Minutes for Criminal Justice/Alternatives to Incarceration Advisory Board (CJATI)

Date: 07/28/2021 **Call to Order:** 12:07pm

Attendees (22): Deana Bodnar, Marie Boyer, Ray Bunce, Deanna Carrithers, Diane Cohen, Angelina DeBenedet, Deb Dietrich, Mark Dresser, Henry Granison, Rich John, Briana Lalman, August Miguez, Louise Miller, Bridgette Nugent, Mary Orsaio, Richard Rivera, Sue Robinson, Benay Rubenstein, Lance Salisbury, Angela Sullivan, Matt Van Houten, Jerry Wright

Attendees made introductions and brief announcements.

Minutes: 06/23/2021 meeting minutes were approved.

Moved: Deb Dietrich

Seconded: Matt Van Houten

Ayes: Unanimous

Updates:

a. Chair's Update:

- a. College Upstate Initiative- Submitted and approved the CJATI grant for funding CUI
- b. American Rescue Plan- Tompkins County Legislature approved the use of ARP funds for use on Capital expenses, with understanding that some funds will be used on community services. The Budget, Capital, and Personnel Committee will be setting parameters on how the ARP funds will be used and distributed.

b. Reimagining Public Safety

Deanna Carrithers- Tompkins County has posted two positions for the Community Justice Center, Project Manager and Data Analyst. The posting is open until August 15th. Please share and encourage with your network and, specifically, those who are interested in social justice.

The Ithaca Police Department redesign- Dept. of Emergency Response is aware of the process and will be doing call type education session. The City has appointed a group of community residence to be involved. The County will provide technical assistance, support, and mental health assistance. Other community law enforcement agencies are also involved. We are still working on the contract with the City.

Q-Markets Software will allow feedback and recommendations. It will be a great tool for public comments and ideas. Asking agencies involved to reach out to other community contacts to push out the information.

Rich John- CJC Advisory Board- still in the development phase, using the approach of a committee to create a committee. The committee will be created by the end of the year.

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c. Career Pathways- Presentation (slides attached) - A Coordinated Approach to Employment in our

Rich John-This project grew from the Reset Program and is providing employment opportunities to people coming out of jail, treatment, and others in the community struggling to find work. The pandemic served as a catalyst to supercharge this project.

Diane Cohen- The City has an interest in this project as well.

d. Long Term Inmate Report

Matt Van Houten- Eight individuals on the report. It should be noted that the last two on the list is parole only, local charges are not what is keeping them in jail. Will see more movement and the list will become shorter as the courts move to having more trials.

Ray Bunce- No specific factors in the rise of numbers in the jail Lance Salisbury- Mental health due to the pandemic may be one of the contributors to growing numbers

Adjourn: 1:15 pm

Pathways Project

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