

Napa County Community Corrections Partnership Council
Regular Meeting – August 30, 2011
Minutes

Call to Order by Chair Mary Butler at 3:35 pm

In attendance: Ron Abernathy, Susan Altman, Brian Banducci, Mark Boessenecker, Mary Butler, Terry Davis, Rick Feldstein, Britt Ferguson, DJ Johnson, Jamie Johnson, Gary Lieberstein, Rich Melton, Connie Moreno-Peraza, Barbara Nemko, Randy Snowden, Jaye Vanderhurst, Lenard Vare.

Absent: Doug Koford, David Lovell, Lee Philipson, Steve Potter, John Robertson.

Minutes from July 12, August 5, and August 16, 2011, were reviewed. Seven required for quorum, Proxies not allowed. Approval of the three sets of Minutes moved, seconded, and approved with one correction: Connie Moreno-Peraza's name misspelled.

Public comments: Veterans Home members would be willing to offer unofficial community assistance to offenders who are veterans.

Draft Realignment Plan: Strategy Section (pages 8-9) discussed. Modifications suggested: under *Pretrial defendants*, add: Prefile Diversion Programs, IRC (Inebriated Reception Center) or short-term detox, and community referrals and linkages. Change *Probation Violators* to *Probation and Post-Release Community Supervision Violators*, and change *Offenders Sentenced to Jail* to *Sentenced Offenders* to allow broader use. Under *Sentenced Offenders*, add education and treatment programs, assessments, pre-release programs, community based supervision, and housing assistance. These and other suggestions will be incorporated into a new version, to be provided to everyone at the next meeting.

Restitution: Discussion of prison jobs and jail industries that allow prisoners to pay their restitution, with possible Honor Farm vocational programs built into long term design for our new jail.

Packets from State: Probation Dept. is currently receiving packets on the first jail inmates to be released here. Expect 10 packets by October; State promises to send them 30 days before release. Some offenders were not arrested here, but are being returned here as their last known address is in Napa County. Legislation to allow transfer between counties is currently in the works. We expect a total of 70 former prison inmates by July 2013.

Fire Camp: Lenard Vare reported that CalFire will lose 4,000 inmates due to this program. County can rent back beds from State to put prisoners back on that program, but Sheriffs do have the ability to run Fire Camps themselves. Both solutions would be costly for the county.

Intake Process: There is a need to develop a transition plan for those returning here from prison. Probation doesn't currently have authority to arrest if prisoners do not report within the stated time, however new legislation promises to fix that problem.

Handouts: Discussion held until the next meeting. Handouts to be emailed to everyone before the next meeting.

Adjourn: 5:00 pm

Next meeting: Thursday September 22, 2011 at 2:00 pm in Probation Conference Room.