



Executive Committee

Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 12:15 pm
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Meeting Minutes

1) Call to Order

Chief Judge Mary Triggiano, CJC Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:18 pm. Roll call and introductions were unnecessary; staff took attendance to ensure a quorum.

2) Impact of COVID-19 on the Criminal Justice System - Point-in-Time Update and Discussion

Chair Triggiano began a discussion regarding the impact of the pandemic on the court and its operations. She also invited others to speak about the effects felt within their offices and agencies. She noted several criminal justice system partners continue to meet on Tuesday mornings to provide operational updates related to COVID-19 and problem-solve any emerging challenges. Staffing shortages and case backlogs remain the top concern. Tom Reed, Superintendent Jewell, and others provided updates regarding their operational impacts.

3) State of WI Legislative Update – Jordan Primakow, Intergovernmental Relations

Jordan Primakow provided an overview of the current legislative session that is likely to close at the end of February. Jordan indicated this timeline has created a substantial flow of legislation so that hearings can occur before the end of next month. The committee discussed a variety of bills associated to the criminal justice system and public safety. Jordan offered to provide additional updates next month, as well.

4) Other Public Safety Updates from the City of Milwaukee – Chief Jeffrey Norman, Milwaukee Police Department

Chief Norman provided a comprehensive overview of the current priorities of the Milwaukee Police Department. Norman stated that violent crime and reckless driving remain a top priority and challenge for the city of Milwaukee. The city is collaborating with partners including, but not limited to the Milwaukee Homicide Review Commission (MHRC) and Office of Violence Prevention (OVP) to get ahead of and tackle the current challenges in a data-driven, multi-faceted way. With staffing trending downward, using resources more efficiently and creating a plan with the CCC for community engagement have become a greater priority.

5) CJC Subcommittee and CJC Affiliated Committee Updates – Mandy Potapenko, CJC Director

Director Potapenko provided a written report and updated the committee on a host of work underway in the CJC subcommittees and affiliated groups. Director Potapenko highlighted the history and growth of the CJC's Reentry Committee, which was reconstituted in 2016 as a reentry task force. The Committee had nearly seven hundred attendees over the course of 2021. Director Potapenko expressed a deep commitment to continuing community engagement, as well as strategic planning efforts, to ensure clarity and a balanced, inclusive, approach to priority setting.

Erin Perkins provided an update on the MacArthur Foundation's Safety and Justice Challenge efforts. The team's next annual report is due to the Foundation at the end of February 2022. Under the SJC initiative, the CJC was able to create a community subgrant opportunity at the end of 2021. The four subgrant awardees are finalizing their



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fiscal contracts with UWM, the County's fiscal agent for these funds. A public announcement, and the naming of the awardees, will follow once their contracts are fully executed. Lastly, a virtual SJC Network Meeting is approaching. Any interested participants are encouraged to reach out to Mandy and/or Erin Perkins.

Dr. Constance (Connie) Kostelac updated the committee on both OD- and VR-PHAST. Overdoses continue to be on the rise and the OD-PHAST team is working on an in-depth data analysis, as well as public-facing dashboards in partnership with OEM, to advance the public's awareness and understanding of overdose trends. Connie shared that the VR-PHAST team and its task forces continue to meet weekly to collaboratively address the increase in violence. It was announced late last year that VR-PHAST received a BCJI grant that will help support additional positions dedicated to the VR-PHAST effort. MCW has officially accepted those grant dollars and other subrecipients are working through their respective processes to add positions into MPD and DHHS.

In late 2021, Director Potapenko was one of five individuals across the country to receive an invitation from the Justice Management Institute (JMI) and the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) to draft the first-ever national CJCC standards. The first writing session was set for January 2022 in Washington DC; however, it has been postponed to March of 2022 due to the recent rise in COVID-19.

6) Any Other Business and Public Comment – None noted.

7) Adjourn

Chair Triggiano adjourned the meeting at 1:24pm. The next CJC Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at 12:15pm via Zoom.

January 19, 2022 – CJC Executive Committee Meeting Attendees

Members Present: Mary Triggiano, Chantell Jewell, Shakita LaGrant, Constance Kostelac, Niel Thoreson, Luann Anderson, David Crowley, Tom Reed, Willie Johnson Jr., Jeffrey Norman, John Chisholm, Margaret Daun, Walter Lanier

Delegates Present: Jordan Primakow (on behalf of Mayor Cavalier Johnson), Sheldyn Himle (on behalf of Judge Derek Mosley), Ken Gales (on behalf of US Attorney Rich Frohling)

Staff Present: Mandy Potapenko, Erin Perkins, Alyssa Doman, Jarvell Williams

Others Present: Carl Ashley, Jeanne Geraci, Steve Caballero, Timothy Schabo, Luis Hernandez