



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Criminal Justice Council - Racial Disparities Subcommittee

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Tuesday, October 25, 2022

12:15 PM Please see top of agenda for instructions on how to join  
the meeting.

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#### A. Call To Order

*Staff: Isabel Anadon, Tamarine Cornelius, Sarah Jensen, Karin Peterson-Thurlow*

**Meeting called to order by PELLEBON at 12:21 PM.**

**Present** 5 - CATHERINE DORL, ISMAEL OZANNE, JONATHAN TRIGGS, MATT TYE, and  
Co-Chair DANA PELLEBON

**Excused** 4 - JOHN BAUMAN, RON CHANCE, WESLEY SPARKMAN, and MARIO WHITE

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022  
MIN-304](#)

MINUTES OF AUGUST, 2022 CJC-RACIAL DISPARITIES  
SUBCOMMITTEE

**Attachments:** [2022MIN-304](#)

A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by TRIGGS, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

#### C. Presentations

##### 1. COMMUNITY JUSTICE INITIATIVE

*Presented by Isabel Anadon*

*Overview of the Community Courts Initiative grant from the Bureau of Justice Administration (BJA). Dane applied to the Planning & Implementation program, and was successfully awarded. The six principles of community courts are embedded into the grant: 1) Enhanced information, 2) community engagement, 3) collaboration, 4) individualized justice, 5) accountability, and 6) outcomes. The purpose is also to address root causes of inequity. This is growth and expansion of initiatives, but will not duplicate existing services. There are three stages of the grant: 1) planning, 2) pilot implementation, and 3) full implementation. The planning period will be six months at the beginning of the grant, and community engagement will be particularly critical at this stage. The Board is in the process of accepting the grant, which involves technical action from the County Board.*

*- FY 2022 Community Courts Initiative Funding & Awards*

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PRES-165](#)

PRESS RELEASE REGARDING GRANT FOR COMMUNITY COURT

**Attachments:** [CCI PressRelease 2022](#)

This resolution was placed on file

2. 2023 BUDGET (KOSTELIC & THURLOW)

*Presented by Jeff Kostelic, County Executive; Karin Peterson-Thurlow, County Board of Supervisors*

*Discussion of creation of Office of Justice Reform and Equity. The Office will transfer two positions from County Board of Supervisors (CJC Research Analyst and CJC Research Data and Evaluation Analyst) and add three new positions. Funding will include staffing, operating costs, office space, micro-grants to provide seed funds to innovative initiatives from community organizations, reentry programming, and county board criminal justice initiatives. This Office does not replace the CJC; instead, it will offer additional support to the CJC's direction.*

3. AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE DANE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, REGARDING THE NAME AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL (SUP. HUELSEMANN)

*Presented by Supervisor Huelsemann*

*Review of County Resolution regarding amending the name and membership of the Criminal Justice Council. If passed, this amendment will add two people with lived experience of incarceration and one person with lived experience of mental health conditions to the CJC. It will also add community members to the Behavioral Health subcommittee and the Racial Disparities subcommittee. This is intended to center the voices of the people most impacted by the criminal justice system.*

4. DISCUSSION OF 'JFA Institute Response to 2021 RES-320' PRESENTATION TO THE DANE COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL ON JULY 28, 2022

*Presented by Pellebon*

*Review of JFA Institute presentation. The data shows that there was a drop in average daily jail population (ADP) at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, and there has been a steady increase since that point. The presentation shows the difference in a point-in-time jail population in July 2021 compared to July 2022. Dane County continues to have very high racial disparities in incarceration. Review of October 2021 recommendations regarding jail population and jail design.*

[2022  
PRES-099](#)

JFA INSTITUTE RESPONSE TO 2021 RES-320 PRESENTATION

**Attachments:** [2022 PRES-099 - JFA Presentation](#)

This resolution was placed on file

**D. Action Items**

## 1. RECOMMENDATION TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL ON THE FORMATION OF A CJC SUB-COMMITTEE TO GUIDE COMMUNITY JUSTICE/COURT INITIATIVES IN DANE COUNTY

*Motion to discuss action item moved by Ozanne, seconded by Triggs.*

*Review of the action item to recommend creating a subcommittee to guide community justice/court initiatives. This would relate directly to the Community Justice Initiative discussed in Item C(1) during this meeting. Discussion of amending the language about the frequency of subcommittee meetings. The recommendation currently states that the subcommittee would meet "a minimum of twice per month," but the frequency may change over the different stages of the grant. During the 6-month planning period, the subcommittee would meet at least twice per month, but following that first stage it might meet less frequently.*

**A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by TYE, that the recommendation be approved as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**

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RECOMMENDATION TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL ON  
THE FORMATION OF A CJC SUB-COMMITTEE TO GUIDE  
COMMUNITY JUSTICE/COURT INITIATIVES IN DANE COUNTY

**Attachments:** [2022 ACT-165](#)

**This resolution was approved as amended**

## E. Reports to Committee

### 1. COMMUNITY RESTORATIVE COURT UPDATE (CRC STAFF)

*Presenters are unavailable, so there will be no update at this time. The subcommittee staff will receive an update in writing and share with subcommittee.*

## F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

*The next CJC-Racial Disparities subcommittee meeting is on December 6, 2022 at 12:15pm.*

## G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

*None*

## H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

*None*

## I. Adjourn

**A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by TRIGGS, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending subcommittee approval**