

April 12, 2005

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Community Corrections Planning Council was called to order this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005, in the conference room of the Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 605 E. Robinson, Norman, Oklahoma, by Chairman Dave Stockwell. Roll was called by Dorinda Harvey, County Clerk/Secretary and those present were:

Dave Stockwell, Chairman  
Melissa Houston, Vice-Chairman  
Dorinda Harvey, Secretary  
Waldo Blanton, Member  
William C. Hetherington, Member  
Libba Smith, Member

Members F. DeWayne Beggs, Leroy Krohmer and Tim Kuykendall were absent.

Others present were: Wayne Barnes, Jennifer Creecy, Terry Paxson, Cheryl Farnsworth, Rhonda Peterson, Tracy Ramirez, David Williams, Steve Nelson, Carmen Jackson, Debbie Cox, Sonny Scott, and Dan Merritt.

Chairman 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 March 8, 2005, and there being no additions or corrections Melissa Houston moved that the minutes be approved. Libba Smith seconded the motion.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Melissa Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action to approve the FY2006 Plan and Budget. Chairman Stockwell stated the amended draft of the plan and the budget changed to include an additional ten (10) offenders for mental health.

Carmen Jackson stated she included all ten (10) people for the mental health unit in addition to the money that was agreed upon adding from the survey (by Dr. Margaret Olson). Also included is the amount of money that the Council is saying it is going to use from the administrative fees to pay Dr. Irwin for the evaluations and the medication meetings that is going to be held with the clients. This brought the total for the budget up to \$248,746.00. The administrative fees are up to \$22,240.00 and if this is going to be incorporated it will be really important that we collect all of the administrative fees and cost. In the mental health section Ms. Jackson broke out what part was the 210 funds, what part was going to be the primary, and what part was going to be the mental health unit. Ms. Jackson went over the mental health sections of the budget explaining the breakdown and stated there are no other changes than that from the last presentation. Ms. Jackson didn't make any changes to the

narrative or summary she was waiting for any corrections or changes that the Council would like to have.

Judge Hetherington asked about part of the narrative on the next to the last page where it states The following budget needs are proposed based on a Mental Health Survey conducted by Dr. Margaret Olson on the current Community Sentencing Caseload. The Judge thinks this might need a little more detail about the depth of what Dr. Olson did analyze, as the Council has to justify the numbers and it has to have credibility.

Carmen Jackson stated that she was going to use the survey as an attachment.

Dorinda Harvey moved, seconded by William C. Hetherington, to approve the plan and budget with the recommended changes the Council has directed Ms. Jackson to include in the documents.

Libba Smith and Ms. Jackson discussed the heading of the narrative be re-worded and Ms. Smith asked about putting a sentence in that the Council is requesting an additional \$71,000.00 to introduce a new mental health program.

Melissa Houston went over the difficulties the Council is having with mental health and thinks this needs to be a third item under that section of the narrative, ( What difficulties are being encountered? ).

Chairman Stockwell called for the vote.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Melissa Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; Waldo Blanton, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Waldo Blanton exited the meeting at this time.

Chairman Stockwell called for discussion, consideration, and/or action to approve the Review of the bills for the month of February, 2005. The Council was concerned about the amount of money that remained in the budget and that the numbers of clients were down that were being put into Community Corrections. After a lengthy discussion Chairman Stockwell and members of the Council thought it would be a good idea to have a CLE (Continuing Legal Education) in the next few weeks to educate attorneys so they can understand the program and maybe something might need to be changed to tweak the program a little bit. Melissa Houston moved, seconded by Dave Stockwell to approve the Review of the bills for the month of February, 2005.

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Melissa Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.

Chairman Stockwell called for Review Status on Bench Warrant Executions and Arrest of Absconders.

Wayne Barnes spoke of one client that had been on the list of absconders and the client had been arrested. The client will be revoked for six months put in jail and then he needs to get into treatment.

Long term and short term treatment was discussed that new facilities that are becoming available.

Chairman Stockwell called for presentation on Status Report from Oklahoma Court Services, Inc., and Wayne Barnes. Terry Paxson with Oklahoma Court Services, stated that they have seventy-eight (78) that are currently in Community Sentencing and their numbers are going down a little. She is getting new people but she is also losing about the same amount of people. Incentives were down a little. Oklahoma Court Services took a total of \$540.00 DOC payments. There were a few more violations for the month and that is due to the new people and the fact that getting in is just a little bit tough for them. Their absconders are declining. Chairman Stockwell wanted to know at what point do the absconders come off of the Council list or do they stay on forever.

Carmen Jackson stated that they don't come off the list, the absconders do come off of the compliance sheet, supervision is only accountable for them during the fiscal year that they are lost, but officially the absconders have open community sentencing cases, because there has to be some kind of legal action such as motion to revoke to close out community sentencing. More discussion took place on absconders.

Oklahoma Court Services is at seventy-five percent compliance and will get paid at one hundred percent.

One Client was discussed in length.

The CLE (Continuing Legal Education) class was discussed along with the Community Sentencing and Education Conference that is going to be held May 17-19 and that the CLE class needed to be held after the that date as more information might be available.

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

The vote was: Dave Stockwell, yes; Melissa Houston, yes; Dorinda Harvey, yes; William C. Hetherington, yes; Libba Smith, yes.

Motion carried.