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Governor's Community Corrections Advisory Council Minutes

Meeting Date: June 3, 2005

Location: Colorado Division of Criminal Justice

Time: 12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Present: Honorable O. John Kuenhold (Chair), Brian Gomez for Jeaneene Miller (Vice-Chair), Thomas A. Giacinti, Gerald Marroney, Mike Holland, Dennis Berry, Judith Horose, Maureen O'Brien, & Allan Stanley

Absent: Representative Lauri Clapp, Milton Blakey

DCJ Staff: Carol Poole, Mindy Miklos, Christine Schmid, Glenn Tapia

1. John Kuenhold called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m.
2. John Kuenhold asked the Council for any additions or changes to the minutes from the March 4, 2005 Council meeting. Tom Giacinti moved to approve the minutes in their current form. Maureen O'Brien seconded the motion. All members in favor.
3. Carol Poole updated the Council members as to Ed Camp's surgery. He is doing well and plans to return the 27th of June.

The legislative session has ended and Community Corrections did well considering the current fiscal climate. Many DCJ units have lost considerable federal funds this year.

Sub-Committee Reports

4. **New Technologies Subcommittee: (Tom Giacinti [Chair], Judge Kuenhold, Ed Camp)**

Bob Mackey, Community Education Center, introduced Robert Hood, the new Chief Operating Officer and Director of the Cheyenne Mountain Re-Entry Center in Colorado Springs. CMRC is located next to Community Alternatives of El Paso County (CAE). Robert Hood shared with the Council his vast experience and education in the field of corrections.

CMRC is a 750 – bed medium security facility that provides assessment, treatment and correctional services to pre-release offenders and parole violators. The goal of CMRC is to work with the Colorado Department of Corrections and the Division of Community Corrections and Parole to prepare each offender for an orderly transition to community placement. The program structure is designed to address issues unique to pre-release offenders with an emphasis on community stabilization, employment, relapse prevention

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and preparation for supervised community living.

Mr. Hood advised the Council that the “return to custody “ parole revocators placed at CMRC would not replace the 252 beds currently housed in various Colorado community corrections programs.

5. Contract Subcommittee: (Tom Giacinti, Judy Horose, Edward Camp, Stephanie Piechowski, other non-council members)

Mindy Miklos stated that the contracts and funding letters are in the process of going out to the boards.

6. Per Diem & Bed Use Subcommittee: (Jeaneene Miller [Chair], Milt Blakey [Co-Chair], Tom Giacinti, Judy Horose, Allan Stanley, Dennis Berry, , Mike Holland, Ed Camp, Tom Quinn, Kim English)

No report

7. Standards and Sanctions Subcommittee: (Mike Holland [Chair], Ed Camp, Jill Nore, Mindy Miklos, Sharon Detter, Mary Niswonger, Ken Gaipa, Darla Hoffmeir, Jan Kaufman, Glenn Tapia)

Mike Holland reported that an e-mail version of the 2005 Community Corrections Standards were dispersed to programs, boards and the Council for final comments. The 2005 edition tackled a few problem areas, however is not tremendously different than that last edition. Not much feedback has been offered.

The new Standards will take effect on July 1, 2005 with an implementation date of October 1, 2005.

Glenn Tapia presented a primitive concept designed as a graduated sanctions process for the boards and/or programs that are non-compliant with DCJ standards. The process is structured with both a sanctioning and incentive system. This concept would involve statutory change, an increase in DCJ’s auditing staff and a strategic design change by which DCJ “certifies” community corrections programs to operate in the State of Colorado. Board members agreed that this concept would encourage boards to be more closely involved in the daily operation of their programs. Handouts provided. Please provide any comments to Glenn Tapia by August 1.

Mike Holland provided an alternate Compliance Process that is comprised of three phases. Phase I consists of using protocols for audits and follow-up audits to increase the feedback between and assessment loop between boards, programs and DCJ. Phase II consists of additional remedies that could be implemented by DCJ for programs and boards that continually fail to comply with DCJ standards and requirements. Phase III is referred to as the “Non-compliance” Phase. This phase would consist of remedies that are the beginning steps to potentially terminating the relationship between DCJ, a board and a program. Handouts provided.

8. Awards Subcommittee: (Judy Horose [Chair], Dennis Berry, Maureen O’Brien, Christine Schmid)

The annual Governor’s Community Corrections award was presented to Paul Cooper, the Chief Probation Officer in the 8th Judicial District on May 20th at the CACCB’s annual meeting .

9. **Diversion Placements Subcommittee:** Jerry Marroney, Mike Holland, Tom Giacinti, Tom Quinn and Ed Camp, Christine Schmid.

Jerry Marroney advised the Council that a meeting is scheduled for June 14th to discuss the process by which concurrent diversion sentences are reported between jurisdictions and the provider. Judicial, community corrections program and board staff, DCJ and Advisory Council members will be present.

New Business

10. Tom Giacinti reminded the Council that the Community Corrections summit will be held July 22, 2005. The purpose of the summit is to facilitate discussions from stakeholders on the lack of standardization across programs and to address recommendations in the recent Legislative audit of community corrections

Three topic groups will be held in the morning and three more in the afternoon. Every stakeholder group will have the opportunity to be represented in each meeting. Neutral volunteer Jefferson County Mediators will facilitate group discussions with the intent that each group will reach a solution that all stakeholders can accept. The resulting agreements and recommendations will be forwarded to DCJ and DOC to be considered in future planning efforts.

The resulting recommendations from the summit will be summarized in the September 9th Council meeting.

11. Tom Giacinti updated the Council that Dr. Wolsey from the Colorado School of Mines will be doing a systems analysis on community corrections and hopefully help us to identify our problem areas. Further details will be provided at the next Council meeting.
12. Tom Giacini stated he will be attending a community corrections technical conference and hopes to return with new technologies perhaps useful to Colorado community corrections. He will also summarize the technologies currently utilized by Colorado community corrections for the September Council meeting.
13. Judge Kuenhold adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be Friday **September 9** at 12:00 p.m. at the Jefferson County Court house. Location specifics to be announced with the meeting Agenda.