

July 8, 2003

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Corrections Planning Council was called to order this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2003, in the conference room of the County Office Building by Chairman Dave Stockwell. Roll was called by Kerrie Hudson, Deputy County Clerk/Secretary and those present were:

Dave Stockwell, Chairman  
Kerrie Hudson, Secretary  
F. DeWayne Beggs, Member  
Waldo Blanton, Member  
William C. Hetherington, Member  
Libba Smith, Member

Vice-Chairman Melissa Houston and Member Leroy Krohmer were absent. Secretary Dorinda Harvey and Member Tim Kuykendall were absent at roll call.

Others present were: Carmen Jackson, Debbie Cox, Sonny Scott, Steve Nelson, Julia Curry, Corry Flowers, Rick Parish, Cindy Allen, and Robin King.

Chairman Stockwell asked if the Council was in compliance with the Open Meeting Act. Kerrie Hudson answered in the affirmative.

After the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of June 10, 2003, and there being no additions or corrections F. DeWayne Beggs moved that the minutes be approved. Waldo Blanton seconded the motion.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; F. DeWayne Beggs, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell stated that the first Item to be discussed would be #7 presentation on Status Report from Oklahoma Court Services, Inc., and Corry Flowers.

At this time Julia Curry also went over the Bench Warrant Executions and Arrest of Absconders, which is Item #5. She went over one particular absconder and he was discussed in length.

(Dorinda Harvey entered the meeting at this time.)

Judge Hetherington went over some of the glitches that had taken place with this person and more discussion took place.

Ms. Curry stated that there were six (6) successful completions this month and there was a large incentive docket that went very well. There were several violations also, but it is balancing out a bit better with more successful completions.

Chairman Stockwell stated that he had gone to two incentive dockets and he encourage the Council Members who had not attended one to do so as they are real positive.

Corry Flowers and Julia Curry both stated how positive the incentive dockets were.

Libba Smith asked if it would be proper to get publicity when there is an incentive hearing and to give the Norman Transcript a list of names of the people or just the fact that this is going on.

Chairman Stockwell stated that he is not sure that he would want their names published in the paper, but if the Council wants he can get with the Transcript and get a new updated article on what the Council is doing, the money that the Council has saved the State and the positive things that have been done for the community with these individuals.

Judge Hetherington agreed with Chairman Stockwell.

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

Carmen Jackson passed out a document that showed the summary to date through May. It showed the total billed of \$118,837.80. She would encourage all of the providers to get invoices in as soon as possible in order that FY 2003 can be closed out.

Chairman Stockwell stated that there is \$14,162.20 to pay June's bills and he thinks that should be an ample amount.

Ms. Jackson stated that she thinks the Council will be well within the budget as was discussed in the previous meeting. If there is a surplus that money goes into the state pool and starting July 1, 2003, the Council starts off with the new allocation of \$133,000.00.

Judge Hetherington stated that the Council needs to spend a little more even though everybody was complaining about it, and that is not always good, because the Council has to play the bureaucratic game because it is either spend it or loose it.

Ms. Jackson stated that she does not know what the invoices for June will be and until she get them she does not know if there will be a surplus. There is a 30 to 60 day window to get invoices in and she is encouraging the providers to audit their books. Ms. Jackson explained how the money that is surplus goes back into the pot to pay invoices for Councils who do go over their budget whether it is Cleveland County or another Council. More discussion took place.

Waldo Blanton moved to approve the previous months (June) bills. F. DeWayne Beggs seconded the motion.

Carmen Jackson stated that what the Council has is not the June bills but the May bills.

Waldo Blanton withdrew his motion and F. DeWayne Beggs his second.

Chairman Stockwell moved, seconded by Waldo Blanton to table discussion, consideration, and/or action to review previous months (June) bills.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; F. DeWayne Beggs, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action to comply with the new HIPPA Regulations. Chairman Stockwell asked if DOC has forms that the Council can use and if they have dealt with this issue yet.

Ms. Jackson will bring the policy and procedure to the next meeting and Chairman Stockwell asked that it be brought to his office prior to that in order that he can look at it before the next meeting.

Chairman Stockwell moved, seconded by Dorinda Harvey, to table discussion, consideration, and/or action to comply with the new HIPPA Regulations

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; F. DeWayne Beggs, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

(Tim Kuykendall entered the meeting at this time.)

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action on Budget.

The budget will be \$133,000.00 and some change and Ms. Jackson gave the Members of the Council a handout showing the budget for FY 2003. It showed the amount of money budgeted, the amount of the percent budgeted to each category, the actual cost and the actual cost percentage. On the backside of the document Ms. Jackson had what was budgeted for FY2004 and used the actual percentages to show where she put the money. Ms. Jackson stated that all that is needed now is a signature page. More discussion took place and an additional meeting was discussed.

Chairman Stockwell moved, seconded by Waldo Blanton, to table discussion, consideration, and/or action on the Budget.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; F. DeWayne Beggs, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Tim Kuykendall, yes; Libba Smith yes.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action on Risk Factor of Offenders.

Cindy Allen with the District Attorney's Office, stated that Ms. Jackson had told the Council before that the Council did not get more money because it is not taking second and third time felons (the high risk offenders in the program). Ms. Allen as a general rule does not want people who have weapon charges, and she does not want people with 5 felonies, because the resources are not there to supervise them, give them the treatment they need, etc. The higher risk they are it is going to cost more money. Ms. Allen thinks this needs to be table until the Council can decide what groups are going to be targeted and more information is obtained. More discussion took place and Ms. Jackson stated that depending on the number of priors has to do with the allocation that the Council is given.

Chairman Stockwell stated that he wanted to go on record now saying that he does not want to take people into the program for the sheer end result of obtaining a high budget for next year. He wants to take people that the District Attorney is satisfied and confident that would be safe in the community and that the Council can possibly help, assist, and give treatment too.

Tim Kuykendall stated that he is not going to be pushed into anything. He is not going to be blackmailed into anything by people waving dollars in front of the Council. The number one concern needs to be safety of the public. There are some people that need to be locked up. Anyone who is familiar with the criminal justice system now knows that it is quite difficult to get to the penitentiary. First time offenders are not sent (to prison) nor are non-violent offenders like DOC and the State Senate claims is done. People need to be in this program that will benefit from it and not a risk to the public. He does not mind broadening that category a little bit as long as it does not affect public safety. He is for one not going to have any part of any program that puts people out on the street that don't need to be there and are a risk to the safety of the public just so more dollars can be obtained. More discussion took place.

Chairman Stockwell moved, seconded by Dorinda Harvey, to table discussion, consideration, and/or action on Risk Factor of Offenders.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; F. DeWayne Beggs, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Tim Kuykendall, yes; Libba Smith, yes.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell stated that Items #5 and #7 have already been discussed.

Chairman Stockwell called for review status of requested audit and asked Ms. Jackson if anyone from her office knew what the status was?

Ms. Jackson has not talked to Mr. Yeager to see where he stood. Her understanding was that the Council was going to come up with some criteria's to kind of narrow it down exactly to what the issues were that were going to be addressed. She does not know if Mr. Yeager has contacted any of the Council Members to narrow it down so he could approach the people that is going to do the audit.

Chairman Stockwell stated that his recollection on the last vote, with the Sheriff voting no, the rest of the Council Members said to get an audit and get it done. The Council has been trying to get this done for the last 3 to 4 months.

Ms. Jackson stated that she would get with Mr. Yeager and see if he has had any communication and will get back with Chairman Stockwell. If nothing has been done she will take the responsibility herself and get the ball rolling.

Chairman Stockwell asked if he was correct that the Council said to do an audit, they are the auditors, they know what to look for, you do it and the Council is not going to try to tell them what to do.

Tim Kuykendall asked if it was going to be done through the State Auditors Office and was told no.

Chairman Stockwell stated that he imaged that the State Auditors Office does audit the DOC and in doing so does looks at DOC's internal audits of the smaller entities of which this Council is one. This is for FY2002 and FY2003.

Ms. Jackson confirmed this.

Chairman Stockwell stated that the Council wants this done before last three fiscal years are being done for the first time.

Cindy Allen stated that Ms. Jackson and herself would be having a meeting in the District Attorney's Office on August 17 and anyone is welcome to attend.

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

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; F. DeWayne Beggs, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Tim Kuykendall, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.