



**COLONIAL COMMUNITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE BOARD**

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**Meeting Notes:**

Colonial Community Criminal Justice Board

February 3, 2020

Poquoson Public Library

**Members Present**

Thomas J. Byrne  
Sean Dunn  
Chad Green  
Judge Colleen Killilea  
Stacy Kern-Sheerer  
Adam Kinsman, Chair  
Betty Lasris  
Joe McLaughlin  
Charles Moss, Vice Chair  
Virginia Munoz  
Patricia Paige  
Jenny Pauls  
Andrew Trivette  
Kelly Waddell  
Roy Witham for Tony Pham

**Members Absent**

Judge Wade Bowie  
Bill Coad  
David Coe  
Todd Duval  
Dennis Ivey  
Joe Jackson  
Judge Mike McGinty  
Brad Rinehimer  
Rob Tyler

**Staff Present**

Hal Diggs, CCC Director  
Ashley Brown, CCC Administrative  
Coordinator  
Jack Fitzpatrick, Criminal Justice Planner

**1. CALL TO ORDER** (*Adam Kinsman*)

The quarterly meeting of the Colonial Community Criminal Justice Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Adam Kinsman.

**2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM** (*Ashley Brown*)

Administrative Coordinator Ashley Brown called the roll and reported that a quorum was present.

**3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS** (*Adam Kinsman*)

The Chair welcomed new Virginia Peninsula Regional Jail (VPRJ) Superintendent Roy Witham who will serve as Tony Pham’s designee until the City of Poquoson is able to appoint him to the seat. Mr. Kinsman asked Mr. Witham if he wanted to make a statement. Mr. Witham wanted to acknowledge the recent line of duty death of Major Angelanette Moore, who served VPRJ honorably for more than 20 years.

**4. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 4, 2019 MEETING NOTES**

Chief Dunn made a motion to approve the meeting notes as presented, Mr. Trivette seconded, and the motion was approved by voice vote.

**5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

No report.

**6. APPOINTMENTS and ELECTIONS** (*Hal Diggs for Brad Rinehimer*)

Mr. Diggs read a report from Nomination Committee Chairman Rinehimer and advised that both Chair Kinsman and Vice Chair Moss are willing to continue to serve in their current positions. No other Board members have advised that they are interested in serving for 2020. Mr. Diggs asked if there were nominations from the floor for the positions and none were made. Mr. Green made a motion to elect the slate as presented, Mr. Dunn seconded, and the motion was approved.

## 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### a.) Juvenile Justice Committee: *(Jack Fitzpatrick for Joe Jackson)*

- The Committee has not met this quarter due to school break and scheduling conflicts. Several members of the Committee attended a Lunch And Learn hosted by Another Level Youth & Family Services (substance abuse counseling center in Norge) on January 29, 2020 in an effort to maximize our efforts to assist youth in the region.
- Our ten public safety videos have yielded 1,404 views. A letter was sent to William and Mary contacts in November but no volunteer actors have stepped forward to this point.
- The Justice Planner is assisting the Historic Triangle Drug Prevention Coalition with their social media outreach and has launched their Facebook page.
- The Justice Planner provided presentations of the Dangers of Synthetic Drugs and Opioids for Warhill High School in mid-December teaching 165 students about the topic.

### b.) CIT & Opioids Abuse Committee: *(Jack Fitzpatrick for David Coe)*

Mr. Coe sent an email to Mr. Fitzpatrick advising that there is the potential for great change from the new General Assembly session (both money and legislation) but we will have to wait and see. The next CIT 40-hour certification class will be held from March 9-13 at the Stryker Bldg. in Williamsburg.

### c.) Re-Entry Committee: *(Jenny Pauls)*

- The **DMV Connect** program returned in January 2020 to VPRJ serving 18. The new state computer fob is in-hand. The total number served at VPRJ, is 327.
- The **Community Of Faith Mission-Winter Shelter** opened on November 17, 2019 and will run through March 22, 2020. York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office and New Zion Baptist Church provided Thanksgiving lunches & the shelter had a "float" in the Williamsburg Christmas Parade to help raise awareness. The "Warm Up Williamsburg" fundraiser for COFM will be held on Friday, January 31 from 5:15-8:00 p.m. with more than a dozen local restaurants providing their best soups. Reservations are required and tickets are limited (\$25/person)

- Two male volunteers continue to serve in the **One Stop Resume' computer center**. We do not currently have a female volunteer other than Ma'rea Proctor-Colonial Re-Entry Coordinator-and two female CCC probation Officers.
- VPRJ **therapeutic substance abuse recovery pod** called "We Are In This Together" (WAITT) finished its third session in mid-Dec. The preliminary number who will enter the fourth session is 16—an increase over the previous sessions. This session started on Monday, January 13, 2020 and will end in April. As a reminder, the program is all-inclusive, 3-months in length, serves up to 20 women at a time, provides trauma-informed counseling, AA/NA support, job prep, family reunification, and religious programming. Prospective inmates have to apply and be interviewed for admission to the pod.
- **Planning for the VPRJ second VPRJ Re-Entry Fair** is in progress. The spring fair is planned for the end of March 2020. CCC Re-Entry Coordinator Ma'rea Proctor is assisting with a Hampton Roads regional Re-Entry Fair for early in 2020 and is making additional contacts and learning much from the process. Mr. Diggs noted that the local (VPRJ-specific) Re-Entry Fair has been postponed due to the change of date for the regional fair.

Jail Administrator Tony Pham did not leave his post on Dec. 13, 2019—as previously reported—but served until January 15<sup>th</sup> when Roy Witham—his Assistant Superintendent—was named as his permanent replacement.

Flyers for the regional Re-Entry Fair are available at the desk for those who want copies.

## **8. REPORT OF CCC AGENCY DIRECTOR**

Mr. Diggs advised that all of the budget requests have been submitted to the Colonial Region jurisdictions. The budget amounts will remain flat through 2022. Last year, CCC received an additional \$15,000 from the CCCA/PSA grant. Several bills currently before the General Assembly are being followed to see what changes will be coming. If cash bail is eliminated, that would mean significant changes for our pre-trial personnel. Additional requests have been made to study and report on potential changes for different bills. The level at which petit larceny becomes grand larceny is likely to change from \$200 to between \$750-2,000. This, too would have a significant impact on local (misdemeanor) probation. Judge Killilea suggested that it is very likely to be increased.

Noting the number of newer Justice Board members serving currently, Mr. Diggs offered to have CCC Probation Officers provide a brief presentation to the Board in May so that all can be clear on the tasks and responsibilities of the office. Members appeared to be interested and the presentation will be scheduled for our May quarterly meeting.

## **9. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Fitzpatrick provided background information on the annual In-kind Donation report which tracks the number of hours being devoted to Justice Board efforts and initiatives. He provided a handout synopsis to the members and passed the 14-page report for around review and offered to email the report to anyone who was interested.

Mr. Kinsman advised that the Historic Triangle Leadership class will begin soon for 2020. He noted that people from all Colonial jurisdictions are welcome. It is a 2-year program and the cost is around \$2,000.

## **10. CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Kinsman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Monday, **May 4, 2020**, in the City of Williamsburg

*\*\*Note: Although present at this meeting, Judge Colleen Killilea abstained from participating in any Board votes.*