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GLENN COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP MEETING

April 16, 2013

Minutes

Present: CPO Brandon Thompson; D.A. Robert Maloney; Sheriff Larry Jones; Willows Police Chief Jason Dahl; Orland Police Chief J.C. Tolle; Health Services Director Scott Gruendl; Public Defender Albert Smith; Janelle Bartlett, Superior Court; Sgt. Jim Miranda; Lucy Hernandez; Al Scott; David Allee; Glenn Myers; Deputy Todd Ross; Rick Beatty, and Noreen Nunes

Absent: Supervisor John Viegas and GCOE Superintendent Tracey Quarne

Call To Order And Attendance: Brandon Thompson called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and introductions were made by all present.

Approval Of Minutes: Minutes were passed out and reviewed. Larry Jones moved to approve the Minutes and Albert Smith seconded the motion. Said Minutes were approved.

Public Comment: There was no public comment from the floor or on agenda items.

Information/Discussion/Action Items: Lucy Hernandez presented the plaque HRA received for their Community Re-Entry Work (C.R.E.W.) Program from California State Association of Counties (CSAC). They were selected for this award classifying CREW as the most innovative government program in the State for 2012. Lucy wanted each department to have possession of the award for a few days before passing it on to the next department.

- a) Lucy commented on a press release regarding additional funding for realignment from Governor Brown which may bring some revenue to our county. She indicated that the staff in their CREW Program have been providing pre-release services inside the jail and then after release. With some extra money they received and the match, they were able to add another six households to their program. They also received a grant for \$70,000 to support a learning center which would provide different services such as life skill classes; GED preparation classes, and different trainings, replicating the Courage To Change curriculum. Lucy explained the Steps Toward Achieving Independency, Responsibility and Self-Sufficiency (STAIRS) program they have started.

Sheriff Jones indicated they have their Electronic Monitoring program running and introduced Deputy Ross who is in charge of the program. He explained the process of the program, and how candidates are evaluated for eligibility. He has three currently on the program with no recidivism thus far. He is also working with HRA and their programs. Deputy Ross has daily contact with these offenders for compliance and testing. Seven other candidates are currently being assessed. Lt. Miranda elaborated on the matter, indicating it was going very smoothly and complimented Deputy Ross for his work. Sheriff Jones indicated as more offenders get released they will need more funds for another deputy. He indicated the ratio should be 10-12 individuals on HEM per deputy. Sheriff Jones also expressed concern over increase health cost, long term care and possible lawsuits that are arising in other jurisdictions based on increased populations. He stated he sees his jail having more state inmates with longer sentences, which places more strain on his correctional staff, as they are forced to deal with this more sophisticated population. He anticipates AB109 stage 2, will be implemented come effective resulting in more California inmates being released. Sheriff Jones also stated he is in the process of doing a needs assessment with the DLR Group and is pleased with them.

Bob Maloney indicated that the biggest problem he is having is the lack of manpower in the D.A.'s Office. There are not enough staff to compensate for his caseload, but he is trying to fine tune his operations.

Scott Gruendl stated that his department has been treating more clients with alcohol and drug issues than with mental health issues.

Brandon Thompson passed out and explained PRCS Offender Data from October 2012 to the present and indicated that he estimates between now and the end of December, we should have between 15 and 22 more people to supervise.

- b) Brandon Thompson passed out the Proposed AB 109 Growth Allocation packet prepared by the CAOAC Realignment Allocation Committee for 2012/2013 & 2013/2014. The budget update adjusts for additional prison population release. There was a discussion that the growth allocation might be one-time money.

Discussion ensued regarding catastrophic expenses.

- c) David Allee from HRA passed out a chart showing the AB 109 statistics on the referred individuals who are now employed with and without STEP. Lucy indicated "STAIRS" will be the second STEP. She further indicated that reduction of staff has started, that Al Scott's hours have been decreased, and they are facing limited resources. She requested the Board to allocate the amount of \$3,685 be awarded to them to sustain CREW staffing levels and Al could remain at his current allocation until July. Sheriff Jones moved to approve said request; Chief Dahl seconded the motion; Scott Gruendl abstained from voting; Albert Smith voted against the augmentation with the remaining executive committee voting in favor; thus the request was approved.

Lucy informed the members that Al Scott has been training to become certified in anger management counseling, but that this would be limited to Glenn County offenders.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Scott Gruendl and seconded by Sheriff Jones. Said motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

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