

Napa County Community Corrections Partnership Council
Regular Meeting – November 3, 2011
Minutes

Call to Order by Chair Mary Butler at 2:03 pm

In attendance: Ron Abernathy, Mark Boessenecker, Mary Butler, Terry Davis, Rick Feldstein, Britt Ferguson, Jamie Johnson, David Lovell, Rich Melton, Connie Moreno-Peraza, Barbara Nemko, Amanda Owens, Lee Philipson, Randy Snowden, Jaye Vanderhurst, Lenard Vare, and Silva Darbinian for Susan Altman.

Absent: Susan Altman, Brian Banducci, Elizabeth Habkirk, DJ Johnson, Doug Koford, Gary Lieberstein, Mark Luce, and Steve Potter.

Public Comments: Tom Sarbeck, Parliamentarian from California Veterans Home, conveyed that Vets Home members are willing to help probationers who are veterans in any way they can. Allied Council has appointed him to keep in touch with the CCP in hopes that their services will be needed.

Approval of Minutes: September 22, 2011 Regular Meeting – M/S Nemko/Snowden, unanimously approved
October 13, 2011 Regular Meeting – M/S Snowden/Davis, unanimously approved

Status of Realignment: Projections for October were for ten clients; six packets received, only three actually came to Napa County. Six to eight expected for November; however, some may have warrants from other counties and be sent there instead. Per Judge Boessenecker, split sentences (combination of jail time and supervision) are now being negotiated by the Court or attorneys. This differs from negotiated prison sentences which did not include parole. If the entire sentence is served in jail, no supervision follows. With a split sentence, supervision time is negotiated at the time of sentencing.

McAlister Institute Treatment & Education (MITE): HHS Deputy Director Connie Moreno-Peraza gave a presentation on this new residential substance abuse program to begin operating mid-November in the same location as the former Project 90, on the grounds of Napa State Hospital. MITE has over 30 years' experience with detoxification and residential treatment, and their license is pending for 10 detox beds and 20 short term residential treatment beds, numbers which will be flexible. They use evidence based curriculum, with varied placement periods as needed by the client, and will have bilingual counselors and a fee for service contract, resulting in a lower rate than the previous provider. HHS Access Program (253-4063) will oversee this program; Probation will have eight dedicated beds and the majority of MITE beds will be for those in the criminal justice system. The CEO is Jeanne McAlister, the Napa Program Director is Mike Franz. Please come to a reception and presentation of their program at HHS, Building F, Rooms F-111 and F-112 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm Friday, November 18th. An Open House is planned for December or early January. Meanwhile, an interim detox arrangement exists with Turning Point. Three clients have been placed; they have six residential beds, but no Spanish-speaking services.

Update on CMSP: Per Randy Snowden, they are still working on the issues with some progress. He will report back when a resolution occurs.

Pre-Trial Program: Probation began this program this week. Two probation officers (J. Longoria and S. Dalessi) have been interviewing in jail, sending seven reports over the first three days resulting in release before trial. Jail staff has been very helpful and the system is working well so far. Per Lenard Vare, the jail population today is at 270 instead of the more difficult 300 they had previously.

Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

- Law Enforcement Committee is meeting regularly to catch issues early.
- Court Committee is meeting regularly.
- Corrections/Sanctions Committee meeting weekly to revise County Parole Board and Home Detention policies, to determine what programs and sanctions to put into place, and to identify good candidates for release.
- Community Outreach Committee – Mary Butler met with editorial board at NV Register, Gary Lieberstein appeared on Jeff Schectman's KVON afternoon program to discuss realignment, and Lenard Vare met with the NV Architect group and will be meeting with Rotary to discuss jail issues.

Future Agenda Items: CalRAP group will be looking at Realignment December 1st and 2nd. A San Diego County Deputy D.A. will be presenting an eight-hour training on Realignment in Napa Thursday, January 12, 2012, in the Main Street Conference Room. The DDA has been doing training on Realignment across the state. Attorneys who attend will receive MCLE credit.

Next meeting would be Thursday, November 24, 2011, which is Thanksgiving Day. It was decided to skip this meeting rather than attempting to reschedule.

Next meeting: Thursday, December 15, 2011 at 2:00 pm in the Probation Conference Room.

Adjourn: 2:52 pm