

HENNEPIN COUNTY

MINNESOTA

Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: July 25, 2024, | 12-1:30 pm

Location: Government Center – A Level Auditorium (lunch provided)

Committee Members/Representatives Present

Jeff Lunde, Eric Werner (virtual), Dawanna Witt, Chela Guzmán-Wiegert, Michael Berger, Michael Rainville, Kerry Meyer, Mary Moriarty, Todd Fellman, Nikki Appelbaum, Hilary Caligiuri, Sara Gonsalves, Jason Nelson (virtual), Julie Maas-Kusske (virtual).

Staff: Mary Ellen Heng, Susan Winterfeld Thompson, Roberta Groening, Jackie Braun-Lewis

Notes: Qulmie Abdi

Meeting Minutes

5 minutes | Roll Call and Introductions | Approval of Meeting Minutes (May)

Lead: Commissioner Lunde, CJCC Chair

- Commissioner Lunde called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.
- Roll call was taken by Director Heng.
- There was a meeting quorum.
- Approval of meeting minutes (May) – found on CJCC Website.

20 minutes | Legislative Update

Lead: Wanda Cannon, Legislative Coordinator, Hennepin County Intergovernmental Relations

- Wanda provided the CJCC membership with a summary of the completed 2024 Legislative Session.
- 2024 Supplemental Budget Targets - 2024 supplemental budget targets include \$36 million for the judiciary and \$17.9 million for public safety, based on the February Forecast and the Governor's Supplemental Budget.
- 2024 Legislative Session Highlights - Key initiatives from the 2024 session include measures to reduce juvenile delinquency, stricter firearms regulations, a traffic safety camera pilot program and various task forces addressing public safety, health and welfare issues.

- Policy Provisions Summary - New policies include expanding the definition of a victim and establish excited delirium protocols. Other new policies provide support for bystander intervention, streamline post-conviction relief, prohibit deceptive minor interrogations, and criminalize swatting. Further updates improve protective agent transport, protective order processes, and child protections, while corrections policies mandate inmate communication reporting and allow higher education for work release inmates. Judiciary policies protect officials' data and strengthen public defense and competency programs.

60 minutes | Strategic Planning

Lead: Susan Winterfeld Thompson, Senior Strategic Planning Consultant

The Strategic Planning work of the CJCC committee continued at this meeting. The group reviewed the May meeting discussion. The discussion at the July meeting focused on reviewing and receiving feedback on the proposed mission and vision definitions, mission components and vision draft options. Ms. Winterfeld Thompson guided the committee through discussions to finalize these elements.

Members reviewed focus areas, resulting in the identification of key priorities in Behavioral health, Youth/Juvenile Safety and Concerns, Data and Information Sharing, and reviewing the Committee Bylaws. Director Heng shared that sub-committee interest and meetings will start in August beginning with a Bylaws subcommittee to be formed in the coming months.

The group discussed the following guiding principals to aid committee actions; data-informed practices, member collaboration, equity, and building trust. Additional mission statements for consideration were drafted and additional member feedback was solicited.

Draft Mission and Vision definitions were reviewed. The group moved into small groups and utilized notes to capture their ideas. Future work will include prioritizing 3-5 top goals together.

Wrap-up and next steps

Lead: Commissioner Lunde, CJCC Chair

Commissioner Lunde noted next meeting schedule, September 26th and encouraged continued membership engagement.

Director Heng shared that she will be communicating with members to determine willingness for subcommittee participation. The subcommittee work will continue some of the planning and organizing work of the CJCC and meetings to be held between larger group meetings.