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## **Governor's Community Corrections Advisory Council Minutes**

**Meeting Date: April 6, 2007**

**Location: Colorado Division of Criminal Justice**

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

- Present:** Honorable John Kuenhold (Chair), Jeaneene Miller (Vice-Chair), Thomas Giacinti, Maureen O'Brien, Larry Abrahamson, Judith Horose, Milton Blakey and Dennis Berry.
- Absent:** Senator Ken Kester, Representative Joshua Penry, Gerald Marroney, Allan Stanley, and Dennis Berry, Mike Holland
- DCJ Staff:** Jeanne Smith, Mindy Miklos, Christine Schmid, Glenn Tapia, Valarie Schamper, Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky

1. The Honorable John Kuenhold called the meeting to order at 12:50 p.m.
2. Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky introduced Jeanne Smith, DCJ's new Director. Jeanne comes to us from the Attorney General's office where she was in charge of the Criminal Justice section for the past two years. In addition, she worked in office was the DA's office in the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District for 20 years, eight of these years as the DA. Jeanne mentioned that she has had the opportunity to work with many of the members on the Council and looks forward to what she predicts to be increased visibility and emphasis in community corrections in the future. She provided the members with her direct phone number in the event they need to contact her for any reason.
3. John Kuenhold asked the Council for any additions or changes to the minutes from the December 1, 2006 Council meeting. Tom Giacinti moved to approve the minutes in their current form. Judy Horose seconded the motion. All members were in favor.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

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

A panel of community corrections vendors currently using a range of electronic monitoring technologies presented an overview of these services to the Council. These vendors included Dennis Berry; Mesa County Community Corrections, Jessica Masciotro; Jefferson County Pretrial Services, Jim Greco; Intervention Inc. and Dan Beck from Rocky Mountain Offender Monitoring Services.

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Discussion topics included what electronic monitoring technologies each vendor is currently using and the advantages and limitations of each of them.

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

Jeaneene Miller stated that the NIC report by Bill Woodward was presented to the Council at the last meeting. At that time, the Council members agreed to request that NIC pursue an additional study on specific issues pertaining to the offender placement process. As of this date, NIC has not contacted DCJ. The Council might want to discuss pursuing our own study on the process.

Tom Giacinti added that community corrections receives considerably more referrals from the courts versus the DOC. We might consider our current use of Intensive Probation as an intermediate placement prior to sentencing to community corrections.

Judy Horose further added that the Council might want to revisit the various per diem levels for our diverse service populations (mentally ill, sex offenders, women) when researching this issue.

6. **Standards and Sanctions Subcommittee:** (Mike Holland [Chair], Valarie Schamper, Mindy Miklos, Sharon Detter, Mark Olson, Ken Gaipa, Darla Hofmeir, Jan Kaufman, Glenn Tapia, Shannon Carst)

Glenn Tapia stated that the subcommittee met this morning to discuss the implementation of the new Community Corrections Sanctions and Incentives Model (CCSIM). The general implementation plan was distributed to the Council for review.

Glenn summarized the CCSIM model. The CCIM is a framework by which DCJ can develop a formal process to reward community corrections programs that perform exceptionally as well as sanction programs that routinely perform below the expectations of the state of Colorado.

The CCSIM is based on a three-year gradual implementation. Year one will serve as a preparatory year where the DCJ will be equipped with the necessary means to implement the CCSIM effectively. Year two will serve as a pilot year where the CCSIM will be applied in full on a trial basis. Year three will be the year in which the CCSIM is modified, as needed, and codified into permanent policy.

7. **Awards Subcommittee:** (Judy Horose [Chair], Dennis Berry, Maureen O'Brien, Christine Schmid)

Council members were mailed a packet of those nominated for the annual Governor's Community Corrections award to review prior to the Council meeting. The nominees included:

- Cindy Talkington- Program Director, Correctional Alternative Placement

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- Judge John Kuenhold- Chief Judge, 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, Alamosa

Judge Kuenhold withdrew his nomination from consideration, as he felt the nominees should not be members of the board. The true spirit of the award is to honor those individuals working hard in the field of community corrections.

A vote was taken and Cindy Talkington was chosen as the award recipient. She will be presented with the award on May 18<sup>th</sup> at the CACCB annual meeting.

A motion was received from Larry Abrahamson to rename the Distinguished Service Award – the John Kuenhold Award. Maureen O'Brien seconded the motion and all members were in favor. Judge Kuenhold stated that he was deeply honored.

Judy Horose reviewed the awards nomination process, reminding the Council that nomination forms are on DCJ's web site year round. Larry Abrahamson recommended that the nomination packets should request a nomination from each judicial district. With this new process we are hopeful to receive an increased number of award nominations each year.

8. **Legislative Audit Recommendation Subcommittee:** (Jeaneene Miller [Chair], Mike Holland, Mindy Miklos, Sharon Detter, Mary Niswonger, Ken Gaipa, Darla Hofmeir, Jan Kaufman, Glenn Tapia, Shannon Carst)

Upon the inception of this subcommittee, it was determined that it would act as the oversight committee for the working groups drafted as a result of the Legislative Audit recommendations as well as the Summit recommendations. The Council agreed that this working group is no longer necessary. All working groups will continue to report directly to the Council.

## Working Groups

### A. Management of Offender Funds

Mindy Milkos reported that this working group created recommendations outlining the allocation of offender funds. The recommendation is a three-phased process that sets expectations that are realistic for the payment of child support, subsistence, treatment, medical expenses, restitution, etc. These recommendations were forwarded to Diane Dash, CDPS's Representative from the AG's office for review. With some minor verbiage changes, the document has been added to the Community Corrections Standards effective July 1, 2007. Through the exhibit A process, the programs will be reminded of this change.

With the completion of this project, this subcommittee will be dissolved.

### B. Community Corrections Data System

Mindy Miklos advised the Council that our community corrections unit has been working with our IT section and we have been given approval to move forward on the design phase of the data system project. At this time we are anticipating that the work will be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The next step will be the build phase, which we anticipate to be quite costly.

Tom Giacinti stated that he brought the issue of funding this project to the CACCB. The CACCB stated they are unable to assist DCJ in funding this project as they have many pressing financial issues of their own to address.

Judge Kuenhold stated that the design implementation of his courts are available for us to review in terms of integration.

Glenn Tapia added that he has been working on a release of information form for programs to have in place to resolve the HIPAA compliance issues.

## 9. New Business

Mindy reviewed the expenditures as of the end of February. Four judicial districts have not yet submitted their bills. Fifty-nine percent of the total allocation has been spent. Line Item expenditures as follows:

Diversion Residential-	65%	Parole/residential-	34%
Diversion Non-Residential-	55%	IRT Transition-	53%
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Mindy stated that the JBC recommended a supplemental this year of 1.2 million dollars.

Mindy added that the DCJ will once again request an increase in the Board Administration fees from 4% to 5% for FY 08/09 Budget.

The overall FY 07/08 budget is \$ 48 million. This is an increase by \$2 million in FY 06/07. Per Diems were increased by 1.5%

10. Mindy advised the Council that all members wishing to reapply for membership are required to re-submit their names for re-appointment. This can be done through the Governor's web page.
11. Mindy informed the Council that legislation was introduced for a Criminal Justice and Juvenile Commission. The members in this commission are defined in the legislation. One member will represent Community Corrections.
12. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m. The next meeting will be **June 1, 2007 at 12:30 p.m.** at the Division of Criminal Justice.