

LIVINGSTON COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: December 15, 2020 12:00 pm

Virtual Meeting Held in Accordance of Public Act 228 of 2020

Members Present: Sheriff M. Murphy, C. Conklin, T. Zahon, C. Griffin, Judge M. Hatty, K. Groenhout, Judge M. Cavanaugh’s designee, D. Shaw, Chief D. Russell, D. Awrey, C. Skiles

Members Absent: Judge D. Bain, B. Vaillencourt, K. Lawrence

Others Present: R. Sacharski, M. Kerekes

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff M. Murphy, Chairperson of the Livingston County Community Corrections Advisory Board (LCCCAB), at 12:06pm

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated a presence of a quorum.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda.

Moved by: D. Awrey

Seconded by: C. Griffin

MOTION CARRIED (10-0-0)

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the October 27th, 2020 meeting.

Moved by: T. Zahon

Seconded by: C. Griffin

MOTION CARRIED (10-0-0)

5. Call to the Public

None

6. REPORT OF CHAIRPERSON

Sheriff M. Murphy reports that they've continued to limit the programs in jail due to the pandemic. He commends his staff for assisting Ingham County by taking several of their inmates due to a COVID-19 outbreak in their jail.

7. REPORT OF MANAGER

- Thinking Matters – We now have a contract with Key Development Center and the groups transitioned to KDC in December. We continue to have low group numbers due to multiple graduates in October and November. Megan will attend the agent staff meeting on 12/18/20.
- SUD services – We're working with Adult Drug Court, as they received a significant decrease in funding, to have felony ADC offenders referred to Community Corrections for SUD services. We received several referrals in November from ADC.
- TREM – This continues to be a program of low utilization. Megan worked with KDC to move the group from closed to open, to allow a continuous flow of referrals throughout the fiscal year. We now have 5 MDOC female participants, but we have yet to receive any referrals to the male group.
- Megan went over the Budget Adjustment Request form (BAR) to request to move \$20,000 of funding to Substance Abuse Testing, in an effort to assist felony ADC offenders in getting the treatment and testing required of them. This will help increase utilization for Community Corrections and assist felony ADC offenders as ADC received a reduction in funding. K. Groenhout asked about funding and where the proposed number came from. It was reported to be based on the cost per test, the length of the ADC program, and the 10 months left of the fiscal year, which estimates to help up to 15 felony participants. It was discussed that if we're not utilizing what we anticipated, we can complete another BAR mid fiscal year.
- We received our FY21 Grant; it was reviewed by counsel, signed by Chairperson Commissioner Griffith and sent back to MDOC last week. We received the fully executed copy on Friday, December 11th.
- Megan mentioned that we're still trying to gather information for the pretrial services pilot program. Megan has been in contact with other counties about their pretrial services programs, has an upcoming LEIN training in January, and we're waiting for the new prosecutor and staff to start in the new year.
- Megan reviewed FY20 OMNI data. Judge M. Hatty and R. Sacharski both made mention that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the numbers will likely be skewed for this year, and the PCR may very well increase once jury trials pick back up in 2021.

8. MOTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- Motion to submit the Budget Adjustment Request Form and Substance Abuse Testing Program Description to MDOC.

Moved by: K. Groenhout

Seconded by: D. Awrey

MOTION CARRIED (10-0-0)

9. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

- Sheriff M. Murphy concurred with Judge M. Hatty about the PCR numbers and how next year will most likely be an anomaly. He also mentioned the jail has a new contract with CMH to bring in mental health services for inmates, as well as assisting to ensure continued treatment once they're released.
- C. Conklin confirmed this and states she's excited to partner with the jail and provide community outreach.
- D. Awrey reports that MichiganWorks! misses working with the inmates in the jail and hopes to develop a referral process so inmates follow up with MichiganWorks! once they're released.
- C. Skiles reports that she's happy to hear about the adjustments to the TREM program and is waiting to be able to assist with the inmates again.
- T. Zahon noted that there's been a significant reduction in the number of probationers since the pandemic started, which in turn is impacting referrals to Community Corrections programs.
- D. Shaw mentioned Raise the Age program and its impact on Juvenile Court.
- M. Kerekes thanked for the Board for their support as a new manager and to the Community Corrections program.
- R. Sacharski is excited about the partnership with ADC in hopes that it will increase utilization and build the Community Corrections program. Also, looking ahead toward pretrial services as we're hoping to build a foundation for a solid Community Corrections program.
- C. Griffith thanked the Board and staff, and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Judge M. Hatty thanked all of the court/jail staff for their role in ensuring that justice is being served and the court remains a safe environment. He mentioned that M. Kerekes might want to join an ADC staffing meeting to get more acquainted with the program, staff, and referrals.

10. NEXT MEETING

January 12th, 2020 @ 12:00 pm

11. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

12. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 12:51pm Chairperson, Sheriff M. Murphy.

Recording Secretary: M. Kerekes