

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION (CJPAC)

Thursday, April 28, 2016

## Meeting Minutes

**Members Present:** *Chairman Mike Lawlor*, Under Secretary, Criminal Justice Policy and Planning Division, OPM; *Steve Grant*, Executive Director, CSSD; *Josh Howroyd*, Legislative Program Manager, Department of Children and Families, *Scott DeVico*, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; *Thomas Saadi*, General Counsel & Director of Legislative Affairs, Department of Veterans' Affairs; *Brian Carlow*, Division of Public Defender Services, *Scott Semple*, Commissioner, Department of Corrections, *Rich Sparaco*, Board of Pardons and Paroles, *Chief James Kenny*, Chiefs of Police Association, *Loel Meckel*, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, *Karen Jarmoc*, Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, *Natasha Pierre*, State Victim Advocate

### I. Welcome and Policy Update

Acknowledging the new budget reality. Trend of fewer arrests. Second Chance Society Initiative adjustments have been made, victims input, and others.

This meeting was broadcast on CT-N. <http://www.ct-n.com/ctnplayer.asp?odID=12790>

The Monthly Indicators Report can be found on the OPM website:

[http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2976&Q=383680&opmNav\\_GID=1797](http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2976&Q=383680&opmNav_GID=1797)

### II. Approval of Minutes from February 25, 2016

Minutes were approved.

### III. Introductions

Members introduced themselves and stated what agency they represented.

### IV. Presentations

- Mapping Prisoners and Offenders in Community Supervision Presentation

[http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160427\\_cjpacj\\_presentation\\_mapping.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160427_cjpacj_presentation_mapping.pdf)

- Community Supervision and Inmates Map on CJPPD Website

<http://ctmaps.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=fb6a96b3f13c476a8238bdf39f61ec63>

- Mapping by age on CJPPD Website

<http://ctmaps.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=defe1b3350b247298f21f27975411f76&folderid=76d130f7cf5d4038930bb311977f10ec>

- Update on the MacArthur Grant

- The State of Connecticut was the first state to be selected for this grant.

- Update document link below

[http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160427\\_cjpac\\_sjc\\_summary\\_me mo.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160427_cjpac_sjc_summary_me mo.pdf)

- Fact sheet link below  
[http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160427\\_cjpac\\_connecticut-safety-justice-challenge-fact-sheet.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160427_cjpac_connecticut-safety-justice-challenge-fact-sheet.pdf)
- Traffic Stop and EDWs Statistics Study by IMRP (Andrew Clark and Ken Barone)
  - <http://www.ctcp3.org/>
  - To deter racial profiling, law enforcement agencies since October 1, 2013 have been required to submit police stop data electronically to the state
  - Taser use reports are also collected, this report will come out within a week or two after the traffic stop report

## VI. Agency Updates

Members provided updates on their agencies and latest initiatives.

**Division of Public Defender Services** – working with lab and State’s Attorney Office is working together to realize a new hair comparison technology initiative

**Office of the Victim Advocate** – the House Bill to remove firearms from people with a temporary restraining order was passed through the house last night, trying to understand how budget cuts will impact victims of domestic violence and helping people at risk, domestic violence fatality review will release a report on domestic violence homicide in the fall, batterer intervention programming resulted in legislation that was approved last session, offender standards become affect July 1<sup>st</sup>

**Board of Pardons and Paroles (BOPP)** – was able to enhance CaseNotes with a Byrne grant, hearings are up 12% since last March, grant rate of about 56%, and hearings for Technical Violation cases are up, and have heard 6 cases that have resulted in release back to the community, the board is worried about cuts for programming

**DESPP** – Narcan initiative up to 83 saves, Governor Malloy and Commissioner Schriro at Troop K announcing drug drop boxes. These will be available at all troops across the state, this was sponsored by CVS

**Court Support Services Division (CSSD)** – adult probation recidivism rate has dropped to under 38% the lowest it has ever been, in the first quarter of 2016 have seen an increase of 400 court arrangements, but the pretrial population is down, JRI has interviewed 900 more people than the previous year, those releases have results in over 2500 accused people being released

**Department of Correction (DOC)** – DOC population on 4/27, is 15,437 down 668 from last year, sentenced down 55 and accused down 1.5%, and parole management component is up 12.5% due to the work of CRU, which helped release more and with more consistency

**Department of Children and Families (DCF)** – workforce reduction, total 127 laid off employees, primarily at CJTS, current population at CJTS is 39 at the moment, consolidated the youth into 3 units at CJTS, the intake process has been refined, not that there is a release en masse, plans to close CJTS by July 2016 are still on course,

**Department of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHAS)** – Gambling information sheets  
[http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160428\\_cjpachandout1\\_dmhas.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/cjppd/cjcjpac/20160428_cjpachandout1_dmhas.pdf)  
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**Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence** - Worried about the budget and making contingency plans, trying to uphold services for victims, hopeful for these two bills to move through the senate: HB 56-21, concerning human trafficking, HB 56-05 concerning termination of parental rights, over 800 untested sexual assault evidence collection kits were found and there was a special group made to address this issue,

**Department of Education** – launched a new interactive data portal, which can be found at this site: <http://edsight.ct.gov/SASPortal/main.do>. Department of Education gave a presentation on school discipline to the Board of Education and could present that at CJPAC if desired

## **VII. Subcommittee Updates**

**PJOR** – NA

**Behavioral health** – See DMHAS Update

**Victim issues** – NA

## **VIII. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## **IX. Adjournment**

Mike Lawlor adjourned the meeting.