

August 13, 2002

Before the meeting was called to order a proxy was given to Secretary, Dorinda Harvey, from Member DeWayne Beggs, authorizing Roy Bugher to represent him in his absence.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Corrections Planning Council was called to order this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002, in the conference room of the County Office Building by Chairman Dave Stockwell. Roll was called by Dorinda Harvey, County Clerk/Secretary and those present were:

Dave Stockwell, Chairman  
Dorinda Harvey, Secretary  
Roy Bugher,  
Waldo Blanton  
Libba Smith

Vice-Chairman Melissa McLawhorn-Houston, Members William C. Hetherington, and Leroy Krohmer were absent at roll call. Members DeWayne Beggs and Tim Kuykendall were absent.

Others present were: Jennifer Beck, Corry Flowers, Debbie Cox, Tim Guinn, Ed Kearns, Richard Stevens, Julia Curry, Steve Nelson, and Tom Belusko.

Chairman Dave Stockwell asked if the Council was in compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

Dorinda Harvey answered in the affirmative.

After the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of July 11, 2002, and there being no additions or corrections, Waldo Blanton moved that the minutes be approved. Libba Smith seconded the motion.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Roy Bugher, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Chairman Stockwell stated that the Council would take up under new business first item #5, presentation on Status Report from Oklahoma Court Services, Inc., and Corry Flowers. Mr. Flowers stated that there had been somewhat of a downturn from a few people, as far as motions to revoke being filed. He is checking on the status of warrants today and he tried to serve three (3) warrants last week.

(Melissa McLawhorn-Houston entered the meeting at this time.)

More questions were asked about people in the program.

Jennifer Beck, with Oklahoma Court Services, passed out information on the number of motions to accelerate and motions to revoke that had been filed.

Discussion was held and question asked and answered.

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action to review previous months bills.

Julia Curry, with Oklahoma Court Services, gave each Council Member a copy of the Billing for the month of July.

(Leroy Krohmer entered the meeting at this time.)

Chairman Stockwell stated that it looked like the billing stayed around the \$11,000.00 mark (the total amount of bills was \$11,877.00) and asked if all of the participates are getting the services they need.

Julia Curry nodded and stated that this did not reflect the money that the service providers are billing the clients.

Ed Kearns stated that there was an adjustment that needed to be made, NAIC gave one figure \$1,430.00 and when Mr. Kearns received the invoice it was for \$2,150.00. That would be \$1,480.00 over budget for the month of July. Mr. Kearns doesn't think that is too much to overcome next month.

Chairman Stockwell wanted to know how much was collected from all service providers for offender pay in July and thinks that the Council needs that figure in order to know what the monthly budget is. He asked that this information be available to the Council Members next month along with a copy of the billing document that was given to them today.

Chairman Stockwell again reminded service providers that it is required to have their invoice in by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month following the month of treatment.

Melissa McLawhorn-Houston moved, seconded by Waldo Blanton, to approve the review of previous months bills.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Melissa McLawhorn-Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Roy Bugher, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action on Offender Pay, Sliding Scale, and a Consistent Fee Schedule.

Ed Kearns stated that they are getting the vouchers in place. They need information on the estimated completion dates of each offender per treatment from providers, how many sessions the offenders have left and after that he can issue the vouchers. Except for the first month or two they are going to keep it at the \$5.00 per week offender co-pay to give the providers time to do the ability to pay assessments. Once all of this is in place Mr. Kearns thinks that the vast majority of offenders will go over the \$5.00 per week and the end result will be considerable savings each month to the budget.

(William C. Hetherington entered that meeting at this time.)

More discussion took place on offender pay, sliding scale and consistent fee schedule as pertaining to LSI's and it was decided that next month another agenda item needed to be added pertaining to the dollar amount being charged for LSI's and the consistency of pay for LSI's.

Upon the request of Chairman Stockwell, Dorinda Harvey moved, seconded by Melissa McLawhorn-Houston to table until next month discussion, consideration, and/or action on Offender Pay, Sliding Scale, and a Consistent Fee Schedule since the Council did not have anything to look at.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Melissa McLawhorn-Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Roy Bugher, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action on Assessor's who do LSI Assessments. Chairman Stockwell thinks this was on here to once again visit who is approved to do LSI's. In the last meeting Mr. Belusko advised the Council that he has one other person doing training.

Mr. Belusko stated that this had not happened yet due to a misunderstanding and it was discussed.

Chairman Stockwell stated there was nothing the Council could do, so this item needs to be tabled.

People who are licensed and approved to do LSI's are: Tom Belusko, Henry Gains, Tamee Daniels, and once the contract is approved someone from New Directions, and Ed Kearns does a few.

Chairman Stockwell asked if anyone from NAIC was trained to do LSI's and Steve Nelson stated someone was trained but they did not have time. Sherry Bynum is the person trained but she has a new job. Chairman Stockwell will ask Ms. Bynum if she wants to be on the approved list in case she does have any extra time.

Mr. Kearns will have to check on her re-certification since it had been a long time since she has done a LSI.

Melissa McLawhorn-Houston moved, seconded by Leroy Krohmer, to table discussion, consideration, and/or action on Assessor's who do LSI Assessments.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Melissa McLawhorn-Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Roy Bugher, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes, Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell called for presentation on LSI Reports by Assessors and stated that this was documents that was received at the last meeting with the spiking of LSI's and that Mr. Kearns had mailed to the Council Members an explanation of that and Mr. Kearns does not feel that there is any sort of manipulation of the test by the Assessor's.

Mr. Kearns explained the documents to the Council Members and told them that if the Council wants him to look further and see why there are spikings on the nineteen's (19's) he will be glad to do so but he does not think it is the fault of the Assessors.

Mr. Kearns stated that one thing that could be looked at on savings money on the LSI's (as the budget was being discussed early in the meeting) which had been discussed in the past but nothing ever done is a pre-screening made up of eight (8) LSI questions. The pre-screening will tell with a high degree of accuracy what rating the offender would likely fall in, on the actual LSI. (It is like a pre-test.) It is only \$10.00 instead of \$75.00. Mr. Kearns will be glad to get the Council more information on pre-screening. More discussion took place on pre-screening whether it would or would not be legal and the time factor that would be involved.

Chairman Stockwell asked that this be put on the agenda for the Council's next meeting and the Council needs to get a copy of the eight (8) question test in order to review it.

A discussion took place about an offender that was hearing impaired and how the LSI could be done and how the person would be provided treatment.

A discussion took place as to offenders who score low on LSI's (below 19) and does not get into the program.

Mr. Kearns passed out information and spoke to the Council telling how many hours of community sentencing that had been completed, a total of 8,556.15, from July 2001 thru July 2002. Also on the information passed out was the agencies benefiting from community service work. He stated that some offenders have chosen to do their community service at houses of worship in Cleveland County and that two offenders have acquired jobs because of community service.

Judge William C. Hetherington and the Council discussed the Community Sentencing Probation Supervision Program Planning Council Report for July 2002. Several questions were asked and answered pertaining to offenders.

Chairman Stockwell stated that more information needed to be put on the report.

(During the discussion Chairman Stockwell exited the meeting.)

Ed Kearns gave information about a training seminar that the Department of Mental Health will be conducting at the end of this month and stated that the service providers also have the information and can attend.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Leroy Krohmer moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dorinda Harvey seconded the motion.

The vote was: Melissa McLawhorn-Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Roy Bugher, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Leroy Krohmer, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.