

MEETING MINUTES



SJC LEADERSHIP MEETING

Date: September 7, 2023

Time: 3:11pm

Meeting called to order by: Donna Jo Maki

IN ATTENDANCE

Sgt. James Yanecek, Donna Jo Maki, Margaret Fontana, Joy Gossman, D/C Nick Kalfas, Gene Marceron, Holly Kerr, Todd Schroeder

DISCUSSION

1. CJCC Strategy ByLaws Update was provided. There was a discussion on defining new steering committee members that are justice impacted or formerly incarcerated. A concern was raised about formerly incarcerated (anywhere or only Lake County) or persons with pending cases on the steering committee with Justice Officials. Also, there is potential to remove the elected and appointed officials (except the Chair) from the steering committee to an advisory committee. It is anticipated that the current size of 12 members on the steering committee could be from 11 to 13 members.
2. Save the date of December 7, 2023 for the Virtual SJC Network Annual Meeting. All were encouraged to consider proposing a panel discussion at the network meeting to elevate and amplify their strategies.
3. Pretrial Fairness Act: Jail Reduction Impact, Implementation Issues and Needs was discussed. There is potential for a court watching program to be launched in Lake County similar to 70 other counties in Illinois. New data recording will be required. E-Court will be capable of providing the number of detention petitions filed. There was a discussion of the PFA causing an increase in no-cost electronic monitoring and little impact to the jail population. It was noted that court filings and public defender appointments are increasing in 2023. Both the COAST and LRWC strategies are seeking additional clinicians. 200 unique individuals were guests at the LRWC in the first 6 months of 2023 with an average 5.5 hours stay. Capacity and expansion were discussed.
4. There was a report on Lake County Jail trends. Noting population continues to increase.

5. There was consensus to hold the next Strategy Leaders meeting on October 5, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sheriff's Training Room and all were reminded to attend the next CJCC meeting on September 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on October 5th, 2023 at 3pm at the Lake County Sheriff's Training Center

Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm