

<b>Committee Members and Visitors Present:</b>	
Ron Carl	County Attorney
Nancy Jackson	Commissioner, Arapahoe County
Amanda Johnson	Sr. Administrative Assistant, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office
Todd Spanier	Criminal Justice Planning Coordinator
Kally Enright	Criminal Justice Planning Coordinator
Jared Rowilson	Captain, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office
Matt Maillaro	Assistant District Attorney, 18 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District
Don Klemme	Director, Community Resources
Michelle Halstead	Director of Communications & Administrative Services
Kim Verdoorn	Pre-Trial Services Supervisor, Judicial Services
Brad Kamby	Division Manager, Judicial Services
Tyler Brown	Sheriff, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office
James Karbach	Public Defender's Office
Amy Angell	Medical Center of Aurora
Jeff Baker	Commissioner, Arapahoe County
Cheryl Ternes	Director, Human Services
Doug Gray	Director, Probation
Cynthia Grant	All Health Network
Andy Baum	Judge, 18 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District

No public comment

Commissioner Jackson opens the meeting:

This committee is convened to address how we improve the system across all our departments and agencies. Find efficiencies and continue working together toward mutual goals.

In discussing governance: what's the proper structure for this committee? (We will come back to this.)

Post Summit Update: Priority Projects

(These ideas went to the BoCC and they agreed with the ACJCC pursuing these topics)

Reminder that the three issues the committee decided to prioritize are:

A. Racial Equity Group/Think Tank:

Todd and Kally have reached out to the director of the Aurora NAACP to obtain some feedback and contacts for this group. This topic could be put into a subcommittee that reports up to the ACJCC. Subcommittees can include people who are not currently ACJCC members.

- There is some discussion to clarify that a "think tank" would be considered the same as a subcommittee in this circumstance (which the bylaws allow); a group of people who bring suggestions to the ACJCC. Any advisement/decisions made therefrom would be decided amongst appropriate parties (i.e. courts). Approvals would not necessarily be needed from County Commissioners on all decisions.

- The state (Kim?) has a report on racial issues within Arapahoe County. Have Kim come and present on this.

- Matt Maillaro: resources to include CCJRC (Justin Cooper). Commissioner Jackson adds that she has spoken with Justin about his involvement. The ACJCC should be reaching out and picking people to best serve these groups.

- Sheriff Brown: how do we get everyone involved consistently so we stay on the same path?
- James Karbach: Shares the Sheriff's thoughts on using time effectively in getting people together and having an action plan. Worried about budgetary implications. Have tangible goals and build an action plan.
- Commissioner Jackson: should these folks on the committee study the data and then come up with several recommendations? Matt Maillaro suggests targeting these folks on identifying the most impactful changes and bring that back to ACJCC, i.e. "How can we achieve XX". This will also keep us from reinventing the wheel.
- Cynthia Grant: consider the racial representation in the ACJCC. Todd Spanier adds that the entity (geographically) which would give the most racial diversity is not represented in this group – city of Aurora or Aurora PD. Commissioner Jackson adds that we have tried, but will begin those discussions again.
- Next step: survey drafted by Todd and Kally to identify what we, as ACJCC members, believe should be the focus of the racial equity group; also gather names for group participants.

B. Behavioral Health Alternative to Jail:

(Keep as the Behavioral Health subcommittee currently?)

About 6 months ago, a group began working on this project as a response to the loss on 1A. County Facilities personnel have been added to this group.

- Discussion in the past about following the Larimer County model for housing program.
- Cynthia Grant: unsure about what that committee is doing, can we have an update? Commissioner Jackson advises there has not been a meeting in a while. Cheryl Ternes adds that there is a document listing the priorities for the BH subcommittee. Cheryl asks that when the BH subcommittee reconvenes, there be some discussion and review of that document.
- Next step: look at what is left on the BH subcommittee document. No structural changes at this time.

C. Improving Transportation Logistics (amongst those who are contacted by LE/Fire where jail or the ER is not appropriate):

- Independent group was created called "SAFER"
- Matt Maillaro: transportation from the jail upon release or transportation to and from courthouse? Heard horror stories about jail release in the middle of the night. Overall there is a negative effect on the system that can be traced back to ineffective/no transportation.
- Brad Kamby: Navigator Program – having funding with the Correctional Treatment Fund, have been able to utilize Uber and Lyft to get transportation to/from court and jail to sober living homes, from home to treatment, etc. Has had a huge positive impact.
- Todd Spanier: many people were attending court appearances virtually due to COVID. Is there a way to continue that if transportation is a problem? Judge Baum advises that the courts are trying to move back to in-person hearings. Focus has been on resuming jury trials. No long term decisions have been made about virtual hearings. Commissioner Jackson - No-shows have been down all around due to the availability of virtual attendance. Cheryl Ternes asks if the court has data of the attendance rate for virtual meetings, what are success rates? Kally advises that she and Todd receive some data on FTA's; the court reminder system has changed since COVID so it may not be clear in the data whether virtual attendance was the factor or not. Kally can send the info out once the latest data is received.
- Next step: identify the problems and come up with recommendations for solutions

Roundtable updates:

Sheriff Brown: Average daily population in jail is down from the beginning of the year; about 75% of population is pretrial. Working with DA's Office to address the abundance of warrants in the county; eliminate some due to probability of prosecution and age of certain cases. Continuing to monitor COVID and potential surge come the fall. No communal spread inside the ACDF. Began accepting PC Felony arrests in mid-July, monitored to see how it impacted daily population (not a huge influx).

Andy Baum: Were able to have one jury trial in July, 6 or 7 person jury, criminal trial in county court. Judge and jurors seemed to have positive feedback about the process. Safety in all aspects is the goal. No timeframe on felony trials, as they require more jurors.

Doug Gray: Significantly impacted by budget crunch, lost 17 staff members, cuts all around as a result. Working and moving forward as best as we can. Because of the lack of new cases coming in, about 9 months before the caseloads go up; depending on COVID. The state would like to see workload values of probation officers at 122, due to cuts currently they are at 160 to 180. Remote reporting – probation is trying to make remote reporting a permanent part of the process moving forward; should help with transportation issues. All locations are open 8 to 5 daily.

Brad Kamby: Managing pre-trial program with remote reporting. A lot of virtual supervision. Minimizing traffic coming into the office. Community Service department is increasing intakes. Community Correction residential populations are down significantly due to DOC not moving people into comm corr, also with courts slowing down and sentencing being put off.

James Karbach: Had a meeting with the Sheriff recently about trying to minimize professional trips into the jail – thank you to Sheriff Brown, Chief Line, and the courts supervisors – this was very productive in hopefully minimizing the need for full-scale visits. A lot of work is being done, another meeting is upcoming. This helps protect everyone's health and there are a lot of resource and facility challenges that the jail is dealing with at the moment. The other big update is that the PD's Office has suffered furloughs as a result of the budget.

Matt Maillaro: Thank you to the court staff for their fantastic work to make sure everyone's safety and health is taken into consideration. Jury trials are on the horizon. If there is anything that the DA can do for probation, please reach out.

Cynthia Grant: All Health was awarded \$600,000 grant to establish an ACT Team that is specifically designated for the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District. Working on final contracting process for that. Also received a contract to beef up staff associated with outpatient competency restoration education. Quite a few initiatives happening that will be very positive for individuals in our community.

Don Klemme: Homelessness voucher program that is available if you have clients that are homeless. Rent/mortgage/utility assistance program information is available on the county website; funds are available. SAFER program – see copy of that information to save some time.

**Next meeting: 09/04/2020**