



Justice Reinvestment Advisory Board



Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2017

The Justice Reinvestment Advisory Board meeting was held on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at the Judicial College Education and Conference Center in Annapolis. The meeting was called to order at 2:25 pm by Judge Daniel M. Long who presides as the Chairman. This meeting was attended by the following Advisory Board members: Anthony Washington, AFSCME; Nicholas Charles Katz, CASA de Maryland; Toni Holness, ACLU of Maryland; Carlos Acosta, Prince George's County Police Department; Alicia Leibowitz Bickoff, Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence; Asha S. Reynolds, Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault; Crista Taylor, Behavioral Health System Baltimore; Cailey Locklair, Maryland Retailers Association; Caryn York, Job Opportunities Task Force; Bill Gaertner, Gatekeepers. The meeting was also attended by Oversight Board member Glenn Fueston, Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention.

Those not present: June White Dillard, NAACP; David Vosvick, Baltimore Gas & Electric

I. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 1:12 PM by Judge Long as he welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Advisory Board. Judge Long discussed passage of the bill, stating that it received bi-partisan support and is a groundbreaking piece of legislation with effort from all three branches of government. He then asked everyone to go around the table and introduce themselves.

II. Presentation on the Justice Reinvestment Initiative

Janet Lane, Director of Justice Reinvestment at Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention presented on the history of the Justice Reinvestment bill discussing the need to do something better with our money to improve prisons and reduce the prison population. She talked about her role as a coach, to keep the collaboration going and address any obstacles. Janet also mentioned the need to understand what is going on inside the prison and compile data from the inside out.

Don Hogan gave a powerpoint presentation on sentencing changes as a result of the bill, and mandatory minimum reconsiderations. Glenn Fueston discussed the analysis and implementation of JRI, and the need to make recommendations as well as the impact of the programs. Mr. Fueston also stated the need to build an infrastructure for the easy collection of data, as well as identifying outcome measures. Judge Long recommended for everyone to take some time to read the bill if they have not already, and the need for communication and collaboration of the local government. There was general discussion among the board members regarding implementation of the JRA.

VI. Conclusion



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Mr. Hogan addressed that changes will take effect October 1st. The next Advisory Board meeting has not been scheduled yet. Judge Long adjourned the meeting at 2:51 PM.