

Justice and Public Safety Council

Friday, September 16, 2016 – 11th Floor Boardroom, 1001 Douglas St., 1:30-3:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Chair: Lori Wanamaker
Attending: Brent Merchant, Lynda Cavanaugh, Joyce DeWitt-Van Oosten, Richard Fyfe (Vice-Chair), Clayton Pecknold, Bobbi Sadler, Mark Sieben
Ex-officio: Allan Castle (Coordinator), Rozi Debreci
Guest: None
Regrets: Caroline McAndrews (Ex-officio), Kurt Sandstrom

Agenda and Prior Minutes

The Agenda was approved. The Minutes from June 17, 2016 were accepted.

Sixth and Seventh BC Justice Summits

Allan advised the release of the Report of Proceedings for the Sixth Justice Summit - Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse held on June 10-11, 2016. The upcoming Seventh Justice Summit on November 25, 2016, will build on the dialogue of the Sixth Justice Summit topics and focus on actionable recommendations for concrete reforms. Planning is well underway and George Thomson has agreed to facilitate the Seventh Justice Summit.

ACTION: Mark, assisted by Allan, will liaise with Ministry of Health executives to assist in forming-up the discussions on November 25th.

Members asked if steps could be taken to highlight the summary of deliverables which have resulted from the Justice Summits. It was suggested that the Council include actions and deliverables to date as an update within the forthcoming 2017-18 annual strategic plan document.

ACTION: Allan will coordinate the inclusion of Justice Summit deliverables into the 2017-18 JPSC *Strategic Plan for the Justice and Public Safety Sector*.

Performance Measures

Clayton and Bobbi outlined current organizational and technical readiness of key organizations to consider incorporation of one or more province-wide measures of police performance within the Council's suite of justice system indicators. Mark raised the work being done in Saskatchewan on performance measurement and suggested syncing with JPSC.

ACTION: Bobbi and Clayton to follow up with BCACP and PRIME Corp on the work regarding being done this fall regarding data readiness.

ACTION: Allan to prepare a 2016 'refresh' of the Performance Measures Update issued in fall 2015, highlighting BC work ongoing in the areas of access to justice measures and police performance measures. The draft of this document should be circulated in time for consideration at the Council's November regular meeting i.e. by October 26th, and subsequent distribution in time for the Justice Summit on November 25th.

Engagement with Aboriginal Justice Council of BC (AJCBC)

Richard, Mark, and Allan have accepted an invitation to attend an AJCBC meeting on September 17, 2016 for a roundtable discussion of justice and public safety issues. Topics to be considered include overrepresentation of Indigenous people in the criminal justice system; the child protection system; application within British Columbia of *R. v. Gladue*; future Justice Summit topics; and a possible framework for cooperation in these areas.

ACTION: An after-action report-out to the Council will occur at the next regular meeting.

Meeting adjourned; next meeting October 5th