



**Citizens Advisory Committee
Meeting May 17, 2024 – 12:00pm
Law & Justice Center
Atrium**

Mission: The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, Citizen's Advisory Committee, and the Department of Criminal Justice Services exist to improve the safety of the citizens of Lewis and Clark County and ensure the equitable and efficient treatment of defendants, offenders, and victims.

1. Call to Order & Reading of the Mission

Tom Cordingley, Chair, called the meeting to order.
The Mission Statement was read by Moffie Funk.

2. Introductions

Members present: Tom Cordingley, Karen English, Moffie Funk, Jen Gursky, Teresa Charlton, Joanne Romasko, Mike Mahoney

Members absent: John Lytle, Clair Swain, Mark Nay

Staff in attendance: Kellie McBride, Jillian Danesi, and Brandi Spangler

Others in attendance: Judge Abbott, Nicho Hash

3. Action Items – Karen English

Review of April 19, 2024 meeting minutes:

Jen Gursky made a motion to accept and approve the minutes. Mike Mahoney seconded the motion. The motion Passed unanimously.

4. CJS Update – Kellie McBride

Bri Lake's last day is June 7, her position is posted on the County website. Brandi Spangler's last day is May 28, her position is not yet posted. Keaton Welch, Pretrial Officer, is starting May 28. April Gonzalez, Licensed Addiction Counselor, is starting June 3.

Budget will be going before the Commission on May 28 for approval. The survey, a Pretrial vehicle, and a strategic planning facilitator is included in the budget.

AmeriCorps Vista concept paper was accepted for vistas who will focus on a Diversion Program and an Early Childhood Intervention Program. If approved, they would start mid-October for 1 year.

5. Areas of focus for 2024 – Mofie Funk

Communication Workgroup – meets today, May 17th at 1:00pm.

Survey Workgroup – Survey will go out in FY 2025. Group will continue to meet.

Strategic Planning Workgroup – Facilitator is budgeted for in the FY 25 budget.

6. NNCJCC Annual Meeting - CAC Panel Presentation – Kellie McBride

Annual meeting June 4-6 at St. Paul's. CAC Panel Presentation will include Commissioner Hunthausen, Mark Nay, Judge Menahan, Teresa Charlton, and Kellie. Agenda is finalized and Kellie will send it out. Panel will meet beforehand to prepare. Workshop on working with state leaders is planned. Senator Ryan Lynch has been invited.

7. Non-Agenda Items

- Who can advocate for DOC offenders who are accused of a new crime and are awaiting court in the detention center when they could be functioning in society without losing insurance, housing, and employment while awaiting court?
- Having no nursing staff in the detention center on the weekends is an issue! These topics will be focus of discussion next meeting.
- YWCA update:
 - Currently writing PATH grant for \$250,000 for a housing navigator, program specialist, and case manager. Jen would like a letter of support from the CAC and CJS. Kellie will draft the letters of support for signatures. Need to be in by May 22.
 - Jen requests RAM be put on the addenda for discussion during next meeting. Will discuss RAM and using DOC funds for housing.
 - YWCA has been confirmed for the HUD Continuum of Care funding for housing navigator, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing money.

8. Public Comment

No Public Comment

9. Upcoming Dates:

Next CJCC Meeting – May 28, 2024, 4:15pm, Law and Justice Center Atrium

Next CAC Meeting – June 24, 2024, 12:00pm, Law and Justice Center Atrium

10. Adjourn