



COLONIAL COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD

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Meeting Notes:

Colonial Community Criminal Justice Board
February 7, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Freight Shed, 331 Water St.
Yorktown, VA 23690

Members Present

Bruce Call-designee for J. Jackson
Judge Josh DeFord
Sean Dunn
Chad Green-designee for E. Bondurant
Frank Huotte-designee for R. Witham
Adam Kinsman, Chair
Betty Lasris
Rana Navarrete
Jenny Pauls
Brad Rinehimer
Kelly Waddell
Tommy West

Members Absent

Byron Adkins
Judge Wade Bowie
David Coe
Andy Engemann
Stacy Kern-Sheerer
Joe McLaughlin
Charles Moss, Vice Chair
Patricia Paige
Judge Holly Smith
Andrew Trivette
Rob Tyler
Charles City-VACANCY (Duvall)

Staff Present

Hal Diggs, CCC Director
Jack Fitzpatrick, Criminal Justice Planner

Visitors

Maj. Tony Dallman-JCCPD

1. CALL TO ORDER (*Adam Kinsman*)

The quarterly meeting of the Colonial Community Criminal Justice Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Adam Kinsman.

2. ROLL CALL AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM (*Jack Fitzpatrick*)

Criminal Justice Planner Jack Fitzpatrick announced the roll and reported that a quorum had been achieved.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS (*Adam Kinsman*)

N/A.

4. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021 MEETING NOTES (*Adam Kinsman*)

Mr. Kinsman asked for motion to approve the meeting notes. Mr. Rinehimer made the motion and Mr. Green seconded. The motion was approved.

5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR (*Adam Kinsman*)

N/A.

6. APPOINTMENTS and ELECTIONS (*Adam Kinsman & Brad Rinehimer*)

Mr. Kinsman asked Mr. Rinehimer to take the floor with as Nomination Committee Chair and handle Elections. No nominations having been received prior to the meeting, Mr. Kinsman nominated Mr. Rinehimer to serve as Chair. Mr. Rinehimer accepted and was elected. Mr. Rinehimer nominated Chief Dunn as Vice Chair who accepted the nomination and was elected.

Mr. Fitzpatrick advised that Charles City representative Todd Duval (serving as “local defense attorney”) resigned in November and that we are awaiting his replacement as well as the re-appointment of Joe Jackson form Charles City.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a.) Juvenile Justice Committee: (*Bruce Call for Joe Jackson*)

9th District CSU

- Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC) Report findings. The report is being reviewed in Richmond to determine the path forward. The report can be viewed on the General Assembly website.

- Change in DJJ’s leadership: Amy Floriano, former Assistance CWA in Chesapeake, VA has been appointed as Director of DJJ.
- Merrimac Post – D program and face-to-face contact visits have been suspended until further notice due to CoVID restrictions.
- Juvenile delinquent petitions continue to remain low across the Commonwealth, especially in the 9th District.
- December and January experienced increase in “Next Friend” protection order petitions as a result of youth/youth assaults. Mr. Call defined “Next Friend” as when an adult (usually the parent) files a petition on behalf of his/her child following an alleged assault & battery.
- Recent changes in VJCCCA provides opportunity to focus on prevention and front-end services. Multisystemic Therapy (MST) and Functional Family Therapy (FFT) services are now funded by Medicaid. Both are classified as evidence-based practices.
- Progress report on the Children’s Services Act, Biennial report to the General Assembly is now available on the General Assembly website.
- DJJ will be replacing the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) trauma screening tool with the Screening for Experiences and Strengths (SEAS); a screening tool that has been developed by Virginia HEALS to identify trauma and victimization. When compiling a social history for the courts, Court Services personnel will use that new HEALS assessment.

Community Information (e.g., law and school initiatives)

- **Shop With A Cop/Sheriff**-Williamsburg Police Department held a “Stuff The Trailer Toy Drive” which served 40 local families as well as clients of the Williamsburg House of Mercy.

JCC-PD-19 children served as well as a toy drive that delivered toys to four local neighborhoods and an event that provided gifts for children in foster care.

York-Poquoson Sheriff’s Office held a drive-through event which served 111 children. Attendees remained in their vehicles a bag with treats and a gift card with which to purchase presents. Santa Clause and the Grinch were present along with about 44 deputies and 15 civilian personnel.

Poquoson Police Department also held a drive-through version due to CoVID concerns.

New Kent-partnered with Henrico Co. S.O. and Henrico FOP Lodge to serve 125 children with breakfast and a Walmart shopping spree.

- **Dangers of Synthetic Drugs and Opioids**-The Criminal Justice Planner (CJP) has provided the Dangers of Synthetic Drugs and Opioids presentations to 413 Health and PE students at Lafayette and Warhill HS in December 2021 (these were the first in-person classes held in the public schools since the COVID shutdown).
- **Drug Updates**-In addition to the alert sent by the Justice Planner prior to our last meeting regarding “Edible Gummies” infused with Delta-8 THC in the Roanoke region, a new alert

was sent regarding a Hanover County 10-month old child who died but was brought back to life by PD/Fire/EMS & is expected to survive the incident. It would appear that the drug was a strong depressant (possibly opioid/opiate) that was aerosolized and inhaled by the baby.

The Juvenile Justice Committee's 11 public safety videos have been viewed 1,825 times. The Committee's first meeting since the COVID shutdowns was held on 1/27/22 with 13 attendees and good interaction.

b.) CIT & Opioids Abuse Prevention Committee: (*Jack Fitzpatrick for David Coe*)

- Mr. Fitzpatrick provided details from the Colonial Area Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Center (CITAC) FY 2022 Q1/2 report offering a color copy sent via email to any Board members who would like to have it. Colonial CITAC experienced a 25% decrease in total visits last year due to CoVID but is beginning to see a return to its baseline.

FY20-394

FY21-297

FY22-334

- CITAC length of stay has increased dramatically due to the pandemic and the fact that state and private mental hospitals are refusing to accept CoVID positive patients.

FY20-5-hours, 21 minutes

FY21-8-hours, 45 minutes

FY22-9-hours, 19 minutes

The increase is attributed to insufficient bed capacity and state hospital census crisis during CoVID.

- CITAC hours of officer relief has also recorded a substantial increase.

FY21 first 2 quarters-996 hours, 8 minutes

FY22 first 2 quarters-1312 hours, 16 minutes

- Mr. Fitzpatrick further advised that there have been no additional views, since our last meeting, of the Excited Delirium Syndrome (ExDS) video training segment that he created at the request of James City County Emergency Communications Center (ECC). This training was suggested by the National Criminal Justice Training Center following several high-profile in-custody deaths. All Colonial ECC's have been offered the training but none have responded to queries as to whether they are considering employing the ExDS recommendations. York ECC has advised that they would like to make it a part of their training academy.
- The Dangers of Synthetic Drugs and Opioids presentations were provided to 90 Lafayette High School Health and P.E. students on December 12 & 13, 323 Warhill High School Health and P.E. students on December 14 & 15, and three new James City County Police Officers on January 18, 2022. Charles City High School has expressed interest in having the presentation but has recently failed to respond to emails regarding scheduling.

- Mr. Fitzpatrick shared details of an incident where three James City Police officers were able to save a citizen from an opioid overdose when they discovered him dying in his running vehicle at 3 a.m. in a public parking lot. The vehicle was locked and they were required to force entry and administer Narcan.

c.) Re-Entry Committee: (*Jenny Pauls*)

- The **DMV Connect** program—providing photo ID’s to inmates in need—remains on-hold with March 2020 being the last visit. The total served through the program remains at 338.
- The **One Stop Resume’ computer center** at VPRJ remains closed with the exception of Re-Entry Coordinator Danielle Nardi (from Colonial Community Corrections) available to assist individuals on a one-on-one basis.
- **WAITT and MRT:** There are currently 8 females in the WAITT program, of which Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT) is part. Danielle Nardi, who facilitates our MRT program, has reported that they are currently restructuring their MRT program and hiring/training new staff, and therefore they will not be providing in-person instruction until March (tentatively). Both MRT and WAITT classes are designed to be hybrid in nature if in-person cannot occur; the participants can work with workbooks and other assignments that are emailed by our program providers. To date, 40 women have graduated from the WAITT program. Graduation of class 21-3 will likely occur in March.
- **GED:** No females at this time, of the two that were participating early on, one was released and the other was placed on home electronic incarceration (HEI). We have 5 males participating right now. Two of the five have passed all test and will officially graduate when their certificates arrive. The other three are actively studying, mostly self-study, with a teacher coming in for a couple of hours a week to check on them and provide guidance for their self-study.
- The VPRJ’s **video visitation** program remains available for all inmates who are in compliance with jail rules to use one time per week.
- The **New Kent-Charles City Re-Entry Council** has been meeting virtually since August 2021.
- Community Of Faith Mission (COFM) will continue serving the homeless in the Greater Williamsburg area through mid-March. District 34 dealt with an incident where a client arrived in the middle of the night and was denied access to the COFM shelter because he needed to have a negative CoVID test. Ms. Pauls wanted Board members to be aware that despite the low barriers for access to the COFM shelter, CoVID has caused problems with how they are able to serve. A local church and District 34 paid for the client to stay a hotel for several days until he could be admitted to the shelter.

- Mr. Fitzpatrick added that Virginia Career Works has opened their new Williamsburg Center in Lightfoot at Thomas Nelson Community College across from the James City Law Enforcement Center.

8. REPORT OF CCC AGENCY DIRECTOR (*Hal Diggs*)

Mr. Diggs noted that Colonial Community Corrections lost one of the MRT instructors to a job closer to her home and another one who was promoted to a supervisory position. The long term goal is for all CCC personnel to be trained in MRT and to have a class offered at CCC for those who are released from VPRJ. He briefly introduced several bills before the General Assembly which he is monitoring the progress of as they will have an impact on CCC operations. Another risk assessment tool called the PSA is being piloted in three other agencies in the commonwealth and if successful may be introduced statewide to replace the VPRAI. All funding requests have been submitted to the cities and counties with a modest increase requested. Mr. Digs cautioned that next year's request will likely have a greater increase requested as CCC is no longer competitive in the region according to a recent pay study. CCC did not receive the Office on Violence Against Women grant renewal that was under consideration. He noted how much had been accomplished in the six years that we had the grant and that the grant funds will be sorely missed.

9. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Rinehimer noted that the Marcus Alert legislation planning continues with much being considered. He noted that some areas/regions may not be required to have full implementation due to their rural nature and lack of mental health crisis call for service.

Ms. Pauls noted that the Director of the Department of Corrections was recently re-appointed which will smooth the transition to the new administration.

10. CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kinsman noted that, with no additional information to report, he asked for a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Chief Dunn and approved at 7:38 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2022, in New Kent County