

Salt Lake County  
Criminal Justice Advisory Council  
Full Committee  
October 12, 2016  
Room N2800 - Noon

In Attendance: (Executive Board Members\*)

Patrick Anderson*	Jeannie Edens	Chief Robby Russo*
Judge John Baxter	Sim Gill*	Bobby Sampson
Jim Bradley*	Kele Griffone*	Sam Sedivec
Irene Brown	Alyson Heyrend	Judge Randall Skanchy*
Mike Brown	Isaac Higham	Noella Sudbury
Max Burdick*	Eric Hutchings	Jon Thelen
Rob Butters	Chief Pam Lofgreen*	Sherri Trujillo
Weston Clark	Mayor Ben McAdams*	Vanessa Walsh
Karen Crompton*	Patrick Reimherr	Tim Whalen

*(Note: There may have been others present who did not sign the Attendance Roster)*

**MEETING CONVENED AT NOON** (lunch provided)

**Welcome and Introductions**

Noella welcomed everyone and introduced Vanessa Walsh, CJAC's new and only staff member.

**Approve minutes from last executive meeting**

Mayor Ben McAdams moved to approve the minutes. Patrick Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Executive Committee Updates**

- **2017 CJAC Priorities Discussion**
  - Noella gave an update on the 2017 CJAC potential priorities discussion that has been occurring in the Executive Committee meetings. Noella showed the following list of potential priorities identified by the Executive Committee. She explained that CJAC was asked to provide additional background information on these topics to help the Executive Committee rank the priorities and make a decision on what to focus on in the coming year. Noella mentioned that she hopes the Executive Committee will vote on the 2017 Priorities by the end of the year.

- Potential Priorities:
  - Gain a better understanding of the criminal justice system by mapping the flow of people, processes, resources, costs, and outcomes
  - Develop a model to move forward on the construction of a Community Corrections Center
  - Increase our focus on the mental health population (SPMI/Non-SPMI) and possibly expand mental health court
  - Come up with a plan to address the current drug epidemic
  - Improve data sharing, screening, and assessment
  - Come up with a plan to address jail capacity issues and discuss intermediate options for law enforcement
  - Reform the pre-trial system
  - Address the issue of warrants and come up with a plan to review old warrants, explore amnesty, and cut down on number of bookings based solely on outstanding warrants
  - Increase treatment interventions and capacity and discuss what can be done about wait times for treatment programs
  - Discuss current system for tackling “super-utilizer” population, whether it is working, and what improvements can be made
- **MCOT Project Update**
  - Noella summarized the discussion that had been occurring in the Executive Committee meetings surrounding the MCOT teams, their capacity, their role, and some of the current issues that have been occurring. She mentioned that the discussion was very productive and included law enforcement officers, individuals from UNI, and Unified Fire.
- **Screens & Assessments Committee Update**
  - Noella reported that the Screens and Assessment Subcommittee met in August to discuss SLPRI scores and how to share that information in a timely manner among the DA, LDA, CJS, and courts. She also stated that Jon Thelen and Irene Brown, from the IJIS team are helping to resolve the issue.

### **Domestic Violence Warrants**

- **Background:** Vanessa covered an issue regarding domestic violence flags on warrants. In short, due to a change in 2014, warrants with cases that involve domestic violence do not show the "involve domestic violence" language on the warrant. It appears that although the AOC software (CORIS) has this information and is transmitting it to DPS, the domestic violence nature of the warrant is not appearing in UCJIS (the statewide warrant system). The resulting problems are 1) when law enforcement officers in the field encounter individuals with open warrants, they do

not know whether the warrants are domestic violence related; and 2) under current booking restrictions, the jail is unable to admit any defendant with a misdemeanor warrant unless it involves domestic violence. As a result, when an officer stops an individual who is known to have an open DV warrant, the individual cannot be booked into jail.

- **Potential interim and long-term solutions:** the CJAC attendees asked several questions about the issue and discussed the following potential short-term and long term solutions:
  - **Short term solution:** Officers will tell the jail staff when they know an individual has a domestic violence related warrant and the booking staff at the jail will look up the warrant in Exchange to confirm.
  - **Long term solution:** DPS will update their database and the state warrant web system to show domestic violence warrants from 2014 going forward and will work with the courts to make any needed changes on their end. This process may take one to two months to complete.
- Eric Hutchings stated that he would like to resolve the issue as quickly as possible and if there are any issues with DPS to let him know and he would take care of it immediately.

### **Screening Discussion**

Following the warrants discussion, Representative Eric Hutchings raised the issue of the screening currently taking place in the jail. He had some questions based on some things that were said by CCJJ at the legislative interim session earlier in the month. Chief Lofgreen clarified that everyone who is booked into jail, and agrees to participate in the screening process, receives a screen, but that due to the current booking restrictions, many individuals are not screened because they are never booked into jail. The screening process, and legislative intent in implementing that process, was discussed in length. Noella stated that this may be an appropriate issue for the screens and assessments subcommittee to look into and report back to CJAC.

### **Operation Diversion**

- **Overview and Project Goals:**
  - Mayor McAdams stated he was pleased with how well Operation Diversion went and thanked everyone for their work. Mayor McAdams stated it was great to see so many partners working together and that this project demonstrated the need for and efficacy of a Community Corrections Center model. The Mayor also stated that he heard from many families with loved ones that were part of the operation, who were so grateful for a second chance. Mayor McAdams also stated he had spoken with Speaker Hughes

about the project, and that he was hopeful that the county would receive additional funding to keep the project going.

- **Preliminary Numbers and Demographic Data:**

- 132 individuals were taken into custody.
- 113 total individuals went to the receiving center.
- 17 individuals were taken to jail.
- 2 individuals went to the hospital
- On the first day of Operation Diversion 31 went to treatment, 11 went to jail and 1 went to the hospital.
- On the second day of Operation Diversion 14 went to treatment, 17 went to jail and 1 went to the hospital.
- On the third day of Operation Diversion 23 went to treatment, 15 went to jail and 0 went to the hospital.
- 68 individuals were diverted to treatment and 38 individuals are still in treatment (56%). This is an excellent retention rate for this very difficult population.

- **Other Discussion and Questions:**

- Throughout the presentation, many questions were asked, and comments were made about the program. Salt Lake City Police Chief Mike Brown thanked Mayor McAdams and Mayor Biskupski for making sure that there was a treatment component to Operation Diversion. He stated that this has never happened before and it is making a difference in the community. Another individual asked about juveniles. Tim Whalen stated that they did not encounter many juveniles, but if they encounter more juveniles in future operations, they will go through the normal process.
- The group also engaged in a discussion about homelessness, and safety issues at the Road Home. 58% of the individuals surveyed through Operation Diversion, had stayed at the Road Home shelter, and reported that they did not feel safe due to theft, drugs, threats to personal safety, and lack of effective screening tools/population management to separate and/or keep out individuals with a violent history out of the shelter.

With no further business the meeting adjourned.

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