



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Department of Criminal Justice Services

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Criminal Justice Services Board

September 14, 2017

Members Present

Ms. Diane Abato
Ms. Mary Biggs
Mr. Andy Block
Chief Craig Branch
Ms. Angie Carrera
Senator Charles Carrico, Sr.
Chief Tonya Chapman,
Chairman
Judge Sarah Deneke
Mayor Carolyn Dull
Ms. Francine Horne
Ms. Rebecca Norris, proxy
for Mr. David Johnson
Mr. Edward M. Macon
Judge Mary Malveaux
Delegate Jackson Miller
The Hon. Bryan Porter
Sheriff Anthony Roper
Colonel Bobby Russell
LTC Tracy Russillo, proxy for
Colonel Steve Flaherty
Ms. Cookie Scott
Mr. Robert Soles
Chief James Williams

Members Absent

Ms. Adrienne Bennett
Mr. John Boneta
Chief James Cervera
Sheriff Vanessa Crawford
Delegate Chris Peace
Senator Mark Peake
Mr. Richard Vorhis
Chief Kelvin Wright
Ms. Stephanie Wright

DCJS Staff Present

Kenny Adcock
Sharen Anderson
Stephanie Arnold
Rick Arrington
Leon Baker
Baron Blakley
Kassandra Bullock
Bianca Casper
James Christian
John Colligan
Janice Cosel
Shannon Dion
Fran Ecker
Tom Fitzpatrick
Julia Fuller-Wilson
Teresa Gooch
Sharon Gray

DCJS Staff Present (Cont'd)

Paula Harpster
Pat Harris
Dave Hewes
Ed Holmes
Laureen Hyman
Monica Jackson
Lois Kinch
Jennifer Kline
John Mahoney
Joe Marshall
Laurel Marks
Tracy Matthews
Dr. Jim McDonough
Donna Michaelis
Melissa O'Neill
Krista Riggleson
Albert Stokes
Brandi Thorpe
Kristina Vadas
Janice Waddy
Andy Warriner
Barbara Peterson-Wilson
Mary Wilson

Others Present

Mr. Tommy Bower, Skyline
Regional CJA
Mr. Patrick Bridge, DJJ
Mr. George Goodwin, from
Senator Peake's Office

I. Call to Order

Chairman Tonya Chapman called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m., welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their commitment to the Criminal Justice Services Board (CJSB).

Chairman Chapman reminded guests to please sign the attendance sheet for the purpose of the minutes and asked the Board members to state their name when making a motion or

seconding, to speak clearly for the purpose of the minutes and to speak into the microphone closest to them. She further reminded staff/persons speaking from the floor to step up to the podium and speak into the microphone for the purpose of the minutes.

Chairman Chapman then asked Ms. Lauren Hyman to take the roll. Ms. Hyman stated there was a quorum with 21 members present, including two General Assembly members.

II. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Chairman Chapman then called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2017, meeting. Superintendent Bobby Russell made the motion to accept the minutes and Chief James Williams seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes unanimously passed.

III. Director's Report

Director Fran Ecker introduced new members who have joined the Board since the June meeting, including Chief Tonya Chapman of Portsmouth who takes over as Chair, succeeding Mike Doucette. These members are listed below:

- Chief Jim Cervera of Virginia Beach
- Chief Craig Branch, from Germanna Community College
- Mayor Carolyn Dull of Staunton
- Ms. Francine Horne, representing crime victim interests
- Supervisor Mary Biggs of Montgomery County
- Commonwealth's Attorney Brian Porter
- New citizen member Ms. Angie Carrera
- Chief Jim Williams, who was reappointed for a second term

Director Fran Ecker provided an update and shared a few highlights of recent and upcoming activities:

- The new members to the Board were invited to attend a new member orientation on September 13th and were given an overview of the responsibilities and broad scope of the work of DCJS and the Board.
- DCJS activated a crisis response team to assist the Charlottesville Victim/Witness Assistance Program in the wake of the violence and deaths on August 12th. Four local victim/witness directors who are trained crisis responders were identified and assisted DCJS in providing support and assistance to the Charlottesville program. This included contacting victims to provide crisis intervention, completing victim compensation forms, and providing information and referrals.
- Our Crisis Response Coordinator assisted the local program in conducting a group crisis intervention with victims who were at the crash site in Charlottesville and their families.
- Our annual School Safety Training Forum was held in August and drew more than 800 participants, representing law enforcement and school security, as well as school administrators, counselors and others concerned with school safety. Forum speakers and

workshops covered a wide range of topics, including active shooter training for civilians, bullying prevention, cultural diversity, youth suicide prevention, and many others.

- DCJS' Research Center received the Douglas Yearwood National Publication Award for its first annual report of the Health and Criminal Justice Data Committee. The Award recognizes outstanding efforts to apply empirical analysis to criminal justice policy making in the states.
- The U.S. Justice Department's Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking (SMART) has determined that Virginia has "substantially implemented" the provisions of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA). The determination was based on their latest review of Virginia's implementation efforts.
- DCJS has a new Funding Profiles feature on our website that allows people to find out what DCJS funds are going to specific localities. There's a link to it in the "Online Services" list displayed on the agency's main page. It has a drop-down list of all the localities that are currently receiving DCJS grants or other funding.
- A number of new staff members recently hired at DCJS were introduced to the Board members:
 - Monica Darden is our new Financial Services Manager.
 - Andy Warriner is the new Adult Correctional Services Section Manager.
 - Tracy Matthews and Pat Harris are new Grant Program Coordinators in the Law Enforcement Division.

IV. Committee Reports

Committee on Training (COT)

Superintendent Russell, the newly appointed Chair of the COT made a motion for the board to approve submitted 6VAC20-60 – Rules Relating to Compulsory Minimum Training Standards for Dispatchers to the final stage of the regulatory process. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cookie Scott. The motion unanimously passed.

Superintendent Russell made a motion for the board to approve submitted 6VAC20-130 – Regulations Governing the Privacy and Security of Criminal History Record Information Checks for Firearm Purchases, to the final stage of the regulatory process. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mary Biggs. *Recusals: Judge Malveaux, and LTC Tracy Russillo for State Police. The motion passed.*

Superintendent Russell made a motion for the board to approve the Re-Certification of the City of Virginia Beach as a Certified Crime Prevention Community, as recommended by the COT. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andy Block. The motion unanimously passed.

Superintendent Russell made a motion for the board to approve the Re-Certification of the Town of Smithfield as a Certified Crime Prevention Community, as recommended by the COT. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs. The motion unanimously passed.

Addiction Recovery Grants

Ms. Scott made a motion for the board to approve four Addiction Recovery grants totaling \$192,000 in state general funds and local match as recommended by the Grants Committee. The motion was seconded by Mayor Carolyn Dull. The motion unanimously passed.

Byrne/Justice Assistance Grants

Ms. Scott made a motion for the board to approve 55 new and continuation Byrne/JAG grants totaling \$1,376,425 in federal funds and local match as recommended by the Grants Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Block. The motion unanimously passed. *Recusals: Mr. Block for DJJ, Chief Craig Branch for Rappahannock Regional Criminal Justice Academy, Chief Chapman for Portsmouth, Judge Deneke for Rappahannock Regional Criminal Justice Academy, Mayor Dull for Central Shenandoah Regional Criminal Justice Academy, Sheriff Roper for Skyline Regional Criminal Justice Academy, Ms. Scott for DOC, Chief Williams for Central Shenandoah Regional Criminal Justice Training Academy.*

Comprehensive Community Corrections Grant

Staff explained that in preparing for the June CJSB meeting an addition error was made in two localities, Prince Edward and Hanover. The localities were shorted a total of \$10,778. The correct amount was awarded. Ms. Scott made a motion to approve the additional amount and correct the error in the June information. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Russell. The motion unanimously passed.

Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA)

Ms. Scott made a motion for the board to approve three CASA grants totaling \$214,084 in federal funds and local match as recommended by the Grants Committee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Angie Carrera. The motion unanimously passed.

Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Title II

Ms. Scott made a motion for the board to approve the Title II grant totaling \$77,051 as recommended by the Grants Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Block. The motion unanimously passed.

Victim/Witness Grant Program

Ms. Scott made a motion for the board to approve 59 Victim/Witness grants totaling \$12,476,364 in federal and local match as recommended by the Grants Committee. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Russell. The motion unanimously passed. *Recusals: Chief Branch for Empowerhouse, Chief Chapman for Help and Emergency Response Inc. which is located in Portsmouth, Judge Deneke for Empowerhouse and Safe Harbor, Mayor Dull for Blue Ridge Legal Services, Mr. Porter for the Center for Alexandria's Children, Sheriff Roper for Virginia Center for Policing Innovation, Ms. Scott for DOC, Chief Williams for Blue Ridge Legal Services, The motion passed.*

VSTOP: Violence Against Women Program Grants

Ms. Scott made a motion for the board to approve ten VSTOP grants totaling \$702,237 in federal funds and local match as recommended by the Grants Committee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs. *Recusals: Chairman Chapman for Portsmouth.* The motion unanimously passed.

V. Update to CJSB Bylaws

Shannon Dion, Director of Policy and Legislative Affairs at DCJS gave an overview of proposed changes to the CJSB Bylaws which will be voted on at the December 7th meeting.

VI. Old Business

No old business was brought before the Board for discussion at this meeting.

VII. New Business

CJSB Committee Assignments were announced.

VIII. Public Comment

No new public comment was brought before the Board for discussion at this meeting.

VIII. Next Meeting

Chairman Chapman thanked Board members and guests for attending the meeting and stated that the next meeting was scheduled for December 7, 2017.

IX. Adjournment

Superintendent Russell made the motion to adjourn the meeting, was seconded and was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Approved:

Chief Tonya Chapman, Chairman