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REGULAR MEETING

NAPA COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday **JULY 14, 2022** 12:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER - WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Call to Order at 12:00 p.m.

Present: Ron Abernethy, Mariana Betancourt, Ferlyn Buenafe, Craig Burch, Bob Fleshman; Amanda Gibbs; Karen Graff, Dina Jose, Cassandra Eslami; Jennifer Gonzales; Allison Haley; Alejandra Mendieta-Bedolla, Oscar Ortiz, Doug Parker, Sundy Pech; Fabio Rodriguez, Daniel Sanchez, Lindsay Stark, Brad Wagenknecht; Jennifer Yasumoto

Quorum present

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Yolanda Schronbrun from League of Women Voter's of Napa County is present as an observer. No Public comment at this time.

3. MEETING MINUTES

Consider approving the May 12, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Ron Abernethy, with correction

Second: Oscar Ortiz

Motion carries.

4. INTRODUCTIONS

5. CCP PLAN

Discussion around the plan due to the Board of State Community Corrections in December. Let Chief Gibbs know if interested in being a part of the multi-agency assessment team.

6. OPERATIONAL UPDATES

A. REENTRY – Report from the Corrections and Probation Department

A request to repurpose the reentry facility for the homeless population has been extended through January 31, 2023. There was further discussion around the reentry facility.

B. PRETRIAL – Report from Superior Court and the Probation Department

Pre-trial pilot project grant has ended as of July 1st. We will continue receiving monies from SB 129 which was implemented because the state wanted to expand pre-trial services across the state. There was further discussion around SB 129.

C. JAIL POPULATION – Report from the Corrections Department on the current population

The jail population is 223 inmates, with four Covid positive cases. There are currently 12 inmates that preliminarily can be moved into the re-entry facility, but safely five or six people can be moved. There is ongoing work regarding the reentry facility. New jail is out for bids, more information on costs will be out in about two months.

D. STATUS OF REALIGNMENT FROM PARTNERS – Roundtable discussion from Members and Community Partners

Courts: State budget was generous to the courts this year. This will enable us to continue to invest in things related to information security and enhancing our case management system. Legislative items, effective July 1st, were also in the budget around fines and fees. Civil assessments are being reduced from the maximum of \$300 for failing to appear or failing to pay to the maximum of \$100. All unpaid civil assessments, no matter how old or recent they are, have been vacated. The court just finished crediting over 41,000 cases that were impacted, totaling over \$11M.

Board of Supervisors: Jail bids closing September 22, 2022.

Sherriff: No update.

Distict Attorney: District Attorney's office is very backed up right now, waves of Covid has run through staff. Office still trying to recruitment. Interested in how this organization will meet the issues of our mentally ill defendants as we are seeing a lot if those cases.

Police Department: Our new Lieutenant, Chris Pacheco, started on Monday. Another lieutenant will be starting in two (2) weeks, her name is Veronica Rodriguez she is coming out of Berkeley. In the hiring process of replacing our records administrator.

Public Defender: Continuing to see applications for mental health diversions. Though no formal diversion program has been developed, county mental health has people assigned to see if they can find the personnel to be able to run that. Through CARE Court there has been some substantial changes, at the moment Public Defender's are going to be cut out entirely and individuals will need to find legal aid or other attorneys to represent them in Court. The issue for CARE Court is how will counties pay for all of of the obligations being put on them.

CEO's Office: Gathering expenditure data for FY21-22 and working on the report for this committee for the September meeting.

Health and Human Services (HHS): Formal introduction of the new Behavioral Health Director, Cassandra Eslami who started June 27th. She comes from Santa Cruz county and has a strong background there working in the acute and behavioral health crisis team. There will be a change in staffing that will result a change in the composition of the CCP. The Deputy Director of Alcohol and Drug, who has been part of this committee will be rotating off as she is leaving the county. Currently working with HR to modify this position because it won't be at the Deputy Director level in our organization. Our medication clinic will be issuing RFP to contract an organization who will provide psychiatry services.

Victim Services: No update.

CCSC: Sundy Pech has stepped into role as program manager. Next Wednesday, July 20th, she will be hosting our next in-person graduation at 5:30 p.m. at Embassy Suites. 11 participants will be graduating from the program.

Probation: The department is engaged has been in a robust strategic planning process for the last few months and were generous to have the collaboration of the Court and county looking at our new strategic plan which will be launching in the next month. We are looking at what our strategic initiatives will be for the next three (3) years. Excited about this opportunity and making sure we expand our collaboration with Criminal Justice stakeholders, community non-profit world, education, and employment. Looking at the DUI data in our department and looking at who we are working with trying to pour some more resources into our DUI offenders to ensure they have what they need for behavior change while looking at community safety and partnering with law enforcement.

7. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Budget Agenda item
GEO to provide recidivism rates of our programs

8. ADJOURN

Adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

APPROVED



Ferlyn Buenafe, SSA
9/8/2022