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MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

April 25, 2018

12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Conference Call 1-877-820-7831; Passcode: 4811933

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Rogelio Flores, Mr. Scott Brown, Chad Finke, Mr. Mark Gale, Hon. Kathleen Kelly, Hon. Sam Lavorato Jr., Hon. Stephen Manley, Justice Eileen Moore, Randy Peshon, Ms. Jennifer Rodriguez-Moore, Ms. Kulvindar "Rani" Singh, Hon. Dylan Sullivan, and Dr. Kathleen West.

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Richard Vlavianos, Mr. Steve Binder, Mr. David Brooks, Hon. Lawrence Brown, Ms. Deborah Cima, Mr. Richard Cota, Ms. Sharon Di Pirro-Beard, Hon. Elizabeth Lee, Ms. Sharon Owsley, Ms. Marlies Perez, Ms. Maria Rocha, and Mr. Paul Shapiro.

Others Present: Hon. Charles Ervin, Francine Byrne, Emily Chirk, Octavio Jimenez, Tareq Nazamy, Angelica Souza, and Carrie Zoller.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Vice-chair called the meeting to order at 12:17 p.m., and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS I-IV)

Item I

Collaborative Court Standard of Judicial Administration: California's Standards of Judicial Administration regarding collaborative and drug courts needs to be updated to reflect changes in criminal law and collaborative court practices following changes in criminal justice policy including Public Safety Realignment and Proposition 47. The Committee will review current standards (Standard 4.10), as well as existing national standards, and propose revisions to existing standards or new standards to define collaborative courts in order to provide clear guidance to trial courts regarding the definitions and effective practices in these courts

Action: Create a working group to look at the national standards to find out common practices. Send concept to the committee to find out if anyone is interested in assisting with this working group.

Item II

Coordinators Meeting Report Back: The California Drug Court Coordinators Working Group held a meeting in San Bernardino on April 9. Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee (CJCAC) member, Scott Brown, and staff Francine Byrne, presented on the work of the Judicial Council and CJCAC and led a discussion on potential projects or issues that would benefit from increased collaboration between the two groups. Potential areas of collaboration included increasing data quality and standardization, developing tools to facilitate communication including the collaborative court listserv, and identifying innovative practices that are responsive to changes in criminal justice policy.

Action: No action

Item III

Report Back on RFP for Research on Veterans and VTC

SB 339 is a bill that was signed last year by Governor Brown that mandated and provided funding to the Judicial Council to conduct a statewide study on Counties that operate a VTC, and Counties that do not operate a VTC. The Criminal Justice Services Office drafted an RFP (request for proposal) for vendors to submit proposals to conduct the study on behalf of the Judicial Council.

Action: *The Criminal Justice Services Office is currently reviewing several proposals and will select a vendor as the contractor to complete the work outlined in the RFP by 5/2/18. The findings of the study will be reported to the legislature on or before June 1, 2020.*

Item IV

Update on Mental Health Projects

Center for Families, Children & the Courts Senior Analyst, Tareq Nazamy, was introduced and explained that he will be working on mental health projects, including drafting a document to assist courts in accessing funds through the Mental Health Services Act. Judge Ervin mentioned there is challenge in San Joaquin County regarding availability of experienced psychologists to do 1368 evaluations at courts rate.

Action: *Judge Manley suggested studying the issue and then developing a solution to recommend to the Governor and the legislature. The Mental Health subcommittee will look at the issue of the availability of 1368 evaluators and whether to proceed.*

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on August 22, 2018.