



COLONIAL COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD

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Meeting Notes: Colonial Community Criminal Justice Board

August 5, 2019

Location: New Kent Sheriff's Office
12001 Courthouse Cir.
New Kent, VA 23124

Members Present

- David Coe
- Sean Dunn
- Todd Duval
- Joe Jackson
- Stacy Kern-Scheerer
- Judge Colleen Killilea
- Adam Kinsman, Chair
- Joe McLaughlin
- Charles Moss, Vice Chair
- Patricia Paige
- Jenny Pauls
- Brad Rinehimer
- Andrew Trivette
- Kelly Waddell

Members Absent

- Judge Wade Bowie
- Thomas J. Byrne
- Bill Coad
- Chad Green
- Dennis Ivey
- Betty Lasris
- Judge Mike McGinty
- Virginia Munoz
- Tony Pham
- Rob Tyler

Staff Present

- Hal Diggs, CCC Director
- Jessica Bolton, CCC Administrative Coordinator
- Jack Fitzpatrick, Criminal Justice Planner
- Tonya Champion, CCC
- Jay and Patty Faggart, guests
- Faith Smolowski and spouse, guests

1. CALL TO ORDER

The quarterly meeting of the Colonial Community Criminal Justice Board was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Adam Kinsman.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM

Administrative Coordinator Bolton reported that a quorum was present.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mr. Kinsman welcomed Mr. Jay Faggart and asked David Coe to step forward to present the Certificate of Appreciation. David noted that when he began with Colonial Behavioral Health 15 years ago, Jay was already working to bring Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training to the region. But for his relentlessness, we would not be where we are today. Jay was a founding member of the CIT team, became a trainer, and assisted with outreach efforts to the faith and civic communities. Mr. Faggart introduced his wife and guests. He shared that he has family connections to the struggles with mental health and substance use disorder which drove him to push for CIT and the Crisis Intervention Therapeutic Assessment Center (CITAC). Jay noted a recent incident at Wellspring United Methodist Church where James City Police handled a mental health crisis exceedingly well.

4. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 4 & MAY 6, 2019 MEETING NOTES

Mr. Kinsman asked for a motion to approve the meeting notes as presented. Chief Rinehimer made the motion and Sheriff McLaughlin seconded. The motion was approved.

5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR *(Adam Kinsman)*

Mr. Kinsman welcomed new member Stacy Kern-Scheerer and asked if she would introduce herself briefly to the Board. Ms. Kern-Scheerer advised that she is a professor at the William & Mary Law School and that she specializes in public health and immigration law.

6. APPOINTMENTS and ELECTIONS *(Jack Fitzpatrick)*

- a. The City of Williamsburg appointed Stacy Kern-Scheerer on July 1 to the seat vacated by Susan Bruno.
- b. York County appointed Betty Lasris on August 1 to fill the seat vacated by Stephen Reandau. She is a school psychologist at Seaford Elementary School and will serve as the state-mandated “local educator.”
- c. Bill Coadas’s term ended on January 31, 2019 and we are awaiting his re-appointment.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a.) Juvenile Justice Committee: (*Joe Jackson*)

The Committee has not met during the summer months and will resume in September.

The Historic Triangle Drug Prevention Coalition continues to organize and is planning a half-day Town Hall Meeting on October 25th, from 8:00 a.m.-noon at Legacy Hall to discuss the opioid crisis locally and state-wide as well as the broader problem of substance use disorder.

The Justice Planner and Juvenile Probation Officer Aaron Vincion met with “Another Level Youth and Family Services” representative who shared that his company is opening an office near Jimmy’s Pizza and Pasta in Norge. They will provide intensive in-home counseling and mental health skill-building. The Norge Office will provide services much closer to Toano, New Kent, and Charles City residents.

Poquoson Police Department’s Community Outreach Unit and Child Identification Program attended Tabernacle United Methodist Church’s Block Party in early June.

James City Police held its Community Outreach Program (COPs) Camp the week of July 15-19 (10-13-year olds). C.O.P.s Camp focuses on engaging today’s youth in their community by volunteering and fundraising for a local non-profit organization.

The DJJ has produced a Standard Disposition Matrix (handout provided) which is designed to ensure equity, reliability, and consistency across the Commonwealth. Some discussion of the Matrix followed.

b.) CIT & Opioids Abuse Committee: (*David Coe*)

The Colonial Crisis Intervention Therapeutic Assessment Center (CITAC) continues to be one of the busiest—if not the busiest—center in the Commonwealth when compared on an hour-by-hour basis.

The next Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training is scheduled for September 30 through October 4. A number of seat are still available. It is possible the Virginia State Police will fill a number of those seats.

315 officers, deputies, and troopers have been trained in the 40-hour program to date in the Colonial Region and we have around a dozen local trainers who lead the local classes.

C.) Re-Entry Committee: (*Virginia Pauls*)

The DMV Connect program last visited VPRJ in July and served seven inmates. The total number served since inception at VPRJ is 309. DMV Connect will return to the jail in November.

The Community Of Faith Mission-Winter Shelter stats:

2,132 shelter stays

105 individual guests

74% male and 26% female

Five months-68 years old

39 either had jobs or obtained jobs while using the shelter

In a new partnership with Rack Room Shoes, COFM bought 49 pairs of shoes for guests who wanted them

The 2019-20 schedule is out and goes from November 17 through March 22, 2020

The search continues for both male and female volunteers to serve in the One Stop Resume' computer center. Re-Entry Coordinator Proctor and two other CCC probation officers continue to assist the inmates until such time as other volunteers can be located and oriented to the jail. One male and one female volunteer from St. Bede Church have expressed interest in volunteering in the One-Stop and preparations to orient them are in progress.

VPRJ therapeutic substance abuse recovery pod called "We Are In This Together" (WAITT) finished its first session in June. It is an all-inclusive, three-month program, serving up to 20 women at a time, providing trauma-informed counseling, AA/NA, job prep, family reunification, religious programming, etc. Prospective inmates must apply and be interviewed for admission to the pod.

The Re-Entry Resource Fair is scheduled for Friday September 27, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. at VPRJ.

8. REPORT OF CCC AGENCY DIRECTOR (*Hal Diggs*)

Mr. Diggs introduced CCC Senior Probation Officer Tonya Champion and advised that she is a New Kent resident. He noted that CCC is fully staffed and turnover has been lower this quarter. The Commonwealth's study of Pretrial services continues. It has been made clear

that all of our data systems need major work and there is an effort underway to allocate funding for the improvements. Mr. Diggs provided a handout on local probation and pretrial services.

9. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kinsman asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the 2019-23 Justice Plan. Then asked for a motion to approve the plan. Ms. Pauls made the motion and Mr. Coe seconded. The motion was approved. Mr. Fitzpatrick will publish the document and have it placed on the CCCJB website.

Mr. Kinsman noted that National Night Out Against Crime is tomorrow night between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m., each of our departments is hosting at least one event, and asked the membership to support their local event.

Chief Rinehimer mentioned a recent meeting discussion in which changes to the times of the CITAC was discussed. The proposal under consideration would change the hours from noon-midnight to 2:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m. to better meet the needs of the region. More information to come.

10. CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman thanked Sheriff McLaughlin for hosting the meeting and providing the meal. Lt. Waddell made the motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Chief Dunn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Monday, **November 4, 2019**, in Charles City County