



## AGENDA

### COUNTY OF KERN COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

5121 Stockdale Highway, Suite #100  
Bakersfield, CA 93309

Meeting  
Friday, August 19, 2011  
8:30 a.m.

- 1) Roll Call of CCP Members
- 2) Approval of Minutes from CCP Meeting of August 11, 2011.  
NEED FOR MOTION AND VOTE.
- 3) Public Presentations  
This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee. Speakers are limited to two minutes. Please state and spell your name before making your presentation.
- 4) Committee Announcements  
Committee Announcements or reports to make referral to staff or take action and to place a matter of business on a future agenda.
- 5) Report out on Supervision Sub-Committee  
The Supervision Sub-Committee will meet on August 18, 2011, and will discuss the impact of additional county supervision requirements as a result of AB 109. Potential proposals to deal with this issue will also be discussed.
- 6) Report out on Inmate Sub-Committee  
The Inmate Sub-Committee will meet on August 17, 2011, and will discuss the impact of additional county inmates as a result of AB 109. Potential proposals to deal with this issue will also be discussed.
- 7) Mental Health and Substance Abuse Impacts on Kern resulting from AB109 - RECEIVE AND FILE.
- 8) Request for Approval of Proposed Strategic Plan Required to Address Gaps Resulting from State Realignment of Public Safety Programs to approve the implementation of the Sheriff's Office proposed strategic plan required to successfully undertake the transfer of State public safety programs to the County – NEED FOR MOTION AND VOTE.

9) Executive Committee Business

Executive Committee to decide on plan to present to Board of Supervisors, including discussion and suggestion from all CCP members. Also, discuss and determine when roll out plan is to be implemented.

Stage 1 – Three month plan

Stage 2 – Six month plan

NEED FOR MOTION AND VOTE.

10) Next CCP Meeting

There will be a discussion regarding the next full CCP meeting.

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**August 19, 2011**

**MINUTES**

Chairman David Kuge called the meeting to order at 08:31 a.m. Chief Kuge thanked everyone for attending and introduced Tom Morgan from County Counsel to speak regarding some Brown Act issues concerning the Board.

Tom Morgan – Mentioned current issues regarding the Brown Act. Mr. Morgan wanted to make it clear that the CCP Committee and Executive Committee were two separate entities. Each would need to be convened and adjourned separately. Public Hearing portion of any substanding plan related matter will occur after the Executive Committee discusses the matter and is prepared to consider public comment. Recommended next meeting be properly agendized and CCP members be prepared to provide input and discuss recommendations to the Executive Committee.

**1. Roll Call -** Taken by Lupe Gomez.

Members Present: David Kuge, Presiding Judge Michael Bush, Lily Alvarez, Pat Cheadle, Karen Goh, Verna Lewis, TR Merickel, Arthur Titus, James Waterman, Greg Williamson, Donny Youngblood, John Nilon, Facilitator.

Not Present: Tom Corson (Jayme Stuart – Representative), Lisa Green (Mark Pafford – Representative), Christine Lizardi Frazier.

Attendees: Rosemary Wahl, Rick Ross, Greg Gonzales, Sylvia Pettit, Ron Strand, Sandra Quigley, Dominic Eyherabide, Brandon Beecher, Nick Dunn, Jacey Cooper.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from August 11, 2011 Board meeting were approved.

Presiding Judge Michael Bush and Lily Alvarez will abstain from voting.

Motion submitted by Donny Youngblood to accept minutes a second by TR Merickel, all in favor motion approved.

**3. Public Presentations**

No public presentations.

**4. Committee Announcements**

**Letter from ACLU – Clarissa Woo & Hector Velagra**

David Kuge received two letters from ACLU, they addressed that they are interested in attending the CCP meetings and reviewing all minutes and agendas, an attachment

regarding twelve recommendations was attached. David Kuge mentioned that it was still up to the Executive Committee to vote on this recommendation.

## **5. Report out on Supervision Sub-Committee**

TR Merickel, went over Probation's proposed plans for AB 109 Supervision, Plan one, Plan two and Plan three. Plan one was regarding the caseload of a parole agent and the ratios. Currently parole has a 47 to 1 ratio. It was mentioned by studies that the ideal caseload is 40 to 60 after that, the efficiency of the supervision goes down. A 58 to 1 ratio is something that we could certainly work with: Two additional units for post-release supervision population. The first year would be a little higher cost due to vehicle purchase, fuel, equipment and training as well as hiring new officers. The yearly estimated cost would be three million dollars and for nine months it would be 2.2 million.

Plan two would be for the non-population which would be an increase of Probation population where as people can no longer go to prison. Basically we would duplicate those services and that would be two additional supervision units that would allow 57 to 1 ratio.

Part of the third phase of the plan would be Electric Monitoring Program (EMP) officers, helping reduce the jail population. The proposal would be to add four additional EMP officers; typically we would want a ratio of one officer to every 30 person on EMP. This would increase the ability to place people on EMP by 120 which would potentially free up 100. The cost for one year would be \$670,000 and for the first nine months the cost would be \$503,000.

Mr. Merickel also proposed that to seek funding to expand and run The Day Reporting Center (DRC), which is roughly about one million dollars that can be doubled. With 100 defendants on a six month program, so over 200 in a given year it seems like an ideal plan that he wanted to show. A yearly cost of this plan would be 7.5 million and that would be off the 14 million. Going forward it would be 6.5 million without the start up costs. It would be broken down by nine months the first year then nine months without the start up costs. He mentioned over 20 different counties are going to a 50 to 1 ratio with their supervision.

## **6. Report out on Inmate Sub-Committee**

Rosemary Wahl, reported the Inmate Sub-Committee met on August 17<sup>th</sup> and had representatives from Sheriff's, Probation, Mental Health, Turning Point, CAO and the Fire Department. There was a lot of discussion regarding how everyone will need to work together to make all of the programs work.

Immediate needs for the Sherriff's Department include opening up three additional barracks at the Lerdo Male Minimum Facility, bringing in another 112 beds into the Pre-Trial Facility turning single cells into double cells and add four additional Detention Deputies to screen the inmates.

The Electronic Monitoring Program is something the Sheriff's Department is really going to need as they are going to run out of beds the first month. Even with opening up the three barracks and the addition of bunk beds that is only going to provide 238 additional beds so in

one month they will fill that up. Electronic Monitoring would be a program that would be for prisoners or inmates that are still going through the court process, in lieu of bail, but have not been sentenced yet. They would like to start this program with 100 monitors which would free up 100 beds.

The Sheriff's Department would like to increase the Work Release Program by 100 additional participants which would generate revenue for the county and also provide a free work force for the different departments throughout the city and the county.

Mental Health has some evidenced based programs they think would fit in very well with our programs. I've talked with representatives from Garden Pathways and they have some really good ideas to bring in programs that are specific to domestic violence. Eventually, we would like to have a Day Reporting Center that is an alternative to incarceration. Looking down into the future we would like to start a Fire Camp.

The start up costs that we have identified to get our programs going is \$643,000. John Nilon asked what a full year's cost of the plan would be. Rosemary Wahl reported it would be 5.5 million.

Rosemary Wahl wanted to emphasize that the Sheriff's Department will be impacted from day one and they really have to get the start up fees and get the beds and things in motion.

John Nilon stated that is a problem they are facing with the Brown Act. We can't take action with this group, in fact, if you're going to have a public hearing you couldn't have a public hearing before the next Board meeting. You could however, bring that item to the next Board meeting and get moving on it without the blessing of this group. Then if this group says no to it, then you back down because there would be no funding for it. If you have urgent things to be done I would still suggest you get it on the August 30<sup>th</sup> agenda.

Rosemary Wahl reported that they feel there is one committee that needs to be developed that is not in existence yet and that is a committee with probation, law enforcement, courts, the DA's Office, and the Public Defender's Office so that we could all figure out what our plan is going to be when they go through the system and so it flows and everyone knows how they fit into the whole program.

Lily Alvarez reported based on her meeting with the Sheriff's Department there were two new components she added to her proposal. The first one has to do with whether or not they would like to incorporate gate keeping as part of the process at the downtown jail. Secondly, we are proposing two extra help substance abuse counselors to come in to the jail to provide services and because they would be working in my division they would have access then to a warm handoff into the community based substance abuse treatment system.

## **7. Mental Health and Substance Abuse Impacts on Kern resulting from AB 109 - RECEIVE AND FILE**

**8. Request for Approval of Proposed Strategic Plans:**

Gaps resulting from state realignment of public safety programs, Implementation of Sheriff's proposed strategic plan regarding transfer of state public safety programs to the County. Motion & Vote needed. –Removed from Agenda due to public notice not being given.

**9. Executive Committee Business**

Executive Committee Business was removed from the agenda due to not having a plan in place and there has not been a decision made.

**10.** Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Next meeting set for Wednesday, August 31, 2011

Public meeting scheduled for September 21, 2011 at Kern County Probation Department Stockdale Office at 8:30 a.m.