

STANISLAUS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

Meeting Minutes

Friday – June 22, 2012

Stanislaus County Probation Department – Training Room

MEMBERS/DESIGNEES PRESENT

JILL SILVA, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
TERRY WITHROW, Board of Supervisors
BIRGIT FLADAGER, District Attorney
ADAM CHRISTIANSON, Sheriff
KRISTIE SANTOS, Community Services Agency
TIMOTHY P. BAZAR, Public Defender
DEBRA BUCKLES, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
CHIEF MICHAEL HARDEN, Modesto Police Department
CINDY DUENAS, Center for Human Services
MIKE HAMASAKI, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
LT. BRENDA SUAREZ, Sheriff's Department
LT. RON LLOYD, Sheriff's Department
DORIS FOSTER, Chief Executive Office
STEPHANIE KENNEDY, Superior Court
STEVE JACKSON, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
MARK FERRIERA, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
MARGI ROGERS, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
KAREN CURCI, Administrative Services Manager, Probation Department

MEMBERS ABSENT

JEFF ROWE, Director, Alliance WorkNet
THOMAS CHAGNON, Stanislaus County Office of Education

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m. by Chief Probation Officer Jill Silva. Members of the group introduced themselves.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No members of the public were present.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM MAY 25, 2012 MEETING**

MOTION: Sheriff Adam Christianson. SECOND: Cindy Duenas. The minutes of the May 25, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously.

4. **CCP PLAN – STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION AND STATISTICS / PROJECTIONS**

The following is an update on the CCP programs:

- a. **Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS):** Steve Jackson, Supervising Probation Officer, reported that during the month of June 2012, there were 64 releases which brings the total to 683 released offenders to date. In July, it is anticipated that the number of offenders released will drop off to approximately 38. There were two successful RAT operations this month. The RAT operation with MPD had nine arrests and the RAT operation in the North Area Command (Salida, Oakdale and Riverbank) operation had approximately 17 arrests with a large amount of narcotics confiscated. The entire northeast area PRCS warrants were pulled and released offenders in each city were targeted. Sheriff Christianson pointed out that with the age of technology, word might have spread after the first search was made. Officer Jackson noted that five teams from different agencies went out simultaneously. Post-operation reports are being prepared. The collaboration and teamwork was commended.

Marci Rogers, Supervising Probation Officer, who oversees operations of a newly formed second PRCS unit, reported there are currently 33 active GPS units operating with 18 of these units placed on sex offenders.

- b. **Day Reporting Center (DRC):** Mark Ferriera, Supervising Probation Officer, reported on some programming milestones experienced at the DRC:
 - i. GED program: A group of eight probationers attending this program for over a year took the GED exam. Three probationers passed the entire test. Five passed three or four of the five tests and will be returning to prepare for a re-take of these sections. This was the largest group of offenders, to date, taking the GED at one time. This demonstrates that GED classes are working for some offenders.
 - ii. Drug and alcohol class has been going for a few weeks. This program is receiving good feedback from Probation Officers.

Officer Ferriera reported that there are presently 379 offenders sentenced to 1170(h). Of those, 66 were sentenced to custody time only with no supervision tail; 313 were sentenced to split sentence (a combination of jail and supervision). Of those, 42 are currently released and being supervised by the DRC unit.

A question was asked regarding GED capacity and Officer Ferriera noted that Phase II is planning to increase these classes to 8 or 9, with 20 to 25 participants in each class. The cost to take the exam, which is \$145 for each participant, was provided by the SB678 (original seed money for preventing people from going to prison) funding.

- c. **Bed Space:** Lt. Suarez reported that there are presently 251 offenders in custody with 1170 sentences; 144 are these are in the facility with 68 on AWP and 39 on home detention. There is a total of 127 parolees, with 58 of those being hold only, which calculates to approximately 200 additional offenders who would normally be in prison staying in the county. The first nine-month projection, based on the State's numbers, was supposed to be 215 1170 sentences and 75 parolees. This County ended up with 313 1170 sentences and 386 parolees, which is five times the projected number. The 1170 cases are those offenders who can no longer be sent to State prison. These offenders are doing local jail-only time or a split sentence, where a period of time is done in custody and then the offender is placed on probation supervision. Prior to AB109, these offenders would have been sent to State facilities and now they are being sentenced to local time.
- d. **Integrated Forensics Team:** Debra Buckles, BHRS, reported that there are some staffing difficulties being experienced. Presently, there are ten individuals in the PRCS IFT program. Eleven referrals are pending, with four of these individuals still in prison with release anticipated soon.

Chief Silva explained that these program updates are presented to the CCP during these meetings because this group is responsible for identifying the programs and services to support for year two. Therefore, information is presented on what the population looks like with their needs identified, as well as the effectiveness of the programs funded from the first year in addressing this population and their needs. The numbers and trends/patterns must be assessed. In summary, the first year programs include the PRCS Units, the Day Reporting Center, the jail alternatives, bed space at the jail, and the Integrated Forensics Team. In addition, both Probation and the Sheriff's Office have the ability to contract for services to be provided at the jail and at the day reporting center.

5. INVOICING/BUDGET UPDATE

Karen Curci, Administrative Services Manager for the Probation Department, reported that \$4.5 million has been received from the State through May. The Sheriff's Office and Probation Department have each billed for approximately \$1 million. Ms. Curci noted she is working closely with the Sheriff's Office for consistency in the invoicing process for services. Invoices have been received from BHRS and the CEO's office to be processed. Also received is a claim from the City of Modesto for the RAT operation and a claim is expected from the City of Turlock.

Chief Silva explained that two Family Services Specialists will be added for next year instead of one Social Worker, a position that did not get filled during the first year. These specialists can work in both the DRC and work with offenders in custody or in AWP prior to coming to supervision. These eligibility workers will be beneficial and a more useful position to utilize.

6. PHASE II DRAFT PLAN REVIEW

Chief Silva advised she is still working on gathering information for the Phase II CCP Plan. The tentative date to present the CCP Plan to the Board of Supervisors is July 24th. The plan will be e-mailed to the group for review.

Chief Silva reported on an update of the SB678 seed money to be provided to keep probationers from being sent to State prison. This funding has been uncertain because it is based on the success rate of the programs, which includes the DRC. Therefore, a lag time is experienced between the projections given and the assessment of the programs. Initially, \$400,000 was expected for SB678; however, three times that amount is now projected so the DRC staffing budgeted for Phase II of CCP will now be covered by SB678. Other options for this money will now need to be evaluated by the Executive Committee.

7. MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting will be held on Friday, July 27th, at 11:30 a.m. in the Probation Department. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.