

Monroe County Community Corrections Advisory Board
Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 12:00 P.M.
Meeting Minutes

- I. The Community Corrections Advisory Board held a meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, in the Commissioner's Chambers. A quorum being present, Judge Nichols called the meeting to order (12:10pm).

PRESENT: Judge Nichols, Captain Massengill, Commander Wall, Cari Grahl, Commissioner Hoffman, Lori Lehmann, Prosecutor Roehrig, and Renee Shaw

ABSENT: Judge Lohmeyer, Bill Nolan (excused), John Deku and Michele Paled

ALSO PRESENT: Holly Flint and Kim Faison

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Prosecutor Roehrig made a motion to approve the agenda for April 19, 2022. Supported by Commissioner Hoffman. Motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lori Lehmann made a motion to approve the minutes from January 18, 2022. Supported by Commander Wall. Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE REPORTS

Renee Shaw made a motion to approve the expenditure reports for December 2021, January and February 2022. Supported by Prosecutor Roehrig. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

VI. COORDINATOR'S REPORT

A. FY 2023 Grant Application

The grant application request is for \$316,050.00; this is an increase of \$11,425.00 from FY 2022's award of \$304,625.00. The additional funding, if approved by the State, will allow PreTrial to bill at a rate of \$2,000 per month when 30 or more are placed under supervision and \$1,000 per month when 15 – 29 are placed under supervision. I'd like to note that our PreTrial Department is currently using their own risk assessment tool. It's my understanding that most of the other counties have switched over to PRAXIS. House Bill No. 5440, has not been passed yet, but is expected to be passed. The bill states the pretrial risk assessment instrument must be validated and approved for use. Oakland and

Jackson Counties are going through that process to validate PRAXIS. Once completed, it will benefit all the counties who decide to utilize PRAXIS. There isn't a cost associated with the use of PRAXIS. I've been in contact with Stephanie Pride who is reaching out to Jackson's Manager for more information on this.

The budget is very similar to last fiscal year's budget. The application includes 7 programs and administrative costs.

Objectives:

1. Decrease the overall prison commitment rate (PCR) to 21%, a decrease from the average PCR over the last 3 years of 21.7%.
2. Reduce the probation violation recidivism rate for those with a new sentence to 16% or less for all prison dispositions, a decrease from FY 2021's rate of 18%.

New this year, two PreTrial objectives, since we request funding for PreTrial Services.

Objectives:

1. PreTrial Appearance Rate: Over 85% of supervised defendants will make their scheduled court dates.
2. PreTrial Public Safety Rate: Over 85% of supervised defendants will not be charged with a new criminal offense.

A letter for approval and resolution will be sent to Lisa Sanders to be included in the Board of Commissioner's meeting agenda, scheduled for May 3rd.

B. FY 2022 Quarterly Report

Programs are within 10% of their projected enrollment except for the Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) and the CSC Sex Offender program. IOP is currently at 38% and CSC is slightly lower, at 33%. COVID delayed new participants from enrolling. The Employment Readiness Program (ERP) was allowed to facilitate groups at the dorm and the community portion remained open throughout, enrollment wasn't affected. The Trauma, Recovery & Empowerment Program (TREM) was able to hold group sessions and enroll new participants as well. PreTrial Service's enrollment is above its projection at 87%.

Besides COVID, low enrollment for the IOP program was due to it being moved from the dorm facility to the main jail. An entire 6 weeks of class was needed to be completed without enrolling anyone new. IOP started back up at the main jail in March, with the group that had been placed on hold (due to COVID). The class is now full and currently has 12 people on the waiting list. The CSC program started out strong and recently enrolled a new person this week.

C. Budget Adjustment Request

Felony PreTrial Supervision reached 87% of its projected enrollment at midyear and the caseload continues to increase. Pretrial Services is averaging approximately 42 new enrollments a month. Contractually, the department is paid \$1,000 each month when there's a minimum of 15 new enrollments. I recommend moving \$12,000 into PreTrial Services. The move would come from underutilized program money that the provider's

won't be able to recover by the end of the fiscal year (\$4000 from the Cognitive Program, \$5,000 from IOP, \$1,000 from HHR and \$2,000 from TREM). The adjustment, if approved by the State, would be utilized to invoice at a rate of \$3,000 per month for a minimum of 30 new defendants placed under supervision. The adjustment will assist with the associated costs of the increased enrollment and supervision of the expanded caseload.

Commissioner Hoffman made a motion to approve the FY 2023 Grant Application. Supported by Prosecutor Roehrig. Motion carried.

Prosecutor Roehrig made a motion to approve the FY 2022 Quarterly Report (Mid-Year). Supported by Commander Wall. Motion carried.

Prosecutor Roehrig made a motion to approve the Budget Adjustment Request. Supported by Lori Lehmann. Motion carried.

VII. OTHER ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

Renee Shaw – SAHL will go through an audit tomorrow to get certified in the Prison Elimination Act (PREA).

Commissioner Hoffman – Questioned if programs have seen an increase in enrollment due to the high rate of marijuana that has come into the area. It appears there is a higher use rate among those that already use, which leads to greater abuse, stated Rene Shaw. More use, more crime.

Lori Lehmann – Sex Offender Program, efforts from the Violent Internet Predator and Exploitation Response (VIPER) may help increase that program's enrollment. The new task force has made multiple new arrests of those committing cyber crimes against people and especially minors.

Judge Nichols – We're in need of a District Court Representative for our board. Ms. Flint, please reach out to Chief Judge Vitale so he can determine who will be assigned to that role.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hoffman made a motion to adjourn. Supported by Prosecutor Roehrig. Motion carried. (12:37pm)