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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING 2/28/2024 12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: CHARIMAN DA MITCHELL; SUZIIE TOUSEY; HONORABLE MICHAEL RUSSELL; ROBBIE DOERSTE; CHRISTINE SWENSON; TERESA BURTON, ALEXANDER KUMP, CAPT KATHLEEN YARSUKIK

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS STAFF PRESENT: MR. PHILLIP LOCKMAN, FSA RYAN LOCKAMY, MS MAVIS HUTCHINGS

BOARD STATRTED AT 12:02 PM

REVIEW OF THE MEETING MINUTES: Review of the minutes from September 27, 2023. Chairman Mitchell asked if the board has read the minutes, and if there was any questions or changes needed. Meeting minutes were accepted by the board (8/8 approved).

NEWS/INFORMATIONAL/BOARD REQUESTS:

- Welcome new member Alexander Kump with the Housing Authority. Mr. Kump provided the board with an update on his background and stated to the board he is looking forward to being a member.
- Elect New Chair and Vice Chair Chairman Mitchell asked for any nominates for Chairman. Ms. Teresa Burton was nominated as Chairman. Chairman Mitchell asked for anymore nominations. Ms. Burton recommended Chairman Mitchell for another term. Chairman Mitchell declined for another term to allow a new member to Chair, but he said he would serve as the Vice Chair. Chairman Mitchell asked the board if they had anymore nominations. None at this time. Chairman Mitchell asked the for the board for nomination to accept the for Ms. Burton to be accepted as Chair and DA Mitchell as vice chair. Judge Michael Russell made the nomination to accept Ms. Burton as Chair and DA Mitchell as Vice Chair. All members approved 8/8.
- <u>Mr. Lockman and FSA Lockamy provided an update to the board members of the status of the Community Corrections Department.</u>

-Mr. Lockman stated he wanted to bring the board up to date on a few items. First, we it's been over a year now with Workday implementation with the UG, but we are still having a few issues with our financial stuff because of the lack of staffing and other issues. Mr. Lockman has created a new fiscal position that is based out of the Juvenile side because they have a lot more grants and pass throughs. Hoping to have the person by mid-March 2024. We are excited because the new person will give us a lot of help in getting all our fiscal requirements down because the UG is understaffed and under supported on workday. It's been hard getting our bills paid and our grant reporting done. Not for sure if our grant reporting will be completed by the end of the week. If it does not occur then a lot of meetings will occur with the Department of Corrections and the Governor's Office to get them turned in a timely fashion and correct. Hopefully, the new position will be filled, and we can take care of this in house in the future. Rebecca Sandow retired, and she used to handle all of our grant funding. She was a very big loss.

-Positive news-Mr. Lockman mentioned we asked for more money from the State last year (Community Corrections – State Wide) - The State asked for 5 million more and our cut would be around \$400,000 to \$600,000 thousand, which we are in need on the adult side. We are currently at 98% with employee payroll. The key services we still need additional funds for is emergency housing, drug and alcohol testing, and treatment, which has risen over the last few years. The Governor lobbied for 2 1/2 million in her budget and we lobbied for another 2 1/2 million. It is at the House, and we are hoping it will get approved. We should know something in about another 30 days. Mr. Lockman then turned it over to FSA Lockamy for an update.

- FSA Lockamy stated his title as Admin for Adult Division. Some items that the staff has trained this year is in the Core Principals of Evidence Based Practices. We then followed up with an offsite in December 2023, where we covered motivational interviewing skills and how it is important for the staff to have these skills when speaking/meeting with probationers. Then we took a deeper dive into prosocial modeling. Think about probationers and how some have no influential personnel in their lives. The probation officer can provide a positive prosocial model. Our last training this month of February we trained over antisocial attitudes. If you think about the cog theory and it states that what probationers believe is how they think and believe. Example: A probationer is testing positive for THC. We send him to treatment, but he or she stated its legal in Missouri. The probation officer helps them see why THC is not a good drug to use and tries to help them see that drugs are not they best way to handle issues.
- Next, we have updated all of our policies in the Department, and all have been. approved by KDOC. We were fully staffed and now we have three vacancies by the end of March 2024, and one on military leave until Jan 2025. We have moved some probationers around to the Supervisors and to the Level 4 officer. COIVD, we had problems, but we are trying to get there, but other agencies are having the same issue with filling the vacancies.
- Chairman Mitchell stated great job with the Department, and he also stated the the Director of the Health Department would also like to assist us with getting grants approved and getting grants if we need their assistance.
 - **RESUMED BUSINES:** None
 - **BOARD MAINTENANCE** Nothing at this time.

FUTURE MEETING LOCATION

- 3/27/2024, 12:00 1:00 PM, VIA ZOOM
 4/24/2024, 12:00 1:00 PM, VIA ZOOM

ADJOURNMENT: 12:20 PM

BOARD REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION: Nothing