



## Criminal Justice Services Governing Board

September 17, 2013 - 2:00 P.M.  
 Cuyahoga County Administration Building  
 Multi-Purpose Room – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

### Meeting Minutes

<b>Members Present</b>	
Edward FitzGerald, Chair	Cuyahoga County Executive
Judge Nancy Fuerst, Co-Chair	Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Presiding & Admin. Judge
C. Ellen Connally	Cuyahoga County Council President
Timothy McGinty	Cuyahoga County Prosecutor
Robert Tobik	Cuyahoga County Public Defender
Frank Bova	Cuyahoga County Sheriff
Judge Ronald Adrine	Cleveland Municipal Court, Presiding & Admin. Judge
Barbara Langhenry	City of Cleveland Law Director
<b>Members Absent</b>	
Chief Michael McGrath	City of Cleveland, Police Chief
Chief Christopher Kostura	Cuyahoga County Police Chief Association
Judge Thomas O'Malley	Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court
Judge Patrick Carroll - RESIGNED	Northern Ohio Municipal Judges Association
Mayor Georgine Welo	Mayors and Managers Association, President

### Agenda Items

#### I. Call to Order

Chairman Ed FitzGerald called the meeting to order; roll was called; quorum present. Noted Judge Patrick Carroll has resigned.

#### II. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2013 meeting made by Ed FitzGerald; seconded by Sheriff Bova; all in favor; none opposed; minutes approved.

#### III. Public Comment – None

#### IV. Committee Reports

##### **Agency Council – Timothy McGinty      Indigent Representation in Cuyahoga County**

Prosecutor McGinty discussed committee representation and objectives in review of indigent client assignment system in Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court. Objectives include but are not limited to best allocation of resources, ensure integrity of the system and fee structure review. Primary goal is to raise the system to national standards in terms of equity and quality of service.

### **Community Council – Craig Tame**

Report on recent committee meetings and subject discussions. Consensus was that justice reform should broaden its outlook to include prevention at the juvenile level through re-entry. Some items noted were enhanced assessment to determine need and risks, improve data collection, expanded use of community based corrections, regional jail and central intake. Sexual assault and juvenile justice reform initiatives were also reported. Planning meeting regarding heroin initiatives scheduled for Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Next Community Council meeting scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Technology Council – Jeff Mowry**

Update on Justice System Reform Dashboard; design finalized in June; presentation of on-line metrics to Agency Council in July for feedback. Site is live on the County's Intranet site. Next phase will refine Q&A portion as data is received for accuracy.

## **V. Court Announcements – Judge Nancy Fuerst**

### Certificate of Qualification for Employment (CQE):

Judge Fuerst explained the civil court proceeding, and application process available to assist persons seeking criminal record expungement for employment purposes in certain areas. Process results in a ruling from the Court for employment fitness. Cases will begin to be heard next month, filing fees to be reviewed.

### Probation Department Changes:

Announced new Chief Probation Officer, Maria Nemec; she is currently Director of the Corrections Planning Board; Deputy Chief to be named soon.

### CourTools / E-Filing Update:

Thomas Arnaut, Director of Information Services, Common Pleas Court, discussed implementation and program feature development for CourTools. E-Filing system is currently accepting Foreclosure filings; continued development of applications and rules for increased filing services and capability.

## **VI. New Business – Chairman Ed FitzGerald**

Prosecutor Tim McGinty and his staff were thanked, as an agreement has been reached with regard to responsibilities on civil representation.

Comment on the CRIS/REDSS fee per moving violation, and municipality disagreements on collection requirements per the previous Ohio Attorney General's opinion. A new OAG opinion has been returned concurring fees to be assessed per moving violation. Fees must be collected consistently per the State Auditor. Courts in non-compliance will be addressed.

Chair FitzGerald thanked all involved with the Delinquent Court Costs Task Force and collection efforts. Judge Adrine gave an update on the Family Justice Center, pending location and services provided.

## **VII. Adjournment**

Chairman FitzGerald moved for adjournment; Judge Fuerst seconded; all in favor; meeting adjourned.

### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday, December 3, 2013 -2:00 PM