



Cass County Local JRAC Council

January 26, 2022 Meeting Minutes

“Coming together to create a collaborative system of care that promotes evidence-based practices and utilizes data analysis to improve criminal justice outcomes in our local community.”

Council Members Present: Judge Lisa Swaim, Dave Wegner, Travis Yike, Ed Schroder, Nicole Hiatt-Drang, Will Scott, Noah Schafer and Hillary Hartoin.

Hillary Hartoin, Court Services Director and JRAC Chair, presided over the meeting which was held on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 3:30 pm. Due to COVID-19, the meeting took place virtually via the Lifesize application. A quorum was met.

Scheduled Topics:

MINUTES

The January 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes were reviewed and presented to the Council for approval. Dave Wegner made a motion to approve; Will Scott second. Vote taken and unanimously approved.

ANNUAL REPORT TEMPLATE

The 2022 Local JRAC Annual Report Template provided by IOCS was presented to the Council and discussed. Understanding that said report is a 67 question questionnaire that is intended to be completed as a group during our meetings, the Council agreed to begin meeting twice a month until said report is completed. Ms. Hartoin will be responsible for compiling answers and submitting the final report.

The Council continued to work through the Annual Report Template, completing the remainder of the report, while identifying that we need to revisit Questions 49, 56, and 60. Specifically, we need to define a shared definition of recidivism and identify our System Wide Performance Metrics and Common Goals as outlined below.

Ms. Hartoin has prepared and attached a copy of the Annual Report with our responses thus far for everyone's review.

SENATE BILL 9

Dave Wegner, Director of Cass/Pulaski Community Corrections updated the Council on proposed SB9 that outlines more intensive supervision and data collection standards for offenders on electronic monitoring. It is noted that this impacts community corrections, juvenile probation and pretrial services. Page 5 of SB9, lines 21 through 42, outline a quarterly report that must be submitted to our council. Discussion took place and updates will continue to be provided to the Council at future meetings and via the CPCC Advisory Board.

SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT GOALS AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The Council continued the discussion on the below System Improvement Goals and Performance Measures. Discussion took place, but vote to approve was not taken at this time.

System Improvement Goals:

- Data Collection Gap Analysis and Improvements
- Increased collaboration regarding resources and clients services/referrals.
- Increased use of administrative sanctions and interventions.

Performance Measures:

As Judge Swaim suggested at our previous meeting, it was presented that each supervision agency begin collecting data and measuring the following metrics in addition to basic statistical data, if they are not already doing so:

- Safety Rate (Percentage of clients who were not charged with a new criminal offense)
- Violation Rate (Percentage of clients who did not receive a violation)
- Completion Rate (Percentage of clients who remained under supervision until release date)
- Drug Screen Positivity Rate (Percentage of drugs screens administered with positive results)
- Program Participation Rate: (Percentage of clients who are referred to and participate in programming)

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

HOMEWORK FOR NEXT MEETING

All Council Members are asked to be prepared to discuss and make decisions on the following items at the next meeting:

- Further discuss and determine answers for Questions 49, 56 and 60 of the Annual Report Template
- Define and Approve System Wide Performance Measures and Goals
- Write a Shared Definition of Recidivism
- Review and Finalize Annual Report Template

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Travis Yike; Will Scottt second. Vote taken and meeting adjourned at approximately 4:45 pm.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

After speaking with Judge Swaim, who has a conflict on the originally proposed date of February 16, 2022; a date for the next meeting will be set and sent out to the group in the coming week.

Respectfully submitted ,

/s/Hillary Hartoin

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Cass County JRAC Chair

Director, Cass County Court Services