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WORKLOAD ASSESSMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING AND ACTION BY EMAIL

8/27/15

12:15 p.m.

Conference Call

Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. Lorna Alksne, Chair; Hon. Irma Asberry; Hon. Joyce Hinrichs; Hon. Suzanne Kingsbury; Hon. John Kiriwara; Hon. Annemarie Pace; Hon. Garrett Wong; Ms. Sherri Carter; Mr. Jake Chatters; Mr. Stephen Nash; Mr. Brian Taylor; Ms. Mary Beth Todd

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Richard Martin; Ms. Sheran Morton; Mr. Darrel Parker

Others Present: Bryan Borys; Michael Corriere; Christine Donovan; Marita Ford; Patty Wallace; Lori Whaley; Chris Belloli; Deana Farole; Lucy Fogarty; Leah Rose-Goodwin; Jody Patel; Zlatko Theodorovic; Karen Viscia;

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and took roll call.

Acknowledgment of Outgoing Members

The chair recognized Mr. Jake Chatters, Ms. Kim Turner, and Ms. Mary Beth Todd for their service to the Workload Assessment Advisory Committee (WAAC).

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the 5/20/2015 WAAC meeting.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEM 1-4)

Item 1

AB 1058 Funding Allocation Joint Subcommittee Update (Discussion)

Hon. Irma Asberry, Joint Subcommittee Co-Chair, provided an update to WAAC on the work to date of the subcommittee.

Item 2

Special Circumstances Subcommittee Update (Action Required)

Mr. Jake Chatters and Ms. Deana Farole presented an update to WAAC from the Special Circumstances Subcommittee, which was asked to further study workload issues in special circumstances homicide

cases. The chair led a discussion regarding the subcommittee's recommendation to not create a new special circumstances caseweight, but rather to ensure this work is captured in the upcoming Resource Assessment Study (RAS) study.

Action: *The recommendations of the Special Circumstances Subcommittee were approved.*

Item 3

Resource Assessment Study Timeline (Action Required)

WAAC discussed and considered whether to approve an alternative timeline for the RAS update and a corresponding modification to the committee's annual agenda. The RAS study would start in February or March 2016 according to this alternative timeline.

Action: *WAAC voted to approve the alternative timeline and modification to the annual agenda.*

Item 4

Requests to consider other factors in the RAS model (Discussion)

Hon. Lorna A. Alksne facilitated a discussion on the process for considering requests to consider other factors in the RAS model. This agenda item will be revisited at a future meeting when there is more time for discussion.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Minutes to be approved by the advisory body on 12/2/15.

A C T I O N B Y E M A I L

Report emailed to WAAC on 10/13/15

A C T I O N I T E M (I T E M 1)

Item 1

2015 Judicial Council Report to the Legislature required under G.C. 77001.5 (Action Required)

This report was circulated to WAAC for approval via email because the report needed to be submitted on or before November 1, 2015, and there was no regularly scheduled WAAC meeting between the time it was ready for review and the due date.

Action: *WAAC voted to approve that the report, **Judicial Administration Standards and Measures That Promote the Fair and Efficient Administration of Justice**, be submitted to the Judicial Council for approval at the October 2015 Judicial Council meeting.*