

**McLean County
Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
Meeting Notes**

January 13, 2016

Chief Judge Kevin Fitzgerald welcomed everyone to the Council meeting and led introductions of all present.

ISU Stevenson Center Data Report

Dr. Frank Beck gave an overview of the jail population trend report, bookings trend and length of stay. His analysis:

- Total bookings are lower than any point in time in the past eight (8) calendar years. There are fewer bookings in the following classes – DUI, Misdemeanor, and other.
- Average bed days is lower than the past 8 years, but only due to the decrease in bookings.
- Overall length of stay remains essentially the same over time in most case categories and charge severity. Any increase in bookings will result in an increase in bed days due to the average length of stay remaining constant.
- Total bed days used by felons has increased over the past 8 years from approximately 75% of all beds used by CF cases to almost 90% in calendar year 2015.

Case Processing Time:

- In 2011, the Criminal Division of the Circuit Court adopted case disposition standards which attempted to reduce the processing time of felony cases to approximately 180 days. Dr. Beck has reviewed the average case processing time from January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2010 and the period of January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2015. In review of both time periods, there has been **little change** in the time to dispose of a felony case, with the exception of Class 1 and Class 3 cases.

Dr. Beck reviewed the analysis of jail population with the reporting done by the jail staff. There is a correlation of .9989 between the two reporting methods.

There were questions related to how the bed days used per charge was calculated if the charge is reduced upon plea. Dr. Beck will check the data to determine how bed days and length of stay is calculated when this occurs.

Pretrial Services Assessment (PSA) Pilot

Lori McCormick (Director of Court Services) and Dennis McGuire (Assistant Director) summarized the pilot project occurring in the pre-trial division. The project is a partnership between McLean County, the AOIC and the Arnold Foundation. The pretrial services division is testing an assessment with two other jurisdictions in Illinois. The project began on January 11, 2016.

Legislative Update

William Scanlon distributed a short summary of legislation of interest to the courts. If any person has additions to this list, they are asked to contact him.

Remodel of McLean County Adult Detention Facility

County Administrator Bill Wasson stated that the county has received eight proposals for expansion of the jail, construction of a behavioral health unit and remodel of certain portions of the existing facility. All proposals are under review by the Sheriff, Jail staff, Facilities and other departments. A decision on an architect will be made by the end of February.

The proposals do not include any changes in public transportation options for the building. Those proposals are covered under a Tiger grant through the City of Bloomington.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:37 p.m.

Next Meetings:

CJCC Executive Committee meeting – Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 7:45 a.m.

CJCC Executive Committee meeting – Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 7:45 a.m.

CJCC Executive Committee meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 7:45 a.m.

CJCC Council Meeting – Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 12:00 noon

CJCC Council Meeting – Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at 12:00 noon