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MINUTES

Meeting of the Justice Advisory Council

July 14, 2017

8:30 am-10:00 am

69 West Washington 22nd Floor Conference Room 2200 A1

Chicago, IL 60602

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Justice Advisory Council met on July 14, 2017 at 69 W. Washington 22nd Floor Conference Room 2200- A1, Chicago Illinois. Justice Advisory Council Member Justice Burke called the meeting to order at 8:35a.m.

JAC Council Board Member Attendance	Present	Absent
Honorable Justice Anne Burke	x	
Honorable William H. Hooks		x
Judge (ret) Rhoda Sweeney	x	
Dia S. Weil	x	
Edith Crigler		x
Lisa S. Stephens	x	
Victor Henderson, Esq.		x
Anna Lusero	x	
Ed. Tivador		x
County Staff Present	Present	Absent
President Toni Preckwinkle	x	
Lanetta Haynes Turner Esq. President's Office	x	
Rebecca Janowitz, JAC	x	
Patrick McPhilimy, JAC	x	
LaToscha Hoover, JAC	x	
Floyd Stafford, JAC	x	
Wynetta Scales, JAC	x	

Members of the Public: Doug Bright (Justice System Restart Initiative), JoAnn Becker (ARC), Justice P. Scott Neville, Kevin Hogan (YMCA), Ryan Keesling (Free Write Arts & Literacy), Horace Howard (Stop Mental Health), Annie McGowan (Civic Federation), Laurence Msall (Civic Federation), Laurie Cohen (Civic Federation), Alexander Bahls.

I. Call to Order: JAC Chair Burke called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

II. Remarks: Chair Burke welcomed everyone and asked that we go around the table for introductions. President Preckwinkle thanked everyone and spoke briefly about the challenges of the layoffs of approximately 300 County Employees and vacant positions. Rebecca Janowitz (Special Assistant for Legal Affairs) reported that the Career Launch Program of \$300,000, the Violence Prevention Grants \$800,000 and the Collective Impact \$900,000 may potentially be affected. The President advised that the Justice Advisory Council Department will have a new Executive Director and may lose a Grant Position.

III. Review of Minutes: Chair Burke asked Council Members to review the minutes from May 24, 2017 and motion to approve if no changes are needed. The motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes and it was confirmed that a quorum was in place.

IV. Council Discussion:

A. Rebecca Janowitz visited one of the JAC grantees which was IMAN (Inner-City Muslim Action Network) and asked that the Council Members join for future upcoming site visits of grantees. A JAC Staff member will circulate a list with dates to each Council Member. Rebecca said IMAN started a clinic that is open 7 days a week. The services that they currently provide include behavioral health and dental care. They offer a Green Re-entry program for newly released inmates that reside there and train for construction. The ex-inmates are referred or brought there. The program participants repair buildings which contribute to expanding the housing available

Justice Burke asked if the Safer Foundation knows about this program and asked that a letter be sent to advise them.

B. Rebecca suggested that it would be very helpful to have council members (limited to 1-2 on each visit), accompany Staff on grant site visits. This was agreed on and a JAC staff member will circulate a list to the Council members. The full list of JAC grantees is on the website, but the request was made to send a current list of all grantees to JAC members. Rebecca provided a handout summarizing the history, responsibilities and results of the Justice Advisory Council.

C. Justice Burke stated that the Bond Court renovation should be completed sometime next year, that there is a new program for pre-trial services and that the Public Defender and State's Attorney will work together regarding backgrounds of detainees in regard to bond amounts as well as work on an integrated data base to share information. Ali Abid (Program Coordinator) mentioned that the Expungement Act passed both houses and is now waiting on the Governor's signature and would automatically become law on August 30th, 2017 if the Governor does not sign [Update: the Governor signed the bill on August 24th]. The new law would automatically expunge certain crimes after 2 years of no other arrests. The Juvenile Probation of 5 years mandatory has ended. The JTDC has an inmate reduction of 25% with a daily population of 7300 and 400-230 closing of PODS.

D. Anna Lusero asked about what information pretrial services provides regarding defendants in Bond court. Justice Burke responded that there is a new order coming out on this and she would provide the Chief Judge's draft.

V. New Business: No New Business.

VI. Public Comments: No public comments at this time.

VII. Adjournment: Chair Burke adjourned the meeting at 9:44 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2017.