



CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD

June 23, 2016 - 2:00 p.m.
Justice Center
Audio-Multipurpose Room-1st Floor
1200 Ontario Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Armond Budish called the meeting to order; members in attendance were acknowledged.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (*February 24, 2016*)

Chairman Budish moved to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2016 meeting, A staff member from the Prosecutor's Office seconded the motion; all in favor; none opposed; minutes approved.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Timothy McGinty discussed Risk Assessment regarding the Bail System and Charging Mechanisms. They are identifying the effects of prolonged lock up on individuals when bail has not been set in a more expeditious time frame.

Duane Deskins discussed the courts efforts towards making better bail decisions and a more effective bond system, at the same time working to ensure the safety of our communities. He also spoke about the color and economic disparities of those who are incarcerated.

Mr. Deskins spoke about creating a process to offer Diversion Programs to more disadvantaged/inner-city youths.

A representative from Judge Russo's court spoke about the creation of a steering committee to appoint chairs. There are four (4) committee's, 1st-Jurisdictional Comparison, 2nd-Policy & Procedures, 3rd-Arrest & Arraignment, 4th-Financial Impact of Application.

A national initiative is being established to take a look at the issue of the mentally ill in the court system.

On March 29, 2016, Danger Assessment Training based on Dr. Jacqueline Campbell's Domestic Violence Risk Assessment, using twenty (20) questions, was taken by prosecutors, police officers and community advocates. The goal is to reduced domestic violence homicides. Offenders will be closely monitored to determine when they will be released and under what conditions.

The City of Cleveland overhauled and created a new code registry for their Weapons Section. The goal is to keep guns out of the hands of minors when not properly supervised. Monitor

licensed gun dealers or large gun shows. A requirement to report a lost or stolen firearm within forty-eight (48) hours to the division of police. A volunteer return of firearms.

Chief Community Safety & Protection Officer, Frank Bova gave an update on the RNC, the grand opening of the Emergency Operations Center at the Juvenile Justice Center and an update the Emergency Operations System.

Sheriff Clifford Pinkney spoke about FEMA Training from the Feds. Also, how to deal with protestors.

Hugh Shannon gave an update on the heroin and fentanyl epidemic and how overdoses have risen from 225 deaths in 2015 to losing a person a day in 2016, which at the time, the number was at 405, with a projected number of 450 deaths this year.

Ruchi Asher spoke about keeping victims of domestic violence personal information and location limited to help ensure their safety. She announced new state laws and house bills; HB171, HB97, HB123 and HB204.

V. OPEN DISCUSSION

None

VI. Chairman Budish moved to adjourn; all were in favor to adjourn

Next Meeting: TBD