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El Paso County Community Corrections Board
MINUTES
May 9, 2018

Board members present: Mark Allison, William Bain, Stephen Sletta, Janice Hellman, Catherine Buckley, Kim Kitchen, Rose Roy, Lori Griffith, Jennifer Dabros, Michael Brundage, Michele Legette, Amy Sullivan, and Kim Whisenhunt

Excused absence: James Kelly, Rafael Chanza and Lari Hanenberg

Unexcused absence:

Staff present: Scot Smith, Megan Nelius, Lori Seago, Christine Burns

Guests present: Charity Bellerdine, Community Alternatives of El Paso County (CAE)
DeAnna Stalbert, CAE
Gerald McCormac, ComCor, Inc. (CCI)
Hillary Johnson, CCI
Maurice Motley, CCI
Teresa Meza, Gateway
Tina Zamora

1. **Rose Roy, Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.**

2. **Attendance:**

   a. Introduction of members, guests, and new members.
   b. Ratified absences for current and future meetings.

3. **Minutes:**

   a. Stephen Sletta moved to approve the screening reports and minutes as corrected for the meetings of April 4, 11, 18 and 25 in calendar year 2018. Judge Sletta asked that we correct his proxy's name from last meeting from Lauren Findorff to Laura Findorff. Kim Kitchen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Case Review:** No discussion concerning cases on the ballot.

5. **Program Reports:**

   a. Jerry McCormac reported for ComCor, Inc.: Mr. McCormac stated client savings have increased from $2,500 in November 2017 to $67,000 in April 2018; that ComCor's diversion client success rate was 60% success rate, transition client success rate at 61% and out of district placement success rate at 66%. Mr. McCormac reported that escapes are down 14% from the previous month with only five escapes in April. It was also reported that positive UAs have decreased. Mr. McCormac reported that ComCor, Inc. vacated the Kelly Johnson office and moved to a new corporate office on Mark Dabling. Mr. McCormac responded to questions from Stephen Sletta regarding drug treatment at ComCor. Mr. McCormac reported that the Robert's Road facility was fully staffed, that Carrie Gavitt operates an efficient and effective 90-Day RDDT and IRT program; that program managers provide a structured environment producing strong client buy-in for treatment. William Bain asked about the increase in client savings at ComCor. Mr. McCormac stated that it is due to changes implemented in the collection process, the reduction in rent, and holding clients accountable to their budget. Mr. McCormac stated savings are separate and not included in restitution. Mr. McCormac responded to

questions from the Board about staff turnover and stated that ComCor, Inc. was three weeks away from launching CorrectTech.

b. Charity Bellerdine reported for CAE: Mrs. Bellerdine reported that clients paid $17,000 in restitution and that there was one escape. Mrs. Bellerdine stated that the facility hosted a successful Restorative Justice Re-Entry Circle and that the facility plans to host a Victim Impact Restorative Justice Circle facilitated by the Pikes Peak Restorative Justice Coalition. Charity stated that Parole visited the facility and discussed with residents how to be successful on Parole. Mrs. Bellerdine provided an overview of the challenges with Condition of Parole clients; that Parole Officers have limited options for placement of parolees with parole violations; that community correction facilities have less ability to address this population. Mrs. Bellerdine asked the Board to consider the circumstance of clients on a Condition of Parole placement when evaluating escape rates and asked the Board to review the client highlight section of the monthly vendor report.

c. Theresa Meza reported for Gateway: Ms. Meza stated Gateway currently has six participants, with one a Diversion client from CAE; that Gateway had one successful and one unsuccessful termination. Ms. Meza stated that program staff are working on obtaining approval for Vivitrol, a medication assistance, replacement program for opiate and alcohol addiction.

6. **Department Reports:**

a. Financial Report: Scot Smith reported that overall community corrections is 81.8% spent on the DCJ contract, which was 2.5% overspent for the fiscal year. ComCor, Inc. was 3.9 % overspent, that Community Alternatives of El Paso County was 6.05 % underspent, and that Gateway was 5.41% underspent. Mr. Smith reported that significant change in percentages from the previous month was likely due to the increase in transition funds allocation from DCJ.

b. Escape Report: Scot Smith reported that to date there was a 13.3% escape rate for Diversion clients and a 9.9% escape rate for Transition clients. The successful completion rates to date were 54.2% for Diversion clients and 54.5% for Transition clients.

c. Staff Report: Christine Burns reported that HB18-1251 passed and sent to the Governor for signature; that from this bill local Boards must create and use a transition-screening guide; that Boards must provide to the Department of Corrections reasons for denial of a transition client; and that DCJ must provide training to Boards. Stephen Sletta and Charity Bellerdine stated that other jurisdictions are currently using a screening guide. Mrs. Burns announced the June Colorado Association of Community Corrections Boards (CACCB) annual meeting; that Janice Hellman, Michele Legette and James Patrick Kelly along with Scot Smith and Christine Burns will attend; and that Mr. Kelly will be the official voting delegate. Mrs. Burns thanked the Board for their patience during the recent move to an encrypted email service for Board packets. Mrs. Burns thanks the vendors for their continued work to provide strong client outcomes.

7. **Other Reports: None**

8. **Old Business:**

a. FY18/19 Allocation Subcommittee Update and Allocation Recommendation: Scot Smith provided an update from the Allocation Subcommittee. Mr. Smith stated that the sub-committee held a third meeting; that committee members were recommending the allocation remain at a 60/40 split between ComCor and CAE; that beds awarded above last year's funding amount be split 50/50 between ComCor and CAE and that Gateway continue to have 10 beds funded. Stephen Sletta moved to approve the allocation and Catherine Buckley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Facility Payment – Community Alternatives (CAE): Stephen Sletta moved to pay the 2nd half facility payment to CAE and Kim Kitchen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

c. Facility Payment – ComCor, Inc. (CCI): Stephen Sletta moved to pay the 2nd half facility payment to CCI and Kim Kitchen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. **New Business**

a. CACCB Executive Committee Membership: Mrs. Burns stated that the Colorado Association of Community Corrections Boards seeks members of Colorado Community Corrections Boards to fill vacant leadership positions and encouraged Board members to consider a position.

b. CCI Staff Hiring Waiver Request: Mr. McCormac responded to questions from the Board and Staff. Mr. McCormac stated that a conditional offer was made to the candidate and that ComCor will submit a fingerprint card to the Office of Community Corrections. Stephen Sletta moved and Catherine Buckley seconded the motion to approve the staff hiring waiver request from ComCor, Inc. to employ Robert Joslyn. The motion passed 12-0-1.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Scot Smith, El Paso County Community Corrections Program Supervisor
Community Services Department

Confirmed:

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Rosalie Roy, Vice-Chair
El Paso County Community Corrections Board

El Paso County Community Corrections Board
Electronic Screening Minutes
May 2, 2018

Staff present: Megan Nelius
Others present:

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

1. Ballots: Megan Nelius tabulated ballots.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Megan Nelius
Community Corrections Specialist
Community Outreach Division

Confirmed:

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James Kelly, Chair
El Paso County Community Corrections Board

El Paso County Community Corrections Board
Electronic Screening Minutes
May 16, 2018

Staff present: Megan Nelius
Others present:

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

1. Ballots: Megan Nelius tabulated ballots.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Megan Nelius
Community Corrections Specialist
Community Outreach Division

Confirmed:

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James Kelly, Chair
El Paso County Community Corrections Board

El Paso County Community Corrections Board
Electronic Screening Minutes
May 23, 2018

Staff present: Megan Nelius
Others present:

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

1. Ballots: Megan Nelius tabulated ballots.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Megan Nelius
Community Corrections Specialist
Community Outreach Division

Confirmed:

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James Kelly, Chair
El Paso County Community Corrections Board

El Paso County Community Corrections Board
Electronic Screening Minutes
May 30, 2018

Staff present: Megan Nelius
Others present:

The meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m.

1. Ballots: Megan Nelius tabulated ballots.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Megan Nelius
Community Corrections Specialist
Community Outreach Division

Confirmed:

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James Kelly, Chair
El Paso County Community Corrections Board