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

**Date:** 10/24/2018

**Call to Order:** 12:03

**Attendees:** Geno Tournour, Benay Rubenstein, Matt Van Houten, Lance Salisbury, Mark Dresser, Ken Lansing, Dan Cornell, Deb Dietrich, Deana Bodnar, Amber Adele, Rich John, Henry Granison, Louise Miller, Taili Mugambee, Scott Miller, Ray Bunce, Justine Lynady, Brad Walworth, Sharon MacDougall, Angela Sullivan, Keala Klapan, David Sanders

**Additions/ Deletions/ Announcements**

Sharon announced that Mental Health now has one Clinic Director, rather than two, her name is Ashleigh Wedding, her title Director-Mental Health Clinic.

**Minutes: July & Sept.**

Though many received the minutes via e-mail some members did not. Minutes are new for CJATI. We are striving to adopt a consistent and efficient method. The Chair will send out minutes, at least one week prior to our next scheduled meeting. Any corrections warranted by feedback from members will be e-mailed to the Chair who will make the correction and present changes prior to approval.

**Long Term Jail Statistics – Ray**

Capt. Bunce presented the long-term inmate report (unsentenced). The discussion focused on one inmate who was currently housed out to Rochester RFU as of 9/27. RFU stands for Regional Forensic Unit, at Rochester Psychiatric Center. Their primary mission is to provide inpatient psychiatric treatment to mentally ill individuals who are currently involved with the Criminal Justice System. Typically, this occurs through a 730 referral, NY Criminal Procedure Law (Fit to Proceed) which evaluates if a person understands the situation they’re in - requested by legal counsel. Cost issues were discussed and local alternatives advocated.

**Reentry Program (3Q) Report – Sharon/ Dave**

The Mental Health Reentry program has done a remarkable job regarding: implementation, outreach, establish high-end performance measures, client impact, and as the third quarter data revealed – improvement from one quarter to the next within their Better Off measures.

Dave shared some of what has been learned from Marie’s experiences. Areas that if improved would allow many to get the help they need to improve their lives. Some are local, but many are State regulations, leading us outside the county, if we hope to improve “systems” and address barriers.

**Ithaca City Court Mental Health Court Update – Judge Miller**

Jude Miller began with a local panel discussion on Mental Health Court sponsored NAMI at Greenstar. He estimated about 50-60 people attended to show their support. Judge Miller outlined what has happened over the last few months: planning, policy, procedures, as well as local and state support. Demographics and funding are high priorities. Rich John and Judge Miller will be attending Ithaca City Council tonight seeking their support.

**Questions/comments on Criminal Justice Outline - ALL**

Due to the length of time spent on presentations at our last meeting, the board was given some time to reflect on the current outline and how we might monitor our Criminal Justice System.

**Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Juvenile Justice Team – Dave**

Dave recapped the State’s Partnership for Youth Justice and the goal of addressing DMC within our Juvenile Justice system. OCFS, DCJS, OMH, Unified Court System, and NYSED have all come together to support this endeavor using RBA. Due to Tompkins’s County low numbers “improvement” within the RBA system would be difficult to prove. (the Goal is to improve the system) Therefore, in our draft proposal Tompkins County has selected to look at both Population Accountability (conditions at the County Level that contribute to DMC, example poverty) and Performance Accountability (outcomes on a client level and decisions made at each point within the system.) More information will be presented at our next meeting.

A Juvenile Justice Data Team, sub-committee of CJATI, is being sought. Representation from Probation, Courts, DA, Co Attn, and Law Enforcement are being sought. Dan Cornell and Suzi Cook have already volunteered, CJATI members interested were asked to email the Chair.

**Jail Census Trend Data - Turn the Curve exercise – Dave**

The CJATI Advisory Board separated into small groups of 3 members and used the RBA TTC (Turn the Curve) exercise to examine the Jail Census trend data, forecast (where they believe it was headed), explain the Story Behind the data (Why the graph looks the way it does), and seeks Partners with a role to play in “improving” conditions for continued improvement.

The CJATI Advisory Board will continue the TTC exercise in December which will include consensus and establishing an Action Plan.

**Adjourn** 1:23

**Submitted:** David M Sanders

**Date**: 9/26/2018