

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

MINUTES TUESDAY,
JAN. 24, 2012

11:30

JUSTICE BUILDING –
JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM, 2ND FLOOR

MEETING CALLED BY	Shane Hagey
ATTENDEES	Lee Ayers, Christine Bronson, Kent Brown, Rodney Countryman, Tim Doney, Doug Engle, Julie Evans, Tim George, Shane Hagey, Brad Hicks, Danny Jordan, Bob Kleker, Lorenzo Mejia, Michele Morales, Mark Orndoff, Mark Reagles, Don Skundreck, John Stromberg, Randy Sparacino, Michaela Beck

- Shane Hagey opened the meeting at 11:30 am
- Opening Remarks: Shane welcomed everyone to the January PSCC meeting. Shane asked if there were any new attendees and none were present. Shane said that Jodi Merritt is currently at a Domestic Violence Meeting in D.C..

Agenda topics

MINUTES ADOPTION (NOVEMBER)

SHANE HAGEY

DISCUSSION	
Shane mentioned there was no meeting last month and hoped that everyone had good holidays. Shane asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes and he proposed a motion to continue and formally adopt the minutes. The motion was seconded by Lee Ayers and Danny Jordan and the November minutes were formally adopted.	

UPDATE PSCC SUB-COMMITTEE

MARK ORNDOFF

DISCUSSION	
Mark Orndoff provided an update on the issues regarding the Mental Health Task Force. He said they are using a screening tool at the jail to determine mental health issues and will use this tool for one month and watch the progress. Mark reports the St. Vincent de Paul facility is currently at 25% capacity and is definitely a resource to pursue. Mark requested multiple agencies work together on this task force. Shane Hagey suggested getting a core group together then bringing in other agencies when their expertise as needed. Mark Orndoff said contacts which are made at the hospital cost more, especially through the Emergency Room, and that we need to make sure the money is available to cover the Emergency Room cost. Jodi Merritt will put together a list of the contacts who need treatment, however, confidentiality is still an issue, according to Mark. Danny Jordan said the State should allow the release of the names because it is state funded. Mark said due to HIPPA, confidentiality is still an issue. Mark reports that 400 contacts have been made so far regarding mental health issues. Tim George said 10% of the 400 are repeaters in the MPD area alone. Mark Orndoff said to let him know if anyone has ideas regarding the task force.	

UPDATE – FINANCIAL IMPACTS ON COURTS

BOB KLEKER

DISCUSSION	
Bob Kleker advised the financial impact to the courts is unknown at this time. Bob Kleker reports the court took a 1.3 million cut. There were cuts in the number of staff for bailiffs, a Pre-trial officer, and a civil clerk. He mentioned the four open positions will not be filled. Bob said the court had reductions in June 2009 and 2011, and are looking at additional potential cuts of 3.5%, 7% and 10.5%, in addition to the 11% realized in June 2011. One proposal includes closing two hours in the afternoon, but remaining open five days a week. Bob said they are currently closed during the lunch hour. If the court takes another 7% cut, they will have to cut another 5.9 positions. Judges' position and pay cannot be cut, however everything else is being evaluated. Bob mentioned that cutting arraignments affects the jail. Currently, 53% of the budget is being utilized within the first year. Judge Lorenzo Mejia said the Chamber of Commerce has always supported the court and any support is appreciated. Danny Jordan said the Department of Corrections is proposing to close six prisons, but for now, they must leave them open due to bed space. Lee Ayers suggested keeping offenders in a local jail instead of prison. Danny Jordan said Oregon currently is among the top five states with the lowest recidivism rate. He also reports the state is currently using funds that are not being used locally and reallocating them to other areas.	

DISCUSSION	
	<p>Tim George gave a presentation on MADIU, the Major Assault & Death Investigation Unit. He provided an informational packet, which outlined the procedures for when deadly physical force is used within Jackson County. This plan is under the Cooperative Policing Agreement as Appendix 9. Tim George said the Cooperative Policing Agreement binder is updated every two years and policies change constantly. Appendix 9 includes Senate Bill 211 on officer involved shootings. In 2007, it was decided that a plan was needed for officer shootings. The plan was accepted in April 2008 and listed the procedures. Tim George said if a shooting occurs in Medford's jurisdiction then it belongs to Medford Police. However, if Medford Police is the shooting agency, then the case will be handled by another agency. Tim Doney reports MADIU is a group of officers from multiple agencies that are called into action in these types of situations.</p>

ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

SHANE HAGEY

DISCUSSION	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shane Hagey requested topics for future meetings. He has asked Julie Evans to speak about schools, statistics and safety in a future meeting. Shane suggested Julie Evans join forces with Medford Police and put together information about safety in schools.• Shane Hagey said he hopes to have an update from Salem about the budget soon.• Danny Jordan suggested taking a trip, during an upcoming meeting, to the new site for the Sheriff's Office at 5179 Crater Lake Hwy.• Brad Hicks said he will obtain an update from the lobbyist regarding legislative changes.

Next Scheduled PSCC Meeting: Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 11:30 am

Meeting adjourned 12:50