

Justice and Public Safety Council (JPSC) Regular Meeting

July 22, 2019
9:00AM – 11:00AM

11th Floor, 1001 Douglas Street, Victoria BC and via Teleconference

Attendees:

Richard Fyfe, QC (Chair), Mark Sieben (Vice-Chair), Lisa Anderson, Brenda Butterworth-Carr, Lynda Cavanaugh, Kurt Sandstrom

Regrets:

Elenore Arend, Allison Bond, Peter Juk, QC, Taryn Walsh, Tami Currie (Secretariat Support), Mark Fassina (Secretariat Support)

Secretariat Support:

Allan Castle (Contractor), Elizabeth Niessen

Meeting Minutes

Agenda and Meeting Minutes:

- The agenda for the July 22, 2019 meeting and the minutes from the June 5, 2019 meeting were adopted by consensus.
- All actions from the June 5, 2019 meeting were confirmed complete.

Update on 12th Justice Summit Report

- The Secretariat to the JPSC confirmed the 12th Justice Summit Report of Proceedings was finalized and posted to the BC Justice Reform website on July 22, 2019.
- An email was distributed to all participants of the 12th Justice Summit notifying them the Report of Proceedings had been finalized and published.

Update on the fall 2019 Justice Summit:

- The Secretariat informed the Council that a briefing was conducted with the Ministers on July 10, 2019 to overview the proposed topic for the fall 2019 and spring 2020 Justice Summits - *diversion and alternatives to short-term incarceration*.
- The above topic was formally approved by the Attorney General on July 16, 2019 and the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General on July 19, 2019 by way of decision note.
- The JPSC discussed that youth custody should be deemed out of scope for the 2019/2020 Justice Summits, but that the Justice Summit should consider lessons learned from the *Youth Criminal Justice Act* implementation.
- The Council reviewed the draft flyer overviewing the 2019/2020 Justice Summit topic and provided feedback.
- The Secretariat noted that the flyer would be used to distribute a “save-the-date” email to known key justice and public safety sector participants. Remaining Justice Summit participants would be identified throughout the course of agenda development and in collaboration with the Justice Summit Steering Committee.
- The Secretariat proposed an initial list of organizations to be represented on the 2019/2020 Justice Summit Steering Committee, but welcomed additional input from JPSC members.
- The Secretariat volunteered to connect with identified organizations throughout July and August 2019 and confirm Justice Summit Steering Committee membership at the September 2019 meeting.

- Once the Justice Summit Steering Committee has been formed, a regular meeting schedule will be established throughout the period leading up to the fall 2019 Justice Summit on November 22-23, 2019.
- It was noted that a Justice Summit Working Group containing subject matter specialists may also need to be established to conduct required research and generate reference materials in aid in Justice Summit discussions.

Action – the Secretariat to the JPSC to incorporate feedback provided by the Council on the draft 2019/2020 Justice Summit Flyer prior to further circulation.

Action – the Secretariat to the JPSC to distribute a “save-the-date” email to known key justice and public safety sector participants for the fall 2019 Justice Summit.

Action – the Secretariat to the JPSC to confirm Justice Summit Steering Committee membership and overview the proposed planning activities for the fall 2019 Justice Summit at the September 2019 JPSC meeting.

Initial process/approach concepts for future Justice Summits

- The Secretariat briefly summarized the advance materials provided to the Council, which overviewed potential future Justice Summit process design alternatives.
- The prospective process design alternatives were generated by the Secretariat through an analysis of the 12th Justice Summit themes as captured in the Report of Proceedings.
- The Council expressed their desire for additional time to consider the presented alternatives and requested this topic be brought forward for additional discussion at the September JPSC meeting.

Action – JPSC members to consider the presented Justice Summit process design alternatives and provide feedback at the September JPSC meeting.