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## **MARION COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL MINUTES**

**October 9, 2018 5:00 PM  
Chemeketa Community College  
Salem, OR**

**MCPSCC:** Mark Caillier, Kevin Cameron, Janet Carlson, Rob Carney, Paige Clarkson, Kim Doster, Jayne Downing, Don Frederickson, Tamra Goettsch, Troy Gregg, Levi Herrera-Lopez, Roland Herrera, Justin Hopkins, Mike Iwai, Jessica Kampfe, Greg Leo, Pete McCallum, Todd McCann, Ed McKenney, Cary Moller, Jerry Moore, Jason Myers, Mike Runyon, Kim Wallis, and Hitesh Parekh (recorder).

**GUESTS:** Bill Burgess, Ross Caldwell, Ian Davidson, Richard Himenez, Julie Huckestein, Jolene Kelley, Joann Wallis, and Sean Young.

### **1. ADMINISTRATIVE (INFORMATION/ACTION)**

Meeting called to order at 5:04 P.M. by Commissioner Janet Carlson.

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

Attendees introduced themselves.

#### **Approve September 11, 2018 Minutes**

MOTION: Jerry Moore moved to approve the September 11, 2018 meeting minutes. Seconded by Greg Leo. Motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

#### **Announcements and Upcoming Events**

- East Salem Town Hall meeting will begin at 6:30 AM.
- Sign-up sheet being passed around for members if they want to attend the Justice Reinvestment Summit organized by the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission on February 14, 2019.
- Staff is polling council members about whether to change council meeting date from November 13 to November 6.
- MCRI breakfast event is on October 25 at the Salem Convention Center.
- October is domestic violence awareness month.
- Levi Herrera-Lopez said Measure 105, the repeal Oregon Sanctuary State Law Initiative, is very controversial. Cities of Salem and Keizer took positions opposing Measure 105. One of the Keizer city councilors called into a radio station and said she felt threatened by opponents of Measure 105. Others at the same venue disagreed with her statement.
- Chemeketa Community College President Julie Huckestein said the college received \$645,788 through the Child Care Access Means Parents in School grant. The funds help Pell Grant-eligible student parents attain post-secondary education with the support of campus-based child care services.
  - College also received a grant of approximately \$2.4 million through the Title V Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program to help low-income Hispanic students complete their education. More than 25% of the students are Hispanic.
- The Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program was initially funded by a grant secured from Willamette Valley Community Health.

- One navigator position was been hired with this grant fund.
- The Board of Commissioners approved funds to continue the first navigator and add a second navigator in January 2019.
- Marion County was recently awarded two additional U.S. Bureau of Justice Assistance grants for totaling \$1.3 million.
- These funds will allow the county to hire three more navigators and expand this program to other areas of the county.

## **2. QUARTERLY UPDATE: CJC DASHBOARD DATA**

Ross Caldwell, Oregon Criminal Justice Commission, Justice Reinvestment Liaison, presented this item.

Summary of presentation:

- The Oregon legislature has reconvened the Task Force On Public Safety in 2017 to review:
  - Pretrial release risk assessments;
  - Methods of reducing failure to appears at court hearings;
  - The impact of criminal fines and fees; and
  - Implementation of the Justice Reinvestment program.
  - Task force will make recommendations to the legislature when it convenes in 2019.
- A \$1.5 million grant for illegal marijuana enforcement has been awarded to four southern Oregon counties. (Marion County did not apply for funding.)
  - Money will be used for law enforcement, hiring prosecutors, and addressing marijuana overproduction exported from Oregon.
- The commission's April 2018 male prison forecast takes into account House Bill 3078 which:
  - Shortened sentencing on "Theft I" and identity thefts; and
  - Expanded the short-term transitional leave program from 90 to 120 days.
    - There is a lawsuit challenging House Bill 3078.
    - Commission wants a decision from the Oregon Supreme Court soon, since people are being sentenced inconsistently across the state.
    - Less than 1,400 females are in state prison compared to 14,000 males.
    - Coffee Creek Correctional Facility is the only facility that houses women.
    - Since "Theft I" and identity thefts are primarily offenses committed by women, this legislation decreased the numbers of women with prison sentences.
    - If the law is deemed unconstitutional, the state may have to open the second prison at the cost of \$20 million and cut funds elsewhere.
  - In 2017-19, there was \$40.1 million set aside for Justice Reinvestment grant funds and a separate grant fund of \$7 million created for prison diversion programs.
  - Counties currently have two Criminal Justice Commission grants for which they can apply for funding:
    - The \$40 million Justice Reinvestment Initiative grant has a goal of reducing prison usage for the non-violent property and drug offender population, reducing recidivism, and holding offenders accountable; and
    - The \$7 million grant has a goal of reducing prison usage with downward departure prison diversion programs.
      - To streamline the grants process for both the commission and the counties, the commission wants to consolidate both grants into one in 2019.
    - In the last biennium, there was discussion about funding Justice Reinvestment at \$40 million by taking some of the funding out of community corrections funds, which would not have increased resources overall for these programs.

- ORS 164.135 makes it difficult to prosecute stolen cars.
  - Automobile arrests have increased and the commission is looking at arrest data to find out how many people are getting arrested for “unauthorized use of vehicle” in the state.
  - This is in tandem with state protocol, as the commission will do a fiscal analysis for potential bills.
    - If there is a fix proposed resulting in a large number of felons going to prison under ORS 164.135, this will be costly to the Justice Reinvestment Initiative.
- Commission is also developing a new recidivism report format and has also updated the Justice Reinvestment dashboards.
- Marion, Multnomah, and Lane counties continue to drive down the state’s prison usage.

### **3. LEGISLATIVE CONCEPTS 2019-21 DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Carlson presented this item. Summary of presentation:

- Staff is drafting a state legislative agenda for the council. The purpose of the agenda is to present at a legislative forum at the State Capitol. The council has done this previously in 2015 and 2017.
  - Staff is currently collecting potential legislation to incorporate into the agenda from public safety, health, victim services, and housing entities.
  - The council will adopt the agenda by vote at its December meeting.

Summary of discussion:

- Just focus on a few key issues.
- Add our successes into the document.

### **4. EMERGING ISSUES/PROBLEM SOLVING**

None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 PM.