

DFO COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

October 16, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig Anderson; Amy Thompson; Dianne Patten; David Erickson; Michael Spindler-Krage; Mark Ostrem; Duane Bakke; Matt Flynn; Christine Beech; Stephanie Morris; Jeffrey Johnson for Janet Kruger; Cresta Valentine

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rose Pappas; Cindy Cox; Dave Mueller; Judge Christina Stevens; Glenda Johnson

OTHERS PRESENT: Shelley McBride; Pat Jacobson; Jeanne Ronayne; Curt Petzel; Travis Gransee; Holly Busby; Rebecca McRoberts; Jeff True; Angela Lettner; Kari Berg; Angela Lange; Sarah Monroe; Star Polzin; Grant Smith; Liza Carlson; Judge Opat; Karen Brown; Melissa Hammel; Mary Harders

- 1. Welcome and Introductions:** Michael Spindler-Krage called the meeting to order. Introductions were made.
- 2. Approval October Agendas** Duane Bakke made a motion to approve with the addition to the agenda and Christina Beech seconded. Motion carried.
- 3. Approval of September Minutes:** David Erickson made a motion to approve the minutes and Dianne Patten seconded. Motion carried.
- 4. Task Force Updates:**

Dodge County Task Force: Stephanie Morris reported that the Task Force met in September. Agenda items covered pending merger of Dodge, Steele and Waseca County Human Services Departments; Curt Petzel spoke about Evidence Based Practices and Drug Court gave an update. Curt Petzel said that the Dodge Probation Staff will remain in their temporary location due to continued radon concerns. Jeanne Ronayne introduced Mary Harders, the new victim advocate in Dodge County.

Fillmore County Task Force: Fillmore County Task Force did not meet due to the Advisory Board being held in Fillmore County.
- 5. DFO Updates:** Shelley McBride, Director updated the board on what has been happening in DFO. The MACCAC Conference was attended by Rose Pappas, Dianne Patten, Curt Petzel, Monty Vikdal, Travis Gransee and Shelley. The conference was good; those that attended gave highlights from the conference. Susan Herman, international speaker on Parallel Justice was in Rochester last week and did a presentation on 'Parallel Justice' and then met with stakeholders to explore how we might as a community, enhance our delivery of services to crime victims. Jeanne Ronayne and others that attended shared their experience with the board. Next week is staff appreciation, breakfast is planned and well as some other events to appreciate staff and the work they do. Data system access is becoming an increasing part of our work. Over time, each of us is becoming more engaged in and reliant upon multiple systems of data. The management team is working to ensure all staff that access systems are properly trained in the use of the systems.

Shelley and the Program Managers met to work on Strategic Planning and setting priorities. We want to make sure we are doing the right things for the right reasons.

Once the strategic priorities are developed, Shelley will share them with the Advisory Board.

Shelley purchased a Crucial Conversation book for all staff and offered the book to Advisory Board members. This book was a recommendation from the respectful workplace workgroup in DFO.

6. DFO Services: Showcase Fillmore County

Program Managers: Curt Petzel and Jeanne Ronayne

Staff: Kari Berg, Kristine Frisby, Angela Lange, Sarah Monroe, Star Polzin, Grant Smith and Cross County Specialized Agents

Curt Petzel, Program Manager handed out a Probation Officer Duties and Responsibilities list that he pulled from the MACPO Website. There are 58 statutory requirements a probation officer has to complete. Curt spoke about the challenges in Fillmore County; some of the challenges are risk levels are increasing, increased use of synthetic drugs, transportation, drivers' license issues and programming for females, family based – in home for juveniles, and keeping resources up to date. Curt introduced the staff in Fillmore County: Grant Smith, Star Polzin, Angela Lange, Kari Berg and Sarah Monroe. Kristine Frisby was not able to attend. Each staff explained what they do and what they are proud of.

The DFO Olmsted Office also provides cross county specialized agents, Holly Busby, Program Manager introduced Rebecca McRoberts and Jeff True, Rebecca and Jeff provide services to adult predatory offenders clients in Fillmore County. Travis Gransee, Program Manager introduced Angie Lettner. Angie provides services to juvenile sex offender clients in Fillmore County. Each staff spoke about the work they do in Fillmore County.

Jeanne Ronayne, Program manager introduced Sarah Monroe. Sarah spoke about her work in Fillmore county and the noted increase in OFF's and Restraining Orders since the closing of the Fillmore Family Resource center, a year ago.

Karen Brown, Fillmore County Coordinator was recognized for her work. Karen will be retiring in December.

7. November Advisory Board Meeting: November 20th in Olmsted

- 8. Adjourn:** Mark Ostrem moved to adjourn the meeting and Dianne Patten seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
Pat Jacobson