

**Public Safety Improvement Act (PSIA)
Oversight Council Meeting**

Monday, May 5th, 2014 • 10:00am MST
School of Mines Room 109 • Classroom Building
Rapid City, SD

Attendance:

Chief Justice Appointments: Judge Jeff Davis, Judge Patricia Riepel (via videoconference), Attorney Bruce Hubbard, Greg Sattizahn (SCAO)

Legislative Appointments: Senator Larry Lucas, Senator Craig Tieszen, Representative Jacqueline Sly, Representative Karen Soli

Governor Appointments: Jim Seward (Chair), Mark Smith (Board of Pardons and Paroles), Secretary Denny Kaemingk (DOC), Amy Iversen-Pollreisz (DSS)

Attorney General Appointment: Aaron McGowan (Minnehaha County States Attorney) (via videoconference)

Council Staff: Troy Schmid (SCAO)

Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions

Council Chair Jim Seward called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

BJA JRI Grant Proposal Introduction – (Jim Seward)

Jim Seward gave an overview of the BJA JRI Grant Proposal as well as read from it. The document was also included in the provided binder.

BJA Discussion – (Pennington County Sheriff Kevin Thom and Barry Tice of the Rebound program)

Thom and Tice gave a lengthy explanation of the status of the BJA Justice Reinvestment Initiative covering the following points:

- Intensive Meth Treatment is set to be a four-phase program designed for the female prison population and encompassing multiple years of work.
- Electronic Monitoring
 - Focused on the Work Release population early on
 - Offender-paid program currently monitoring 50 people a day
 - Program consists of daily check-ins and random UAs
 - 76% success rate 3 years ago.
- Meth treatment currently lasts around a year's time. Phase 3 & 4 typically average around 90 & 180 days, respectively.
- Tice and Bruce Hubbard concur that the primary concerns are housing and mental health care.
- Transitional housing is more effective but more is needed

- Sheriff's Department in Pennington County has allowed the Rebound Program to use vehicles and bicycles for transportation purposes
- Currently "two and a half" individuals tasked with the Rebound Program. There is an in-house coordinator, an out-of-house coordinator and Tice
- Currently using the Zuercher system to evaluate potential enrollees
- Rebound focuses on county reentry and not state reentry
- Concerns raised regarding data collection and usage
- Program will possibly evolve following an Evidence Based Practices review

Lunch Break

Implementation Status Reports

Department of Corrections' PSIA Status Update – (Secretary Denny Kaemingk and Kim Edson)

Secretary Denny Kaemingk outlined the recent updates and status of the DOC's implementation of the PSIA. Kim Edson followed up with additional information (Much of this information is contained in the status implementation document).

- Earned Discharge Credit Program - Through March 2014, a total of 577,916 credits have been awarded through the EDC implementation
- Transitional Housing – Request for Proposal sent in Feb 2014 and responses were received in March. Currently negotiating with one respondent.
- Reinvestment Fund – Payments to be made to counties as early as Oct 2014
- Tribal Pilot – Sisseton Wahpeton Tribe & DOC have come to an agreement
- EBP Training – 100% of agents trained in EBP; 100% of Parole Board members trained in EBP
 - EPICS Train the Trainers underway
- Prison population & parole population have remained consistent since June 2013. Prison population on target for Pew's projection. Parole population has had a slight decline, but should level out.
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Unified Judicial System's PSIA Status Update – (Greg Sattizahn)

Greg Sattizahn outlined the recent updates and status of the UJS's implementation of the PSIA. (Much of this information is contained in the status implementation document).

- EDC - 74.37% earning efficiency for EDC credits
- Sanctions and Incentives – Specific numbers and percentages included in PowerPoint documentation
- Presumptive Probation – 56% of Class 5's and 6's sent to probation which is lower than the estimated numbers

Department of Social Services' PSIA Status Update – (Amy Iversen-Pollreisz)

Amy Iversen-Pollreisz outlined the recent updates and status of DSS's implementation of the PSIA. (Much of this information is contained in the status implementation document).

- Chemical Dependency programs have been getting good reviews
- 270 referrals to the CBISA and MRT for Cl. 5/6 parolees and probationers
- MRT now offered in the 4th Cir.

Presentation by Vera Institute on dashboards and seed funding projects

- **The Council endorsed the seed funding projects developed by DSS, UJS and DOC and authorized Chairman Jim Seward to review the final application**

Stakeholder Impact Update - (Sheriff Kevin Thom, Pennington County States Attorney Mark Vargo, Pennington County Public Defender Eric Whitcher)

Thom, Vargo, and Whitcher gave a presentation regarding the impact of SB70 programs and trials in Pennington County.

- Discussion about elimination of preliminary hearings
- People are occasionally now choosing presumptive probation over Drug Court due to probation currently being less restrictive. He also admitted that perhaps the specialty courts are catching the correct high-risk folks.
- The length of the DUI look-back has become a large concern
- There is worry over the rapid expansion of drug courts
- More probation officers are wanted in Pennington County due to the increasing workload

HOPE Court Pilot Update – (Judge Myren)

Judge Myren gave the Council a short HOPE Court Pilot update regarding Walworth County.

- Walworth County is operational but Minnehaha (the other proposed county) has not begun yet.
- Amy responded that they are currently working on getting more proposals for rural pilots and treatment delivery.

Endorsement of JRI Grant Plan and Application

- Motioned, seconded, and approved unanimously

Questions and Comments

- There were no questions or comments at this time.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting date will be determined. Some date near November 2014 was proposed for the next meeting. Further information will be provided when a date is determined.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.