

Jail Subcommittee
Illinois Department of Corrections
1301 Concordia Ct
Springfield, Illinois 62794
Executive Conference Room
10:30am-12:00pm
July 7, 2015

APPROVED

Members present: Gladyse Taylor, Pam Rodriguez, David Olson, Greg Sullivan
Member by phone: Judge Stephen Sawyer

Non members participated: Robin Riggs, Joe Rose, Sharon Shipinski, Amber Bolden, and Bob Bowen, Roger Heaton

Non members by phone: Chasity Boyce,

Public: Brian Mackey

Call to order/Roll Call/ Introductions

Chair Gladyse Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:30am and called roll. It was determined there was a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: After changes in the drafted minutes, Pam Rodriguez made a motion to approve minutes, which was second by Greg Sullivan. All in favor none opposed.

Review of Jail Survey, David Olson

- Dave Olson drafted a Jail survey on behalf of the committee for review. Greg Sullivan also had a survey they he sent out to jails. As a committee they both reviewed and compared each survey.
- Greg Sullivan will reach out to the top 20 jails in Illinois to pass around survey to see who is doing programs in their jail.
- Greg Sullivan stated he will send the survey out to a few jurisdictions to get feedback on the structure and wording of the questions
- Many of the jails gave up GED funding
- All 20 jails have mental health treatment services which is by law
- Dave Olson stated he will send out updated survey questions to the committee for their review and edits.
- Greg Sullivan suggested to do an in person survey interview compared to mailing the surveys out. He believes the jails' Administrators would respond faster.
- Joe Rose volunteered to assist with surveying jails on a one on one basis and will begin scheduling the interviews. The committee suggested to limit the interviews to 10 to 15 minutes
- Sullivan stated he will get a list from Mike Funk of the jails but not look at Cook County, and get Mike Funk input on how to go about sending out survey to jails.

Individuals on MSR housed in county jails pending disposition of new cases vs. MSR violators with new cases being housed in IDOC

Dr. Shipinski from IDOC provided an overview of parole technical violators for the jail subcommittee. Technical violators are defined as parolees who violate one of the 16 conditions of parole and are returned to an IDOC facility. Examples of technical violations include those with new criminal charges pending (but not convicted), those who abscond from supervision or flee out of state, as well as those who violate electronic monitoring. Parolees who are returned with charges pending are writ back and forth to court until the conclusion of their cases. IDOC is considering a legislative proposal which would mandate that parolees with new criminal charges pending would remain in county jail until their court case is resolved (attached). It is estimated this would save the state approximately \$7,689,212 annually as the felony conviction rate on these new cases is only about 40%.

Next Meeting: Location, Dates, Time and Agenda

The committee voted to have the next meeting on Tuesday August 11 at 10:30am at Illinois Department of Corrections Headquarters Springfield, IL.

Agenda topics for the next meeting:

- Progress on Survey

Adjournment

Chair Taylor made a motion to adjourn, which was second Greg Sullivan. All in favor, none opposed meeting adjourned at 12:25pm