

Community Corrections Partnership (CCP)

Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER:

- a. Chief Probation Officer Wayne Barley called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) to order at 9:02 a.m. on September 15, 2021. Due to the social distancing recommendations set forth by the Governor due to the COVID-19 emergency, this meeting was conducted via a socially distanced in-person meeting with a phone-in conference call option.
- b. Introduction of membership. Quorum present.

List of CCP Executive Committee Members Present

Wayne Barley – Chief Probation Officer, Butte County Probation Department

Kory Honea – Sheriff, Butte County Sheriff's Office

Mike Ramsey – District Attorney, Butte County District Attorney's Office

Billy Aldridge on behalf of Matt Madden – Chief of Police, Chico Police Department

Ron Reed – Attorney, Butte County Public Defender

Christina Hernandez, on behalf of Judge Clare Keithley - Butte County Superior Court

Scott Kennelly – Director, Butte County Department of Behavioral Health

Casey Hatcher, on behalf of Andy Pickett – Chief Administrative Officer, Butte County Administration

Shelby Boston – Director, Department of Employment & Social Services

Mary von Rotz Sakuma – Superintendent, Butte County Office of Education

List of CCP Executive Committee Members Not Present

Erna Friedeberg – Director, Northern Valley Catholic Social Services

Additional CCP Members Present

Debbie Morris, Butte Community Based Coalition, on behalf of Mary von Rotz Sakuma – Superintendent, Butte County Office of Education

Jarrold Agurkis – Lieutenant, Butte County Sheriff's Office

Robert Hadley – Lieutenant, Butte County Sheriff's Office

Eric Lyon – Sergeant, Butte County Sheriff's Office

Dwayne Martin – Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Butte County Probation Department

Amy Asher – Program Manager, Butte County Probation Department

Trevor Hatley – Parole Agent III/Unit Supervisor, Division of Adult Parole

Ana Vicuna – Assistant, Director, Butte County Behavioral Health

- c. Review of previous committee minutes from May 19, 2021. Mike Ramsey motioned to approve and Kory Honea seconded the motion. All approved and the minutes were accepted.

II. SUB-GROUP COMMITTEE REPORTS/UPDATES

- a. Department updates/progress/concerns

1. BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

- i. Sheriff Kory Honea indicated the Jail project is still moving along slowly.

- ii. Lieutenant Robert Hadley provided a brief update on the populations of the ACS, DUI, and Day Reporting Center programs. He noted DESS is back on-site one day per week at the Day Reporting Center.

2. BUTTE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

- i. Program Manager Amy Asher reported on the department's PRCS and Mandatory Supervision statistics. Handouts were provided to the members via email or printed copy prior to the meeting.
- ii. Assistant Chief Probation Officer Dwayne Martin reported on the department's MCRP statistics. Handouts were provided to the members via email or printed copy prior to the meeting. He noted the number of clients released on MCRP increased over the summer.
- iii. Mike Ramsey inquired as to the high number of failures to appear and warrants issued, as previously discussed and attributed to the pandemic. Amy Asher acknowledged the department is looking into those statistics. At this time, 31% of warrants were issued over the past three months, and over 40% are over a year old. The department is continuing to examine those statistics; however, they are likely attributable to the pandemic.

3. BUTTE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

- i. District Attorney Mike Ramsey noted the Court is very slowly re-opening. There are 513 jury trials pending, including two dozen murder trials in the queue. Wayne Barley noted that is an increase of approximately 25% since the last CCP meeting. Mike Ramsey clarified that there were close to 600 jury trials pending at that time, but the number has since been reduced down to 513.

4. BUTTE COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- i. Director Scott Kennelly reported on his department's statistics for AB109 and Mental Health Diversion. The AB109 clinician is leaving and a replacement has been identified.

5. DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES

- i. Director Shelby Boston reported on her department's statistics regarding AB109. A handout was provided to the members via email or printed copy prior to the meeting. DRC and DESS facility-wide traffic flow has been slow, which is largely attributable to the increase in COVID cases.

6. BUTTE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

- i. Mary von Rotz Sakuma noted she did not have any updates.
- ii. Debbie Morris reported on the statistics for the Butte Community Based Coalition (BCBC). There is funding available for housing. It was noted participants have either secured housing or have housing barriers such as substance use, significant others, or pets. Chico BCBC is holding small resource fairs with Division of Adult Parole and other service providers for the first time since the pandemic began. In-person staffing remains a challenge due to COVID exposures and illnesses. Debbie Morris noted employment has been easier for participants to secure recently and employment rates have increased.

7. DIVISION OF ADULT PAROLE

- i. Parole Agent III/Unit Supervisor Trevor Hatley indicated caseload numbers are decreasing. The parolee-at-large rate is still high at 25%. Most parolees-at-large statewide are lower

risk offenders, and there are plans to develop methods to find and work with them to bring them back into compliance. The overall caseload numbers are decreasing due to the new discharge system for non-290 PC offenders.

8. **BUTTE COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDERS CONSORTIUM**

- i. Ron Reed noted there were no updates.

9. **BUTTE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

- i. Christina Hernandez noted there were no updates.

10. **CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT**

- i. Billy Aldridge noted there were no updates.

b. Sub-groups/committees requested to provide brief updates

1. None.

c. Announcements of any Legislative and/or funding updates/budget/training opportunities

1. Wayne Barley noted the legislature ended its session last week. There are numerous bills on the Governor's desk, or converted into two-year bills, that could affect CCP members, including bills regarding adult and juvenile justice and peace officers. Mike Ramsey noted the "zero bail" bill was pulled and converted to a two-year bill.
2. Deputy CAO Casey Hatcher noted the state budget bill provided a greater amount of realignment than what was accounted for when the CCP budget was adopted by the CCP and the Board of Supervisors. At some point during this fiscal year, there could be a discussion and consideration of pulling additional funds into departments from the CCP as programs begin to ramp up services amid the pandemic. Wayne Barley noted it could be prudent to reconvene the budget subcommittee, and that item will be added to the agenda for the next meeting. Mike Ramsey asked about the amount of additional funding. Casey Hatcher estimated there were hundreds of thousands of dollars available, but she will bring those numbers to the next meeting.
3. Shelby Boston asked if it is possible to propose a suggestion to the budget subcommittee regarding expanding targeted outreach efforts to the homeless population given the number of program participants who report homelessness. Her department does not have the funding available to implement this programming. Wayne Barley indicated that information could be routed to him as the chair to be placed on the agenda.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. None.

IV. ADJOURNMENT OF THE CCP MEETING – 9:22 a.m.

V. CALL TO ORDER OF THE TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH (TAY) STEERING COMMITTEE – 9:22 a.m.

- a. Wayne Barley noted AB 1318, the TAY extension bill, is on the Governor's desk and he is expected to sign it. This bill would extend the TAY program to January 1, 2024, with a report regarding the effectiveness of the program due to the legislature at the end of 2022. The bill was sponsored by the Chief Probation Officers of California.

- b. Amy Asher reported the department's TAY program statistics.
- c. Mike Ramsey asked how many youth are currently detained in the Juvenile Hall. Amy Asher estimated there are approximately ten youth currently detained. Wayne Barley noted detentions are increasing. The Camp program is being revamped and numbers have decreased. The TAY pod has been transitioned into the DJJ pod. There is one detention pod. There has been an increase in serious juvenile crimes, likely attributable to the return to in-person school.

VI. ADJOURNMENT OF THE TAY STEERING COMMITTEE – 9:24 a.m.

Minutes submitted by S. Miller of Butte County Probation