

CCA Board Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2017

Statutory members: Hancock County Common Pleas Court, Judge Reginald Routson; ADAMHS Executive Director, Precia Stuby; Hancock County Public Defender, Paul Maekask; Hancock County Common Pleas Court, Judge Jonathan Starn; Hancock County Treasurer, J. Steve Welton; Chief Probation Officer, Kimberly Switzer; Retired Judge Joseph H. Niemeyer; Hancock County Sheriff, Michael Heldman; Blanchard Valley Health System, William Kose; Citizen, Tony Grotrian; Hancock County Jail Administrator, Ryan Kidwell; Findlay Police Sergeant, Dan Harmon, Hancock County Corrections Officer, Nicole Smith; Findlay Municipal Court Judge, Mark Miller; Hancock County Job and Family Services, Director, Diana Hoover; Hancock County Commissioner, Brian Robertson; Hancock County Commissioner, Timothy K Bechtol; Open Arms Domestic Violence, Ashley Ritz;

Guests: Asst. Chief Probation Officer, Patrick Brzozka; Probation Officers, Steve Wiechart, Chad McClain; Fiscal Manager, Julie Smith; Century Health Program Director, Cindi Orley; ADAMHS Board, Carl Etta Capes; Century Health, Paul Lilley; Hancock County Board of DD, Nicole Bowen; Asst. Hancock County Public Defender, Aaron Ried; Office Manager Adult Probation Department, Melanie Fox; University of Findlay OT Intern, Samantha Grippe; Open Arms, Jonna Brendie; Anhedonia, Kinsy Pilmore-Lee

Call to Order and Approval of the Minutes:

Judge Routson called the meeting to order and requested the CCA Board to review the minutes from April 18, 2017. Judge Routson was appointed as CCA Board Chairperson. Upon motion and second, the meeting minutes were unanimously approved. Introduced new board member Commissioner, Timothy Bechtol,

Community Corrections Act Updates:

Judge Routson provided the following updates:

- ◆ Web Site: www.co.hancock.oh.us/commonpleas

CCA Grant Business/Year End Fund Requests

Director of Court Services/Chief Probation Officer Kim Switzer provided the following updates:

- ◆ Managing the Grants – Thanks to Julie Smith, Fiscal Manager, Chad McClain for assisting with completion of the graphs.
- ◆ Hancock County Adult Probation will be hosting a local ORAS training. It will be hosted in Findlay with CCA grant funds.
- ◆ Included in the information packet is the 4th quarter financial report for all three CCA grants. Unspent funds returned for FY 17:
 - Jail Diversion \$130.00.
 - Prison Diversion \$80.00
 - PIIG Grant \$0.00.
- ◆ Indictment's increased about 20 %. This is a big impact on the system.
- ◆ Reductions in CCA Grants projected over next two years of \$100, 00.00 in CCA Grants.
 - With the Judges and probation staff performance we anticipate 407 & 408 all be restored to 100%.

- Reductions in Drug Court by \$60,000.00.
- ◆ PIIG Grant updates: not looking as bleak as what we originally thought, it is a changing target.

Hancock County Common Pleas Drug Court:

Director of Court Services/Chief Probation Officer Kim Switzer provided the following updates:

- ◆ House Bill 49 T-Cap (Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison)
 - Targets Non-Violent/Non-Drug Trafficking/Non-Sex Offender F-5
 - The Sheriff & Justice Center would receive partial funding for housing inmates
 - Hancock County criminal justice partners have decided to apply for the funding and could receive up to \$322,000.00
 - One half of the funds could go to the sheriff for housing
 - One half of the funds could go towards supporting our Drug Court Coordinator – as we've had no funding to support that position.
 - If we accept this grant money, we are agreeing to divert F-5s from Prison. If we send F-5s that meet the T-Cap criteria between September 2017 – June 2018 ODRC will be reimbursed \$72.00 a day for every offender that we send.
 - If we would apply the criteria to this past year 6 to 7 individuals would meet this criterion.
- ◆ Judge Starn's Drug Court Certification will occur in September 2017.
- ◆ Drug Court has approximately 50% success rate. Lack of IOP services this year may have been a barrier to success.
- ◆ Proud of staff at Hancock County Adult Probation with the 20% increase in offenders to serve.
- ◆ Judge Routson discussed Drug Court Graduate Issac Ewing indicating it had been a struggle but he graduated with his family being present at the ceremony
- ◆ Retired Judge Niemeyer advised he has ideas concerning service projects for the Drug Court Alumni Group.

OLD BUSINESS/UPDATES

Re-Entry Committee

Executive Director of the ADAMHS Board Precia Stuby updates:

- ◆ Attached handouts and recommendations reviewed.
- ◆ Cindy Orley will be the designated re-entry coordinator. I would like to have this approved with any changes the CCA board may suggest, this will then allow plan to be submitted to ODRC.
- ◆ The committee would like to bring additional technology into the community, as this could connect the Jail and the other agencies together to know which agencies the offender receives services.
- ◆ Time table – the last plan expired in 2015.
- ◆ Vote on changes at the next CCA board meeting.

Sales Tax Proposal/Impact on Criminal Justice System:

Commissioner Robertson

- ◆ Thanks & appreciation to everyone in the room for doing a wonderful job.
- ◆ Resolution was passed on May 23, 2017
- ◆ Decision was made to move forward for two ballot initiatives
 - One quarter of a percent for Flood Mitigation
 - One quarter of a percent for the safety & security of the community for the Jail expansion in conjunction with the Probate Court Building
 - Already has imposed a quarter percent for current operations. Not an additional tax.

Findlay Municipal Court

Judge Miller provided the following:

- ◆ Inmates being housed in Wood, Putnam & Hancock Counties. Population approximately 130 inmates daily.
- ◆ Turned away about eleven offenders in the last week from incarceration.
- ◆ Struggling with housing & transportation
- ◆ Caseloads are increasing from traffic to criminal

Courthouse Security

Judge Routson provided the following:

- ◆ Updates on any additional security will depend on the Sales Tax issue
- ◆ Estimated costs for Justice Center renovations/expansion 2.8 – 3 million dollars.
- ◆ Review the documents that Precia has provided for us & be ready to approve at the next meeting.

Next Meeting Date/Time:

Judge Routson announced the next CCA Board meeting will be held **November 14, 2017 at 5:00 P.M.** in the Hancock County Courthouse Jury Assembly Room.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:17 PM