STANISLAUS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Friday – July 8, 2013
Stanislaus County Probation Department – Conference Room

MEMBERS/DESIGNEES PRESENT

JILL SILVA, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
BIRGIT FLADAGER, District Attorney
ADAM CHRISTIANSON, Sheriff
MADELYN SCHLAEPFER, Director, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
SONNY SANDHU for Timothy P. Bazar, Public Defender
STEPHANIE KENNEDY, for Rebecca Fleming, Superior Court of California

MEMBERS ABSENT

CHIEF GALEN CARROLL, Modesto Police Department

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Chief Probation Officer Jill Silva.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present.

3. FURTHER DISCUSSION ON CCP PLAN - PHASE III

Chief Silva advised that she has received feedback from CEO staff and a couple of Board members concerning the issue of setting aside dedicated funds in the Phase III CCP Plan for AB900. She also reviewed the process for funding future staff salary increases over the base allocation amount and the use of the contingency fund.

Chief Silva noted that Dr. Schlaepfer has expressed concerns regarding the Second Chances program since the last meeting and after her review of the program. Dr. Schlaepfer advised that this program is labeled as a mental health program, but the pilot program was more vocational focused. After further evaluation of the pilot program outcomes, concern was expressed that the Second Chances program is not accomplishing their goals as a mental health program. Therefore, the Executive Committee suggested that this program focus their project more on the vocational aspect and not mental health care services and be given a full year of operation to develop the program. The group emphasized that this program is providing a service to a population of offenders who need to learn to focus their time and be responsible in order to stay out of jail.

Chief Silva addressed the District Attorney's and Public Defender's portion of the CCP plan noting that this section should emphasize the number of new law violation arrests that have resulted from the increased supervision of AB109 offenders and the RAT operations. This number would be an indicator of the increased workload for these offices since funding specifically for the District Attorney and Public Defender offices is insufficient to meet their increases in workload for handling both parole violations and new law violations. DA Fladager noted that the AB109 legislative language restricts the use of the DA/PD funds to parole violations.

Chief Silva proposed to set aside \$3 million for AB900 with the remaining balance going to contingency to cover salary increases, costs and unforeseen changes. BHRS costs have been increased by \$86,481 due to the 1% increase in salary costs, 10% administrative fee, and furniture for new staff. In the present CCP plan, the Sheriff's Office and Probation Department have BHRS staff included, therefore, these amounts will be adjusted. The new total BHRS amount is \$1,870,442.

MOTION: Chief Silva. SECOND: Sheriff Christianson. To amend the previous recommendation to add a \$3 million line item for AB900 operations and programs, and modify the BHRS budget to reflect \$1,870,442 and reduce the Sheriff's Office and Probation Department by the corresponding staffing costs removed from their budgets into the BHRS budget. Five members approve the motion, one member absent (Chief of Modesto Police Department), and one member (Public Defender) in opposition.

The committee discussed the contingency funds and Chief Silva advised that the BSCC has distributed a report on the first two years of CCP planning and contingency funding is evident in other counties. Fund balances from the departments rolls over to the AB109 funds and gets reallocated every year.

The agenda item for the CCP Phase III Plan will be prepared and presented to the Board of Supervisors at the July 23rd or July 30th meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.