

LARIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

April 19th, 2022



Members Present: Matt Landers, Ed Seegrist, Lorenda Volker, Heather O'Hayre, Melissa Divido, Kristin Stephens, Kristine Miller, Frank Johnson, Michael Allen, Judge Villasenor, Gordon McLaughlin

Guests: Patti West

Staff Present: Tim Hand, Alexis Ongley, Dana Hersch, Diana Ingram

Notes: Aubrey Clevenger

This meeting was called to order at 12:06 pm by Chair Matt Landers

Conrad Ball Nominations

- Aubrey Clevenger notifies members that the 44th Annual Conrad L. Ball nominations are now open until June 10th.
- Spotlight articles will be published and pushed out to social media platforms on 4/20/22.
- As more event information is arranged, the Advisory Board will be updated.

2021 Annual Report

- The 2021 Annual Report has been finalized and is accessible on the Community Corrections webpage. Thanks to those involved in updating the report.

CJA Ceremony

- Commissioner Kristin Stephens provides a brief overview of the CJA Renaming/Groundbreaking ceremony.
- There was a vast attendance with media presence and a great way to celebrate a new landmark.
- Tim thanks Commissioner Stephens for her deep support of Community Corrections; both to staff and clients.
- Tim and the Advisory Board members warmly welcome Lorenda Volker, the interim County Manager since Linda Hoffman's retirement.

Clinical Director Resignation

- Tim reports the resignation of Mike Ruttenberg, previous Community Corrections Clinical Director.
- Tim is pleased to announce that Misty Perry was hired on as the new Clinical Director and brings forth a wealth of knowledge and experience.
- Tim and the Community Corrections department are thrilled to have Misty a part of the team.

ASD COVID Outbreak

- Alexis Ongley discloses that ASD is in outbreak status with a total of 16 reported positive cases.
- Management has redefined what it means to be on outbreak status: 1 confirmed case and two presumed positive cases will incite outbreak status.
- Masks have been determined optional in Community Corrections as staff continue to work diligently in managing the everchanging operations.

Bylaws Updates

- Alexis covers each proposed update outlined in the Bylaws. Some changes are minute while

others may require a large procedural change.

- Alexis touches on the changes that will occur in the LCCC Advisory Board subcommittee meeting.
- To be in compliance with the open meeting law, the subcommittee meeting will now be available to the public with executive sessions where confidential information will be discussed.
- Furthermore, to ensure consistency, the previously used term “offender” is being changed to “client.”
- After brief discussion regarding the proposed updates, the board members vote to motion an approval. Motion carries.

Article 74

- Alexis initiates the conversation around the addition of CRS Article 74 to Title 24.
- The article speaks to allowing the protection of personal identifying information, immigration status, and access to services.
- This change will impact internal screening processes and referral source data.

Don Hopkins Donations

- Tim shares the frequent presence of Donn Hopkins’ wife, Linda Hopkins, and her donations to Community Corrections.
- Linda has been donating countless button up shirts and blouses for male clients to utilize for interviews and other nice outings.
- Tim explains to the members what the “mentor room” is where clients can go get fitted for clothes, shoes, and other items.

Long Bill – Subsistence

- Tim discloses the occurring’s from the Long Bill on Subsistence which is processing through JBC.
- Tim and the team report great results and even received a 2% provider rate increase across the board whilst also waving client fees for an entire year.
- Although this will allow clients to build their savings account without any fiscal stress, it does create several internal issues within the department that will have to be ironed out.

House Bill 22-1326

- Tim addresses the first Community Corrections bill to reach the general assembly, HB22-1326, requesting an exploratory task force to study the idea of having funded misdemeanants into the facility.
- Tim further delineates how the bill will help misdemeanors in Community Corrections.
- On 4/20/22, Tim will go down to the Colorado State Capitol with two male clients to testify for the bill and to offer firsthand perspectives about what’s going on in the streets.

Video of Fentanyl Overdose

- Members watch a recorded video of an overdose incident involving a male client who had 4 NARCAN’s administered to him before he regained consciousness.
- Clarifying questions are asked as the video is discussed and members observe the swift responsiveness of staff members throughout the incident.
- Melissa Divido enlightens members about the OpiRescue app which provides lifesaving step by step directions on how to administer NARCAN during an opioid overdose.

Case Filing

- Tim calls attention to a conflicting matter needing a solution and questions how this had been overlooked.
- DOC has not been filing transition cases that are considered an escape or an unauthorized absence.
- Tim created an excel containing all transition escapes dating back to 2012 and plans to share this

with DOC and Public Safety.

- As progress is made and a solution is discovered, Tim will brief Advisory Board members.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:03 pm by Chair Matt Landers

Next Meeting is May 17th, 2022