

LPSCC

Local Public Safety Coordinating Council
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

LPSCC Executive Meeting

Summary Minutes for March 11, 2019

Attendees

LPSCC Executive Committee Members

Chair Deborah Kafoury, LPSCC Co-Chair

Gunnar Browning, Oregon Youth Authority
Hon. Stephen Bushong Presiding Judge
Jan Elfers, Community Representative
Lisa Hay, Federal Public Defender
Carl Macpherson, Metropolitan Public Defenders
Sheriff Mike Reese, Multnomah County
Chief Robin Sells, Gresham Police Department

LPSCC Executive Committee Member Representatives

Jeff Howes, District Attorney's Office
Suzanne Hayden, US Attorney's Office
Chuck Lovell, Portland Police Bureau
Jay Scroggin, Dept of Community Justice

Other Attendees

Paul Anthony, Portland Public Schools
Jeston Black, Government Relations John Casalino, MCDA
Audrey Engle, Metropolitan Public Defenders
Cory Falls, City of Gresham
Mary Geelan, DCJ Juvenile Services
Captain Claudio Grandjean, Gresham Police Department
Jason Heilbrun, County IT
Olivia Lucero, Lutheran Family Services
Barbara Marcille, Oregon Judicial Department
Marcia Perez, DCJ Juvenile Services
Marc Rose, County Auditor
Kathy Sevos, Volunteers of America Oregon
Kathryn Sofich, Dept of Community Justice

LPSCC Staff

Abbey Stamp, Executive Director
Sarah Mullen, SJC Project Manager
Lily Yamamoto, JRI Project Manager
Christina Youssi, LPSCC Executive Assistant

Introductions, Announcements, and Approval of Minutes

Introductions were made.

Announcements

- Judge Bushong noted the co-chairs of Ways & Means issued a proposed budget, which caused concern for the Judicial Branch. The budget will not restore lost positions or fund any new policy packages.
- Jan Elfers announced Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon is hosting a summit in Eugene to equip and support people impacted by the criminal justice system.
<http://emoregon.org/event/htc/>
- Abbey Stamp announced LPSCC is applying for an Arnold Ventures grant for about \$400,000 to study Failure to Appear (FTA) rates which will help us design specific interventions to decrease FTAs.

The [January minutes](#) were approved.

Square One Project and the What Works in Public Safety Conference

Abbey Stamp gave an update on the annual What Works Conference. The conference will take place September 30th at the Holiday Inn in Wilsonville. The conference brings ideas from the Executive Session of the the [Square One Project](#), launched by the Columbia Justice Lab. Abbey noted the disconnect between the think tanks/academics and practitioners. Abbey invited Dr. Bruce Western, Columbia Justice Lab co-director, to speak. A lot of our decisions are constrained by

fiscal year and biennial budget processes; let's ask ourselves what we want the justice system to look like in 5-10 years?

The following was discussed:

- Question: What do we want to get out of the conference? A strategic plan?
- Judge Bushong noted a similar task force involving the Civil Justice System. Are we assuming current budget constraints or sky's the limit?
- The audience is tri-county commissioners and LPSCC and legislators.
- Sheriff Mike Reese suggested leading with visionary statements to consider, and keeping it high-level.
- Kathy Sevos asked the Network of Behavioral Healthcare Providers be involved.

Legislative Priorities

Jeston Black, Government Relations Director, gave an update on the Multnomah County legislative agenda. Jeston acknowledged there will be a lot of cuts to funding.

The County's priorities include:

- Safety Net Programs
- Take Action on Housing and Homelessness, which includes a budget ask
- Improve Behavioral Health
- Targeted State funding and services
- Fune Public Health Modernization
- Permanent Supportive Housing.

For details and other important issues, see the [Multnomah County 2019 State Legislative Agenda](#).

There was discussion around the status of the Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle HB3238. Will there be a day to discuss DV and other family issues?

Body Worn Cameras

Gresham Police Department's Captain Claudio Grandjean noted GPD received a grant through DOJ to pilot Body Worn Cameras. The grant is matched by the City and covers camera cost and storage, if bundled.

The Policy Development Committee included training, union, DA's office, and administration. Once policy was in place, GPD needed to select a vendor. GPD is currently field testing one vendor per month. Fourteen officers from different shifts are testing cameras, and testing should be complete by May 1. A vendor should be selected by July 2019. Implementation will be phased in by units and shifts, and will be fully deployed by Fall 2019. Gresham will need to create a data manager position to handle records and evidence.

There are capacity issues with redaction: Every minute of footage requires about 6-12 minutes of post production editing.

The following points were discussed:

- Police will redact for public records request, but will release raw footage to the District

Attorney.

- Gresham has cameras turned on for every contact. The exception is some discretion for officers to turn off cameras for privacy concerns.
- These records must be kept for at least 180 days but no more than 30 days.
- Abbey Stamp noted the launch of a workgroup to identify a county-wide policies.
- GPD acknowledges they need to be flexible enough to adjust policies.

The meeting was adjourned.