

**McLean County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council**  
**Executive Committee Meeting**  
**September 19, 2012**

Present: Chief Judge Elizabeth Robb, Judge Robert Freitag, Sheriff Mike Emery, Kim Campbell, Jason Chambers, Greg Allen and William Scanlon

ISU Stevenson Center: Dr. Frank Beck and Dr. Ed Wells

**ISU Stevenson Center Data Report**

Dr. Frank Beck distributed the September 2012 data report. There will be a full report at the October 4 meeting. The Executive Committee reviewed the list of proposed priorities regarding future data analysis. Most of the items can remain on the list, with the following exceptions:

- Bond amount cannot be used as a proxy for severity of charge – there are too many factors which influence bond amounts
- Legislative changes on length of stay may be addressed, but limited to some very specific statutes or cases. The change to making many offenses not eligible for probation or the upgrade of several traffic offenses to Class 4 felonies may be examples of areas to study.

Other areas of study not listed include specialty courts data, and the impact of domestic violence cases on the jail population.

The Stevenson Center will be able to provide a full case disposition report at the December 12 Executive Committee meeting.

**Report on meeting with Latinos For Change**

Judge Freitag reported on the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting with him, representatives of the LUC, Judge Robb and William Scanlon. The group discussed the issue of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainers and some personal experiences of the members of the LUC. Judge Freitag explained that he has examined the issue thoroughly, and still believes it to be a matter of policy strictly for the Sheriff, and a federal issue, neither of which are under the jurisdiction of the CJCC.

Sheriff Emery has reviewed all cases, and believes that there have been a minimal amount of expenditures for the MCJ in these cases. The County has not incurred any expenses for housing prisoners out-of-county for the past 13 months. The Sheriff's office has data regarding the name, arrest charge, booking data and date of transport by ICE. There have been approximately 173 detainers from 15 countries in the jail. WGLT did a study of the information, but the Executive Committee wants independent verification.

A proposal to have the Stevenson Center review the data and report on the number of persons detained, local charges against the defendant, amount of bond, and length of stay under the ICE detainer was approved by the Executive Committee. The goal is to make a full report on the issue at the January 2013 CJCC Council meeting.

There is no current data on the outcomes or disposition for any of these defendants from the Immigration and Customs Enforcement office.

### **Strategic Planning**

Dr. Beck reviewed the preliminary questions he had provided to the group. There was consensus on certain matters, but he needed clarification of some items. Persons still wanting to provide input on the preliminary questions may still forward that information to Dr. Beck at [fdbeck@ilstu.edu](mailto:fdbeck@ilstu.edu).

The group discussed other persons to invite to the strategic planning meeting. Invitations will be extended to Bill Wasson, Lori McCormick, Cathy Waltz and a person to represent the Case Disposition committee. An invitation to all will go out via email today.

The planning session will occur at Illinois State University on Friday, November 16, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

Judge Robb will provide some additional materials via email to review prior to the meeting.

### **October 4 Council Meeting Agenda**

The following items will be included on the October 4 agenda:

- ISU Stevenson Center Data Report
- Introduction of Jason Chambers as State's Attorney elect and his remarks
- Committee Reports (Juvenile Justice, Specialty Courts)
- Report on status of Adult Redeploy Program
- Overview of Strategic Planning session

Adjourned: 8:55 a.m.

### **Next Meetings:**

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| <b>October 4, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.</b>   | <b>CJCC Council Meeting</b>                                |
| <b>November 16, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.</b> | <b>CJCC Executive Committee Strategic Planning Meeting</b> |
| <b>December 12, 2012 at 7:45 a.m.</b> | <b>CJCC Executive Committee meeting</b>                    |