



## Local Public Safety Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2019

12:00 – 1:30 pm

Development Services Building Room 301

**Members present:** Chair Christina McMahan, Judge Thomas Rastetter, Rodney Cook, Eric Barrera, Emily Brault, Malcolm McDonald, Mary Rumbaugh, Seth Lyon, Commissioner Ken Humberston, Bruce Tarbox, Richard Swift, John Foote, Martin Cohen, Melissa Erlbaum, Vikki Whitmore,

**Guests present:** John Wentworth, Valerie Adrian, Tovah Blumenthal, Kimberlee DeSantis, Jeffrey Munns, Tamara Stempel, Amanda Tujillo

**Staff:** Katie Strong, Korene Mather

### Welcome/Introductions

Chair Christina McMahan called the meeting to order at 12:01pm and welcomed members and guests. Chair McMahan acknowledged to members that Vikki Whitmore was retiring from her position at the Oregon Youth Authority as Clackamas Supervisor. She thanked Vikki for her years of service as a member of LPSCC and to the county, and especially for her work championing services to children of incarcerated parents.

### Consent Agenda

#### Approval of the minutes from the July 22, 2018 meeting

Chair McMahan asked if members had reviewed the minutes from the July 22, 2018 meeting and if there were any necessary edits. It was noted that Bruce Tarbox was not listed as a guest on minutes. Commissioner Humberston moved to approve the minutes with the correction, and Rodney Cook seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. *Motion passed.*

#### Approval of the minutes from the August 20, 2018 meeting

Chair McMahan asked if members had reviewed the minutes from the August 20, 2018 meeting and if there were any edits. No changes were requested and she asked for a motion. Commissioner Humberston moved to approve the minutes and Rodney Cook seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. *Motion passed.*

### **Approval of the minutes from the October 1, 2018 meeting**

Chair McMahan asked if members had reviewed the minutes from the October 1, 2018 meeting and if there were any changes to be made. There were none and she asked for a motion. Commissioner Humberston moved to approve the minutes and Bruce Tarbox seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. *Motion passed.*

### **New Member Recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners**

Chair McMahan asked members to vote on the recommendation of Tamara Stempel, Mayor of Gladstone, to be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners to have Mayor Stempel appointed as a new member. Rodney Cook moved to recommend her appointment and Emily Brault seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, except for Commissioner Humberston, who abstained, as he will vote on her appointment in a different capacity when it goes the Board of Commissioners. *Motion passed.*

### **LPSCC Bylaws Proposed Revision**

Chair McMahan gave a brief summary of the work done by the a workgroup convened in the Fall of 2018 to update the current bylaws and an an overview of the proposed changes to the LPSCC Bylaws. Chair McMahan also initiated a discussion about Rodney Cook's position (Director of Children, Family & Community Connections Division), which was not listed as a required member in the proposed bylaw revision. John Foote moved to approve the proposed changes to the bylaws, including the addition of Director of Children, Family & Community Connections Division to the list of required members. Commissioner Humberston seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. *Motion passed.*

### **Update on Pre-Trial Program**

Malcom McDonald/Community Corrections Director and Valerie Adrian/Policy, Performance and Research Analyst explained the Pre-Trial program and discussed current program statistics collected so far (this year and last).

Since implementation, forced releases have been reduced, and Malcolm explained that the level of monitoring post-release varies from standard (orientation/reminders) to intensive (in-person and telephone contact). Chair McMahan asked how monitoring level is decided and Valerie stated that these decisions are based on nine or so criteria on a standardized tool called the Virginia Pre-Trial Risk Assessment.

John Foote noted that this program poses many risks, and although there is still work to be done, it has come a long way. He would like to see a collective approach and be sure we are tracking all the right things. Bruce Tarbox commented that a primary goal is to identify the right people for the program and provide them with proper support. Seth Lyon inquired about services offered to those on pre-trial/release. Malcolm stated that pretrial participants are offered services whereas persons on forced release are not. John Foote mentioned that it is important to understand that the program is a judicial function and not a social service function.

## **Justice Reinvestment Initiative Semi-Annual Report**

Chair McMahan mentioned that the report had been sent to members for their review prior to the meeting and asked if there were any questions or concerns. Bruce Tarbox mentioned his potential conflict of interest and stated he will not be voting on the report, as his organization is a recipient of some of the JRI funding. John Foote moved to approve the report and Commissioner Humberston seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. *Motion passed.*

A question was raised by John Foote about how the data was collected and he suggested the formation of a smaller group of involved partners to collaborate on the development and fine-tuning of the report, as it affects future funding. The following persons were suggested as subcommittee members:

- Malcom McDonald/Community Corrections (will serve as sub-committee Chair)
- Melissa Erlbaum/Victim Services
- Bruce Tarbox/Defense Attorney
- John Wentworth/DA's Office representative, Non-LPSCC member
- Judge Van Dyk/Courts, Non-LPSCC member

(Korene will send an email to Judge Van Dyk requesting his participation and will copy Malcolm and Judge Rastetter).

Chair McMahan noted that the proposed group would meet the new bylaw requirement that subcommittees must be made up of a majority of LPSCC members. John Foote moved to approve the formation of the Pre-Trial and Early Resolution Docket Subcommittee, Seth Lyon seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. *Motion passed.*

## **Election of New Vice Chair**

Chair McMahan reminded everyone that Jenna Morrison has a new role and will no longer be able to serve as Vice Chair. She asked if any members were interested in the position – Rodney Cook stated that he believed Richard Swift was interested. Chair McMahan stated that the election of a new Vice Chair will take place at the March 4, 2019 LPSCC meeting.

## **Agency Updates/Announcements**

Children, Family & Community Connections (Rodney Cook) – CFCC received a three-year grant to address opioid affected youth. He is looking for input and participation on a planning group to determine strategies and programming to divert kids from opiate use and addiction.

Clackamas Women's Services (Melissa Erlbaum) – CWS/partners are among the top ten applicants for a Domestic Violence Technical Assistance grant to reduce abusers' access to firearms – there is no money involved, but will help to evaluate the current process. They recently submitted an OVW grant proposal in partnership with Family Justice Center to do more work around elder abuse.

Department Human Services (Seth Lyon) – The shutdown caused some intensive work to get benefits to recipients by February. His office has been able to get by for a couple weeks with general funds, but a large amount of that funding has been spent.

Another issue caused by the shutdown is recertification – the main grocery store in Welches was unable to obtain this during the shutdown, and thus was unable to accept SNAP benefits. TANF and Childcare are in better shape than SNAP, but there will be more problems if the shutdown resumes.

Health, Housing and Human Services (Richard Swift) – H3S is deeply concerned that the shutdown will resume. The Housing Authority has no commitment of funding at the end of February. Landlords cannot evict, which makes for unhappy landlords and continued instability could result in them walking away from accepting Section 8 vouchers. Nonprofits are also having the same issues on HUD funds.

Another issue is the measles outbreak – Multnomah County has one confirmed case. Kids and pregnant women are the most risk. A couple schools within the county have vaccination rates below 50%.

### **Public Input**

Amanda Trujillo asked if Failure To Appear (FTA) is calculated on first or all failures to appear. Malcolm McDonald replied that it can be calculated at any point.

### **Adjourn**

Chair McMahan thanked everyone for their participation and adjourned the meeting at 1:23pm.