

**Prince William County  
Community Criminal Justice Board  
January 28, 2025**

**PARTICIPANTS:** Brad Marshall, Judge Rogers, Yesli Vega, Tony Kostelecky, Dan Manza, Sonia Vasquez Luna, Michael Carlson, Tara Moore-Petty, Brandon Dudley, Kristin Marbury, Terry Fearnley, Levi Bass, Phyllis Jennings, Kim Keller, Tracey Lenox, Eugene Brown, Tauheeda Yasin, George Hurlock

**STAFF:** Steve Austin, Tomaudrie Thomas, Amal Hajjami, Ann Trullender and Wendy Dempsey

**CITIZEN:** Eugene Brown, Alan Gloss

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

**CHAIRPERSON’S COMMENTS (Item 1)**

Chairperson Brad Marshall declared the meeting underway with a quorum. He welcomed members and thanked those in attendance. He thanked outgoing members Keith Nguyen, the Manassas Park government, and Shante Jones, Manassas Park citizen member, for their contributions and services to the board. At the next meeting a proposal will be discussed to reevaluate the date CCJB meetings will take place. In the past they have been on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the quarter but because it conflicts with the County Board of Supervisors it makes scheduling difficult.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)**

Chairperson Marshall asked for a motion to approve the agenda. **The motion was made by Yesli Vega and seconded by Michael Carlson. The motion was passed unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)**

Chairperson Marshall requested a motion to approve the October 22, 2024, meeting minutes. **The motion was made by Tony Kostelecky and was seconded by Yesli Vega. Members voted, and the motion was passed unanimously.**

**CITIZENS TIME (Item 4)** – *None.*

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE GRANTS (Item 5)** reported by *Captain Tara Moore-Petty, Manassas City Police Department*

On June 10, 2024, the Manassas City Police Department was awarded a grant from the Office of Justice Assistance for another canine. Currently the MC Police Department has two canines, both narcotics and patrol, and a third canine has been approved. The new canine just finished school for patrol aspects and in March he will be going to explosive device school.

## **VOTE ON CHAIRPERSON AND CO-CHAIR (Item 6)**

Chairperson Marshall reported that the Nomination Committee communicated by email and there was one nomination for each position. The nomination for Chairperson was Brad Marshall and the nomination for Vice Chair was Yesli Vega. Chairperson Marshall called for any nomination from the floor and heard none. Chairperson Marshall proposed putting forward the nominees as one slate, being no objections. **Members voted, and the motion was passed unanimously.** Chairperson Marshall thanked the members of the Nominating Committee, Dr. Yasin and Dan Manza.

## **COORDINATED RESPONSE MAPPING (ITEM 7)** *reported by Tauheeda Yasin, Ph.D., Safety Administrator, Office of Community Safety*

- Dr. Yasin provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Board. It was shared with members by email after the meeting. She provided an update on the work since its inception over a year-and-a-half.
- The focus is on creating a coordinated response involving various agencies to address crime, social issues, and overall community safety.
- They employ a two-pronged approach: proactive measures for prevention and intervention, and reactive responses for individuals in crisis.
- Currently, the office is initiating a Domestic Violence Fatality Review to evaluate responses to intimate partner violence, with a new coordinator leading the effort.
- She reported that they are also mapping crisis response efforts involving police and emergency services to improve coordination and information sharing during crisis. A key initiative is the development of a Neighborhood Safety Index, which will assess crime rates alongside protective factors within communities, guiding investment in public resources like parks and community services.
- Overall, the goal is to enhance real-time responses to safety concerns and build a stronger infrastructure for community support.
- Dr. Yasin thanked Steve Austin, Tomaudrie Thomas and Amal Hajjami for their EBDM work as the foundation for the work that her office is doing.

## **EVIDENCE-BASED DECISION MAKING (EBDM & PUBLIC SAFETY ASSESSMENT (PSA) UPDATE (Item 8)** *reported by Steve Austin and Tomaudrie Thomas, CJS*

- Steve Austin provides an overview of EBDM and its impact on various Criminal Justice initiatives. The EBDM committee has been meeting since 2015 and meets regularly to review data and make informed decisions
- Many initiatives were born out of EBDM, the Data Dashboard, the Neighborhood Index, and the peer recovery mapping, which has been a robust project that involves all these different entities and GIS
- Subcommittees include a Mental Health SUD Subcommittee, and this subcommittee includes several workgroups focused on: Prevention/Education/Communication, Peer Support, Data Collection/Evaluation, Community Resources/Reducing Barriers, and Advocacy/ Legislation. EBDM is helping us accomplish our goals.

- Steve Austin discussed the focus on an updated action plan from a 2021 Sequential Intercept Mapping project. The created resource list for mental health and substance abuse services in Northern Virginia, utilizing GIS mapping to help citizens locate these resources.
- Additionally, a peer drop-in center is planned by Community Services at the new Woodbridge location, with updates on George Mason University's successful Peer Program internship.
- The ADC has provided medication-assisted treatment (MAT) to over 1,300 individuals, with positive diversion rates reported.
- Updates on specialty dockets included graduations from the Adult Recovery Court on April 10, 2025, and Veterans' Treatment docket graduation on April 16, 2025, along with data showing successful outcomes despite some challenges.
- Veterans Treatment Docket has had 19 graduates, one neutral discharge and two terminations from the program since its inception. The majority of the offenses are driving while intoxicated.
- CJS has hired a Recovery Court Coordinator, Sarah Allen, to take over the program from Chris Mayers who has been acting as Recovery Court Coordinator as well as the Veteran's Treatment Docket Coordinator. Efforts are underway to reduce the wait times for recovery court program entry, currently at about 70 days, with a goal of 40 days.
- The ADC also reported progress on the re-entry center, which is helping individuals transitioning out of the facility.
- Tomaudrie Thomas concluded with updates on the integration of the Public Safety Assessment instrument and ongoing quality assurance processes. We are meeting with local judges for feedback.
- Brad Marshall added that there is a bill with bipartisan support to allow for felony jurisdictions where there is not a Veterans Docket in Circuit Court to allow those cases to be supervised by the General District Court Docket and that should open the numbers on Veterans Docket.

**ANNUAL REPORT (Item 9)** reported by *Amal Hajjami, Senior Public Safety Analyst, CJS*

- A copy of the Annual Report FY 2024 was included in the packet for the meeting
- The annual report highlights several key accomplishments and initiatives in the agency's programs, including intensive community supervision (ICS), pre-trial supervision, local offenders' probation, and domestic violence.
- Notable achievements include an 83% success rate in probation clients avoiding reoffending and 2,292 hours of community service performed by probationers.
- The agency engaged in community outreach activities, such as National Night Out, and collaborated with George Mason University on initiatives targeting opioid use disorders.
- Key initiatives included implementing the Public Safety Assessment (PSA) tool, which replaced the previous risk assessment method to streamline pre-trial processes without requiring interviews.
- The agency also introduced the Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment (ODARA) tool to better assess domestic violence cases.
- CJS expanded specialized dockets, such as the Veteran Treatment Docket and Adult Recovery Court, which focuses on treatment for individuals with drug-related offenses.

- In terms of program data, the ICS program supervised 160 clients, our agency saved 18,857 jail beds and helped to manage the jail population. The pre-trial supervision program conducted 2,326 interviews, managing a daily caseload of 548 defendants.
- There was a slight decrease in court appearance and compliance rates.
- Steve Austin added that CJS recently implemented a graduated sanctions incentive grid, and the data is not yet available.
- Overall, Criminal Justice Services remains committed to public safety, effective supervision, and community engagement.

**DCJS QUARTERLY REPORT (ITEM 10)** reported by *Tomaudrie Thomas*; see attached draft DCJS packet, which is the 2nd Quarter report dated October through December 2024

*As a pilot site, the report is in the old format from the VPRAI, not formatted for the PSA yet*

- Total case count numbers 1352: LOP cases 433; Pretrial cases: 919
- Pretrial investigations rate: 84% (interviews conducted)
- Cases released on unsecured bond or recognizance: 95%
- Pretrial Appearance Rates: 81%
- Public Safety Rate for Pretrial is 91%
- Compliance Rate is 82%

**Probation data: 433 cases**

- Tomaudrie Thomas: Probation data shows 93% of placements are misdemeanors
- She provided an update on the success rate of the probation program, with a 70% success rate for misdemeanors and 43% for felony cases, and a combined 86.5% public safety rate without new arrests
- Compliance rate is 75.5% for probation cases that are closed
- Chairperson Brad Marshall mentioned the public safety rate is up measurably.

**ROUND TABLE TOPICS MEMBERS (Item 11)**

Brad Marshall: Next meeting to discuss changing the meeting dates of CCJB.

Steve Austin: The General Assembly session has not introduced any significant bills impacting our offices, although a concerning Senate Bill related to judicial officers, including magistrates, was proposed. This bill required certain services that were unfunded, leading to its indefinite postponement.

Kim Keller: Our office is fully staffed.

Eugene Brown confirmed with Steve Austin: Veterans Docket graduation is April 16, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNED (Item 12)**

Chairperson Marshall asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **The motion was made by Yesli Vega and seconded by Tracey Lenox. The motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m.**

The next meeting is scheduled for:

April 22, 2025  
5 p.m.