

Public Safety Coordinating Council
Volusia County
Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida
May 19, 2008 - 3:00 PM
Daytona Beach, Florida
MINUTES

APPROVED AS WRITTEN – 08/12/08

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Marilyn Chandler-Ford, Volusia County Corrections
Art Giles, Volusia County Council
Melanie Anderson, Clerk's Office
Fred North, State Department of Corrections
Janet Miller, ACT Corporation
Angela Fazio, Mental Health Association
Bob Bobek, State Attorney's Office
Shirley Olson, Court Administration
Bill Lee, Volusia County Sheriff's Office
Dennis Moon, Judicial Corrections Services
Chet Bell, Stewart Marchman Center

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Vinnie Vecchi, Volusia County Sheriff's Office
David Mims, New Smyrna Beach PD
Evelyn Thompson, Volusia County Info Technology
Dona DeMarsh, Volusia County Community Services
Jim White, Family Member of Consumer
Elaine Holt, Advocate
Dotti Lewis, Project Care
Jim Ryan, Volusia County Public Protection
Jim Willits, Volusia County Public Protection

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Art Giles called the April 21, 2008 meeting of the Volusia County Public Safety Coordinating Council to order at 3:05 PM and roll call was completed.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Giles called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the April 21, 2008 meeting. As there were no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved as written.

III. REPORTS

A. JAIL REPORT – Marilyn Chandler Ford

Dr. Ford reported the average daily population year to date is 1,376. Today's population is 1,470 which includes 262 females. This is not unusual as summer months typically run a little higher. This can be attributed to an increase in admissions and an increase in the number of felons.

B. CJIS REPORT – Evelyn Thompson

Accomplishments on the Project since last month include the installation of the Jail Management System software and the preparations needed to begin user testing of that system in a few weeks. There was a technical training session held with all the agencies on May 5th to help the vendors who are programming the data exchanges and address any questions or issues they may be experiencing. A proposal was submitted to the state Supreme Court (Electronic Filing Committee) this month requesting approval of the process for electronic filing and electronic signatures that will be a part of the new system. Coming up in June will be the final checkpoint meetings for the Clerk's Office to see the customizations that have been done by the vendor for their new system.

C. PRE-TRIAL SERVICES – Mark Weinberg

Shirley Olson distributed the pre-trial report and reported they have an average of 750 defendants per month reporting for court date. The closure rate for these cases is highly successful. The meeting with the Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission for approval of the accreditation process is scheduled for June 10th.

D. CRIMINAL JUSTICE, MENTAL HEALTH, & SUBSTANCE ABUSE REINVESTMENT GRANT – VOLUSIA COUNTY PROJECT – Carrie Baird

Dona DeMarsh distributed the summary report in Ms. Baird's absence. Ms. DeMarsh reported that interviews have been conducted with the mental health providers and partners. The next interview is scheduled with the Division of Corrections. The committee is finding that data collected is completely different for each agency. The data will be analyzed to determine how they can use like data and pull it together to accurately project what the target population will be. The next step will be for the committee to meet and make recommendations on the target population for the project. This information will be presented to the PSCC for discussion/approval.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Schedule next meeting – It was decided the next meeting be scheduled 4-6 weeks.

VI. DISCUSSION

Chet Bell reported on the merger between Stewart Marchman and ACT Corporation. The merger is some time off but will bring crisis services together at the Pine Grove facility. There will be a single point of entry and everyone will be co-trained in service delivery.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Art Giles adjourned the meeting at 3:23 PM.