

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council – Meeting Minutes:

Friday, December 13th, 2019, 10:30 am to 1 pm

Sophie Moiese Room – Courthouse Annex

ATTENDEES: Judge Leslie Halligan, Mayor Engen, Commissioner Slotnick, Detective Dave Conway, Assistant Chief Scott Hoffman, Judge Landee Holloway, Jennifer Streano, Michelle Cares, Lieutenant Alex Hall, Keithi Worthington, Kim Lahiff, Judge Kathleen Jenks, Maylinn Smith, Ann Douglas, Shantell Gaynor, Eran Pehan, Laurie Francis, Sue Wilkins, Ivan MacDonald, SK Rossi, Molli Zook, Courtney Callaghan, Chief Marty Ludemann, Laurie Pope, Ann Miller, Suzin Kratina, Julie Merritt, Danielle Vasquez, Iko'tsimiskimaki "Ekoo" Beck, Jana Staton, Quinn Ziegler, Laurel Hesse, Kristen Jordan, Gordy Pace

APOLOGIES: Joseph Thaggard

Welcome (5 minutes)

- a. Roll Call: Members
- b. Acknowledgement of Country
- c. Approval of previous meeting minutes

ACTION: Mayor Engen motioned for an approval; Sue Wilkins seconded.

Business (2 hours, 15 minutes)

- Strategies: identified and prioritized- Facilitated activity by Gordy Pace, Adjunct Professor of Public Administration and Policy at the University of Montana

1. Group exercise:

- What big challenge do you bring to this meeting?
- What do you hope to get from and contribute to this group?

General themes:

- Learning what others do- coming together getting feet under the group
- Disproportionate representation of NAs in the criminal justice system

2. Group Exercise:

- What is the fundamental purpose of the work you do?
- Why is it important? – look for a fundamental purpose for doing the work we all do:

Purpose:

- Need to be heard
- Needs of Victims
- Make lives better
- Give skills to make choices
- More focus on mental health
- Protect community safety
- Voice for the marginalized
- Changing power relations

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- Communication and collaboration across criminal justice entities and between criminal justice entities and stakeholders
- Pretrial incarceration supervision
- Advocacy and funding for mental health
- Community-based wraparound services
- Mobile crisis intervention team- service based, not criminal
- What are the drivers of crime- prevention and rehabilitation
- Mental health and criminal justice collaboration
- Peer support

3. One priority initiative/strategy/challenge activity: Top two strategies to work on:

1. Mental health and related priorities
 - Wrap-around services
 - Mobile crisis intervention
2. Pretrial incarceration and supervision

Additional strategies to work on:

- Communication/collaboration/training/data/data integration
- Systemic issues
 - drivers of criminal justice involvement
 - ID disparities and reasons why
- Community buy-in
- Breaking down barriers/stigma
- Proactive/whole picture
- Ensuring fundamental fairness
 - Customer service perspective from all criminal justice stakeholders
- Global awareness
- Cross-discipline training
- Tap into community resources

Public Comment (5 minutes)

- None

Closing (5 minutes)

- a. Next steps