

**SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Date: February 8, 2019

Location: 951 29th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Board members present: Shelly Kramer, Joe Oswald, Shelby Humbles, Keith Rippey and Joe McHale

Board Members participating via phone: Dan Anderson, Lisa Green-Douglass, Monica Challenger, Jan Kazimour

Staff members present: Bruce Vander Sanden, Greg Fitzpatrick, Kevin Posekany, Angela Brecht, Gabe Schaapveld, Lainie Smith

Guests: Daniel Craig, IDOC; Josh Lederman, Lederman Bail Bonds

INTRODUCTIONS/WELCOME GUESTS

PRESENTATION – Fed Program – Lainie Smith

Lainie Smith went over the Federal Bureau of Prisons Residential Program and presented the information in her handout. The 6JD is to house approximately 36 federal clients according to our contract. We work the Federal Minneapolis office.

Bruce Vander Sanden noted the Dave Boote and Lainie Smith do a great job working with the Fed Program. We provide a lot of interventions as well as supportive services.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Joe Oswald moved to approve the January 11th, 2019 minutes with the minor clarifications. Joe McHale second. Motion carried

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Bruce Vander Sanden reported

- DOC held a two day leadership symposium and eight 6JD staff attended. It was productive and provided good relationship building.
- Judy Breja was nominated for, and will be awarded, the Friend of the Court award next month.
- Justin Wheatley and Suzi Fabian did a food drive at the Wellington Heights Resource Center due to school closings. Many kids rely on meals the schools provide and this drive helped supplement these meals.
- Had a meeting with Catherine McCauley staff, due to the ANCHOR Center being all female now, hoping to coordinate and partner with them.
- Had a meeting with the Economic Alliance – it was noted that the Iowa unemployment rate is low and even lower in the corridor. This was a first meeting and they will be meeting again to work on solutions for businesses looking for staff. Bruce Vander Sanden noted the probationers were 50/50 on “banning the box.” Removing the stigma/stereotypes is very important. Lisa Green-Douglass noted that banning the box as they did in Johnson Co helps start the conversations and gives more people a chance.
- Bruce Vander Sanden did not attend the legislative breakfast in Des Moines due to the weather.

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FISCAL REPORT – Kevin Posekany reported:

- FY19 December

Kevin Posekany when through the fiscal report. The federal rent is increasing and he noted that the 6JD is on target fiscally.

Keith Rippy moved to approve the FY19 December financials. Joe McHale second. Motion carried.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Southern (next meeting 2/12/19)

Northern (next meeting 1/15/19)

Client Services (1/17/19) Shelly Kramer noted that the Client Services committee added three new members to the committee. There was a nice presentation on Iowa Works. They're setting up a brown bag lunch for 6JD staff and community partners. They talked about the outcome measurement tool and working on arranging a prison tour at Mitchellville.

Law Enforcement (next meeting 3/6/19)

Cultural Competency (next meeting 3/14/19)

OLD BUSINESS

- Other

NEW BUSINESS

- Elections
 - Joe Oswald moved to elect Keith Rippy to be the 6JD DCS Board Chairperson. Joe McHale second. Motion carried.
 - Joe Oswald moved to elect Lisa Green-Douglas for 1st Vice Chair of the 6JD Board. Monica Challenger second. Motion carried.
 - Joe Oswald moved to elect Ben Rogers for 2nd Vice Chair of the 6JD Board. Keith Rippy second. Motion carried.
 - Keith Rippy moved to elect Shelby Humbles, Joe McHale, Joe Oswald, and Monica Challenger to the 6JD Board Executive Committee. Joe McHale second. Motion carried.
- Other
 - Angela Brecht informed the Board that Ken Popenhagen removed himself from the 6JD Board and the 6JD Northern Advisory committee due to health reasons. It was noted that he has been a part of the 6JDDCS Board pretty much from the beginning and that he will be missed.
 - Interim DOC Director Dan Craig said the state of the corrections system is a solid system. He noted there are a lot of good things, innovative ideas, challenges, and working on recidivism, which was one of focus points of the symposium. He said no other state is like Iowa, and the 6JD does an excellent job and provides innovative ideas and they share this information across the state. Commented on the government recommendations: Job and apprenticeship program. Governor Reynolds brought up corrections up several times in the state of the state. So many good things going in Community Corrections. Employers are coming into the prisons/CBCs looking for candidates; and it helps provide training skills to clients. The 6JD does a fantastic job of this. He said this Board should be proud of the 6JD. He noted that accreditation is upon

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them and this looks at every facet of every agency. He said the 6JD aced the first one two years ago and he anticipates this year will be the same. He has a Justice appropriations meeting this week. Governor recommendations for infrastructure monies: the sprinkler system was approved for the 6JD. He attended the legislative breakfast and had a lot of legislators talk about doing more. Investing more on programming, this provides better success with clients. Add more resources to community corrections and moving some money to Community Corrections. Community Corrections is where we get the best bang for our buck. He said the 6JD is doing a good job and the Board should be proud.

- It was noted that there will be two valuable trainings at Coe College. On February 15th at 10:00 a.m. is Adam Foss, Swords and Shields: A Discussion of Power, Privilege and Opportunity; and on February 23rd at 1:00 p.m. is: Uncommon Allies, a documentary film about a mother struck by the tragedy of her son's murder that takes a stand against gun violence and homicide.

POLICY REVIEW –

- 2542-19 Key Tool & Sharp Utensil Control – Greg Fitzpatrick

Keith Rippy moved to approve the above listed policy. Lisa Green-Douglass second. Motion carried.

CONTRACT REVIEW – n/a

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL/TRAINING –

Todd Roberts, 3/9/19-3/13/19 to Miami, FL to present at APPA on Emotional Intelligence.

Joe McHale moved to approve the out of state travel noted above. Keith Rippy second. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – n/a

OTHER – n/a

Joe Oswald moved to adjourn. Keith Rippy second. Motion carried. Board meeting ended at 2:50 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be on March 8th, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m. at the Correctional Services Complex, 951 29th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Submitted by Angela Brecht, Board Secretary

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