discovery" meetings with key stakeholders.

Members expressed concerns about what specific data the project will be working with and how access and other issues will be addressed with the project. Mr. Nims and Mr. Jason Weaks addressed the concerns and noted that there is still a long way to go in the process and they are still working with NM Tech to help identify what information will be easiest to access and what will have the broadest benefit to the stakeholders.

E. Subcommittee Updates

Ms. Joy Willis (SJDC) gave updates on working group starting with discussion had about the Probation Violation program. A recent tracking report showed PV violations are taking a longer to be heard in District Court and that the numbers of hearings has gone down. District Court agreed to take a look at how it is calendaring and scheduling the hearings and to pin point where there may be an issue. The DA's office and LOPD were also planning to meet and talk about the rocket docket and see what may causing the slow down there.

Working group also discussed Metro preliminary pleas that District Court is currently taking and what possible solutions for Metro Court to hear misdemeanor pleas at the prelim program. Meetings will occur soon with Probation and Parole officials discuss a possible MOU confirming APPO will supervise those individuals. District Court is working out details for possibly hearing probation violations under the PV program in District Court instead of Metro having to hear PV violations for these cases.

LOPD raised concerns about JID's project to transition from SOPA to re:Search. It was suggested by Judge Nash and agreed by the group to possibly have the CJCC sign a letter that outlines the concerns with the switch to send to JID leadership.

The court's cell phone policies was raised as an issue of concern. District Court is planning on meeting internally to discuss the issue. There was information that was gathered regarding numerous policies throughout the Country with others states' cell phone policies. It was agreed to discuss this matter further in the next working group.

Mr. Damon Martinez noted that the Law Enforcement subcommittee has not met this month but will be meeting next Thursday at the APD Building and asked member to bring up any issues they may have to bring to the working group.

Mr. Nims briefly discussed Diversion & Reentry subcommittee which met in September and will be meeting again on Tuesday the 22nd. The system analysis was introduced at the last group and the document is being finalized. The subcommittee does want to continue to operate and tackle some of the recommendations of that were outlined in the study.

Mr. Peter Cubra stressed the significance of Strategy 2 in the Strategic Plan: Enhance Behavioral Health Services for Justice Involved Individuals to the group.

F. Council Members-Additional issues of interest

Mr. Damon Martinez opened up discussion regarding a possible letter to send to JID regarding the switch from SOPA to re:Search addressing concerns raised by members. Mr. Ken Martinez suggested that a proposed letter, if any, should state any objection by individual members to proceeding. Mr. Christopher Knight (LOPD) gave a brief presentation about his office's concerns with the court data access upgrade project. CJCC members raised concerns about sending the letter to JID and the relationship the courts have with JID. Mr. Martinez suggested that the letter be sent out to everyone within the next day or two and have everyone review for input and/or approval.

Mr. Adolfo Mendez (DA Office) notified the group that there will be a community based crime reduction and prevention event coming in the International District this Saturday.

Ms. Jennifer Barela asked the DA's to update them on who to contact regarding the matters that Mr. Greenlee was handling before he left. Judge Engel also would like the contact information in who would be taking over.

Ms. Joy Willis thanked Metro Court for their cooperation in a competency meeting where they were able to come up with some solutions to various problems they were having. She also notified everyone that the Preliminary Program is back up and running at District and if anyone had any questions or concerns to contact them.

There was also discussion amongst the members about what to plan for asking in budget and what for as a CJCC for the next legislative session.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:02 pm.

Next Meeting: November 21, 2019, District Court, 3rd Floor Conference Room



Signed Chair or Vice Chair