



# Local Public Safety Coordinating Council Executive Committee

***Tuesday, April 6, 2010  
7:30 to 9:00 a.m.  
Multnomah Building - Room 315  
501 S.E. Hawthorne Blvd.***

**Introductions, Announcements & Approval  
of the March 2, 2010 Meeting Minutes**  
*Chair Dan Saltzman*

5 minutes

**Future Direction of LPSCC and Survey Results**  
*Co-Chairs Dan Saltzman & Judy Shiprack*

30 minutes

**Reports from Committees and Workgroups**

10 minutes

Reentry Council  
*Sheriff Dan Staton & Scott Taylor*

Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team  
*Judge Jean Maurer & Commissioner Diane McKeel*

Mental Health & Public Safety Subcommittee  
*Judge Julie Frantz & Joanne Fuller*

Other Workgroups with Updates  
*Council Members*

**Mental Health and Addiction Services:  
Biennial Implementation Plan**  
*Karl Brimmer*

10 minutes

**Budget Roundtable: Local and State Changes**  
*Council Members*

15 minutes

**NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010**



# LPSCC

## Executive Committee Meeting

### *Summary Minutes for April 6, 2010*

#### **I. Introductions, Announcements, and Approval of Minutes**

##### **LPSCC Executive Committee**

###### **Members In Attendance**

Portland City Commissioner Dan  
Saltzman, LPSCC Co-Chair  
Multnomah County Commissioner Judy  
Shiprack, LPSCC Co-Chair  
Suzanne Bonamici, State Senator  
Lane Borg, Director, Metropolitan Public  
Defenders  
Karl Brimner, Director, County Mental  
Health Services  
Judge Julie Frantz, Chief Criminal Court  
Judge  
Captain Tim Gerkman, Gresham Police  
Judy Hadley, Citizen  
Dwight Holton, Acting U. S. Attorney  
Judge Jean Maurer, Presiding Circuit  
Diane McKeel, Multnomah County  
Commissioner, District #4  
Chiquita Rollins, Domestic Violence  
Coordinator  
Michael Schunk, District Attorney  
Chip Shields, State Representative  
Chief Rosie Sizer, Portland Police  
Dan Staton, Multnomah County Sheriff  
Dan Swift, Oregon State Police  
Scott Taylor, Director, Department of  
Community Justice  
Judge Nan Waller, Chief Family Court  
Judge

###### **LPSCC Staff**

Peter Ozanne, Executive Director  
Elizabeth Davies, Public Safety System  
Analyst  
Tom Bode, Intern

##### **Other Attendees**

Drew Brosh, MCSO  
Jann Brown, DCJ  
Gayle Burrow, Corrections Health  
Nancy Cozine, Oregon Judicial  
Department  
Sharon Darcy, Pathfinders Oregon  
Sean Files, Commissioner McKeel's  
Office  
Carl Goodman, DCJ  
Joyce Griffin, MCSO  
Jay Heidenrich, MCSO  
Dara Iamsongserm, PSU Grad Student  
Barry Jennings, Oregon Judicial  
Department  
Dave Koch, DCJ  
Matthew Lashua, Commissioner  
Shiprack's Office  
Bobbi Luna, MCSO  
Shea Marshman, County Auditor's Office  
Tim Moore, MCSO  
Elise Nicholson, County IT  
Matt O'Keefe, DCJ-CANS  
Christine Pedersen, Oregon Judicial  
Department  
Charlene Rhyne, DCJ  
Corie Wiren, Commissioner McKeel's  
Office

Council members approved the March 2, 2010 minutes.

## II. Future Direction of LPSCC and Survey Results

Peter Ozanne and Elizabeth Davies presented the results of the LPSCC survey of Executive Committee Members. With a 60% participation rate, the survey indicated about two-thirds of the respondents felt positive about LPSCC meetings and the group's function. Critical responses pointed to discussions that were cut too short to be meaningful, lack of transparency in setting the agenda, and general difficulties with collaboration and communication. The largest challenge for LPSCC is the workgroups, which often take time to develop clear goals and objectives, an expected timeline for project completion / landmarks, and a system for implementing findings. After LPSCC staff presented the results, they invited a discussion from the group.

### *Role of LPSCC in Policy Debates*

Lane Borg suggested that LPSCC be a forum for vigorous discussion that reflect the varied views and opinions of the Council's diverse membership without expecting the group to formally and collectively endorse policy recommendations. LPSCC Chair Dan Saltzman concurred and noted that this suggestion seemed to be the consensus from the previous meeting. Peter Ozanne said that he and his staff would work with the Board of County Commissioners, City Council and other governing bodies to ensure that LPSCC had more opportunities to offer direct input into policy issues. To this end, Chief Rosie Sizer remarked that it would be helpful to receive notice of relevant public safety hearings and presentations at the County, City and State. Lane Borg commented that by the end of the year, the Council may be better able to review its work and decide its direction and future relationship with the Board.

### *Additional LPSCC Focus Areas*

LPSCC members discussed the formation of additional subcommittees or workgroups in 2010. Judge Nan Waller and Scott Taylor discussed possible reductions to the state budget in the upcoming biennium, the system imbalance that might arise from those cuts, and how a systemic "stream of offenders" analysis might help to identify and correct gaps in services. They felt that a smaller group could better address these issues and bring the results back to LPSCC. Chiquita Rollins added that it would be helpful to see an analysis of the relationship between crime and budget or service cuts. LPSCC members supported the formation of a work group focused on coordinating local policies and programs in anticipation of additional state cuts in the next biennium; Chair Saltzman directed the creation of a Budget Systems Workgroup to exist alongside LPSCC's other subcommittees. Membership would be decided outside of the LPSCC meeting.

### *LPSCC Grant Program*

Peter Ozanne discussed a proposed LPSCC "grant program," which would devote \$100,000 of LPSCC's one-time carryover funds (accumulated in LPSCC's budget over several years) to support interagency projects conducted by the Council's working groups and affiliated committees. Council members discussed whether to disburse the money in one lump sum or to grant several smaller awards; they decided to leave that question open until they could evaluate the proposals. Council members discussed the merits of awarding the money to programs that previously existed but had been cut for lack of funding, while encouraging innovation through new programs and proposals. District Attorney Mike Schrunk asked if this funding source would continue; Peter Ozanne responded that he expects LPSCC to continue to generate a surplus due to reductions in personnel and use of consulting services for reports, but proposed reserving this money to pay for technology upgrades to the DSS-J

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system. Lane Borg suggested that a smaller group might be better suited to act as a review and selection committee for proposals. Ozanne suggested that such a subcommittee consist of 5 to 7 members. Commissioner Diane McKeel advised that the committee also develop a clear set of criteria for gauging the merits of each proposal and for making award decisions.

#### *LPSCC Year End Report*

Peter Ozanne requested that LPSCC formally approve the LPSCC 2009 Year End Report. Mike Schrunk moved to approve the report; it passed with an amendment that Victim Services information be added to the summary of Public Safety Budgets included in Appendix B.

### **III. Reports from Committees and Workgroups**

#### *Reentry Council*

Sheriff Dan Stanton and Scott Taylor discussed the recent work of the County's Reentry Council. The Council has selected a sub-group of inmates on which to focus its efforts and is currently gathering data to better understand the needs of this population. Taylor also noted that the Council has reviewed information on Cook County's "Jail Data Link" project and is considering its applicability in Multnomah County. In support of this effort, Liv Jenssen, DCJ Transition Services, has formed a smaller workgroup to coordinate information gathering and organized a presentation by Cook County officials earlier this year. Scott also mentioned the new Reentry Transition Center, operated by Mercy Corps, which offers planning, guidance and suggested resources to formerly incarcerated individuals.

#### *Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team*

Judge Jean Maurer presented a 2009 report from the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team, which included six recommendations on ways to prevent domestic violence fatalities: 1) More effective response from people and institutions suspecting abuse; 2) Improved communication across systems; 3) Enhanced ability to identify and track high-risk cases; 4) Improved victim access to a domestic violence service; 5) Improved information for professionals; and 6) Identify and fill gaps in existing system. The team plans to review two cases of domestic fatalities this year and issue a report on their findings. Chiquita Rollins alerted Council members that there have been six domestic violence deaths this year in Multnomah County.

#### *Mental Health & Public Safety Subcommittee*

Judge Julie Frantz reported that the Mental Health Court currently has 32 clients and saw its first graduation in January. Despite the Court's success, there remains an ongoing need for housing for clients who go through the program. The Court has applied for federal housing grants and met with members of Oregon's Congressional delegation; they received positive feedback about their grant applications and expect to receive some of the grant. Judge Frantz also described an upcoming planning session, facilitated by the Gains Center, designed to help stakeholders identify gaps in the intersection of mental health and public safety and develop short- and long-term, evidence based solutions. This symposium will take place next Tuesday and Wednesday (April 13-14) and includes 39 stakeholders, including six consumers.

#### **IV. Mental Health and Addiction Services: Biennial Implementation Plan**

Karl Brimner presented the biennial, state-required report that catalogues programs in the Mental Health and Addiction Service Division that receive state funding. He explained that this year's report was similar to those seen by the Council in previous years. LPSCC Chair Judy Shiprack asked how many mental health services provided by the county are accessed by criminal justice involved persons versus the general population. Brimner responded that the majority of services are actually accessed *outside* of the criminal justice system, citing a penetration rate of 12 percent in Multnomah County (compared to the national standard of 8-10%). In light of earlier conversations, Chair Shiprack would like to see an analysis of the relationship between domestic violence deaths and mental health or addiction issues.

#### **V. Budget Roundtable**

Judge Maurer spoke about new Court fees designed to augment state funding. The courts began collecting the fees in October. The gross revenue of the fees will affect the court budget and the budget for indigent defense. Currently, the fees collected are 60% of what was anticipated.

#### **VI. Other business**

U.S. Attorney Dwight Holton discussed the heroin problem in Multnomah County. The death rate from heroin in Multnomah County is currently about three times the homicide rate. Federal prosecutors leverage the Len Bias statute, which makes it a 20 year mandatory minimum sentence to be in the distribution chain of narcotics that lead to a death. Federal prosecutors are working with local law enforcement and prosecutors to get more local convictions for heroin traffickers.

Holton also described how the heroin problem has grown in Oregon and Multnomah County with the emergence of "Black Tar" Heroin and the "Pizza Delivery" model of drug distribution (low prices and easy availability). He added that the drugs available today are more potent and more volatile in potency than in the past and that this particular drug problem cuts across race and class, demonstrated by the deaths at Reed College. Furthermore, the distribution networks for Black Tar heroin are not drug cartels but families that deal to non-black, non-Hispanic young people to stay out of the way of the cartels. Holton said that he doesn't believe the growth of heroin is due to a reduction in Meth availability; rather, the down economy increases drug use. Chief Sizer commented that her department is seeing more meth labs and that the meth problem may be returning. Council members briefly discussed the challenge of providing treatment for heroine addictions that prevents relapse.

Holton and District Attorney Schrunk both noted that they prefer solving the problem on the front end through community based support, treatment programs, and social programs that keep youth in school, and they value LPSCC meetings which unite the "front" and "back" end solutions to the heroin problem in the same room. Chair Shiprack considered the formation of a fatal incident review board, along the model of the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team, in order to increase knowledge and education about the drug problem.

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