

final minutes

State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee (SDTCAC) Meeting

3:30 p.m. • Tuesday, July 19, 2022

Legislative Conference Room • 3rd Floor Boji Tower Building

124 W. Allegan Street • Lansing, MI

Members Present:

Judge Amy Ronayne Krause, Chair (Ingham County, Michigan)
Judge Raymond Voet, Vice Chair (Ionia County, Michigan)
Judge Susan Dobrich (Cass County, Michigan)
Judge Shannon A. Holmes (Washtenaw County, Michigan)
Prosecutor Douglas Lloyd (Eaton County, Michigan)
Sheriff Michael Main (Isabella County, Michigan)
Mr. Mark Risk (Grand Traverse County, Michigan)
Mr. Andrew Smith (Oakland County, Michigan)
Ms. Alma Valenzuela (Ottawa County, Michigan)

Members Absent and Excused:

Heidi Cannon
Judge Joshua Farrell
Mr. Andrew Konwiak
Judge Mark Latchana
Ms. Christina Nicholas
Judge Julie B. Owdziej
Ms. Stacy Salon
Mr. Kyle Sofia
Ms. Ines Straube

Pursuant to Public Act 228 of 2020, each Committee member who participated in the meeting remotely made a public announcement indicating he or she was attending the meeting remotely and identified the physical location by stating the county, city, township, or village and state from which he or she was attending the meeting remotely as noted above.

I. Call to Order

Chair Ronayne Krause called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call

The Chair asked the clerk to take the roll. **Judge Dobrich joined later at 3:36 p.m.**

III. New Meeting Time

The Chair noted based off discussion at the April 12, 2022 meeting a survey was conducted amongst committee members that resulted in the majority of members in favor of a 3:30 p.m. meeting time. After further discussion the Chair asked the clerk to survey the committee members for 8:30 a.m. availability for October 4 and/or 5 meeting date.

IV. Approval of Proposed April 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The Chair directed attention to the proposed minutes of April 12, 2022 meeting and asked if there were any changes. There were none. **Prosecutor Lloyd moved, supported by Ms. Valenzuela, to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2022 State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee meeting as presented.** There was no further discussion. There was no quorum; therefore, no roll call vote was taken. The Chair noted all members in attendance approved of the April 12, 2022 meeting minutes with no changes.

V. Recommendation of Appointment of Members

The Chair noted previous discussions regarding Ms. Christina Nicholas's ability to remain on the committee in light of her employment change. After discussion and a review of the committee rules, statute clearly lays out the role for each member of the committee and should not deviate from that pertaining to voting members; therefore, it was concluded that Ms. Nicholas would not be able to continue service as a voting member of the committee. Ms. Nicholas was not present at the meeting. The Chair asked for a discussion on recommendations for potential candidates to full-fill Ms. Nicolas's position on the committee serving in the capacity as a representative of substance use disorder services section of a Pre-Paid Inpatient Health Plan. After discussion there were possible names, the Chair asked members to provide potential candidates to the clerk for further review.

The Chair noted previous discussion regarding Judge Dobrich's ability to remain on the committee in light of her recent retirement. After discussion and a review of the committee rules, it was determined

that Judge Dobrich is able to remain on the committee as a voting member as she continues her work with drug treatment courts. Judge Dobrich expressed appreciation and agreed to continue her service on the committee her role as an individual representing the Michigan Association of Drug Court Professionals.

VIII. Subcommittee Updates

a. Affordable Health Care Act Impact Subcommittee:

Ms. Nicholas was not present at today's meeting. The Chair noted in light of earlier discussion regarding Ms. Nicholas's position on the committee, a replacement to subcommittees will carry forward when a new member is appointed. The Chair asked for discussion, members present agreed. The Chair also indicated if any members would like to serve on this subcommittee to let it be known to the Chair.

b. Defense Attorney Participation Subcommittee:

Mr. Risk was present but had no update to report.

c. Family Dependency Court Subcommittee:

Judge Dobrich updated that SCAL put together a series of training for family treatment court judges with families and reported the series is going well. Mr. Smith agreed feedback from participants regarding the series has been great. Judge Dobrich expressed optimism in getting more Michigan family courts involved.

d. Juvenile Issues Subcommittee:

Judge Owdziej was not present at today's meeting.

e. Legislative Subcommittee:

Ms. Cannon was not present at today's meeting. The Chair called on Judge Hoffman for an update. Judge Hoffman discussed HB-5512 was sent to the Governor's desk for signature. Judge Hoffman updated that none of the other bills discussed in detail at previous meetings have moved and MATCP will continue to support these bills going forward.

f. Program Standardization and Alternative Funding Subcommittee:

Ms. Valenzuela was present but had no update to report.

g. Veterans' Treatment Court Subcommittee:

Judge Voet was present but had no update to report.

h. Vision Subcommittee:

Prosecutor Lloyd was present but had no update to report.

IX. Mental Health Services for Incarcerated Individuals Ad Hoc Committee Update

Ms. Nicholas was not present at today's meeting. The Chair discussed replacement to subcommittee will carry forward when a new member is announced. The Chair reiterated if any members would like to serve on this subcommittee to let it be known to the Chair.

X. Funding Update

The Vice Chair called on Mr. Smith for an update. Mr. Smith updated on the process of preparing for FY23, waiting for the Governor to sign the budget. In the process of applying for federal grants, similar to previous years. Submitted proposal for SOR funding again this year which is a partnership with MDHHS that assists participants in the problem-solving courts. In the process of applying for the VGA grant, will be the second year in this project in assisting courts for supplemental projects. Mr. Smith expressed optimism that there will be sufficient funds available to support programs.

XI. Committee Member Comment

The Vice Chair asked if there were any additional comments from the Committee members.

Mr. Risk mentioned concern regarding obtaining quorum for committee meetings. The Chair confirmed concerns are being addressed. The Chair encouraged members that would like to chair a subcommittee or switch roles on subcommittees to let it be known to the Chair.

XII. Public Comment:

The Chair asked if there were any comments from the public.

Dr. Kapenga shared she attended a networking program last week; Judge Dobrich and Mr. Risk was in attendance. Expressed appreciation to SCAL for having the vision to put the program together. Dr. Kapenga asked Mr. Smith about the opioid settlement dollars and what opportunities would be appropriate for the specialty treatment courts to approach the local funders. Mr. Smith indicated he would research further on the matter.

XIII. Next Meeting Date: To be announced in October 2022

The Chair announced the clerk will reach out to committee members for availability on October 4, 2022 and October 5, 2022 at 8:30am.

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee the Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m. with unanimous support.