

MEETING MINUTES LPSCC/LCJAC

SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

Attendance: Chief Bell; DA McDaniel; Judge Powers; Jim Schaeffer; Travis Miller; Matt Scarfo; Ben Morgan; Kim McDonald; Pete Candlish; Robert Strope; Grant Jackson; Wes Williams; Emily Moody; Ryan Rodighiero; April Brock; Tina Routt; Michelle Leonard; Daisy Thompson.

- 1) Meeting Minutes 05/09/23 approval – No discussion Moved by Judge Williams, seconded by Chief Bell
- 2) PJO Bias crime added to category 3 per new Chief Justice Order. All in favor; Moved to approve PJO by Judge Williams; seconded by Chief Bell
- 3) SIM Mapping; All LPSCC have previously agreed to oversee SIM project to implement. Tina proposed idea to conduct a Pretrial SIM focusing on that area first to see if a breakdown of the SIM is successful. All agreed approaching pretrial first and behavioral health may resolve a lot of other gaps identified in the April SIM. All were in favor of exploring pretrial SIM. Tina to meet with GOBHI end of October. Kelsie inquired on groups that were working on other gaps in county SIM to continue; all were in favor of those continued efforts. OJD is looking into funding for Pretrial SIM; suggestion of L. Joseph and victim's advocates to be a part of that process. Judge Powers motioned to move forward with pretrial SIM, Judge Williams seconded; no objections stated.
- 4) OYA – Representative; Ben Morgan to find out who will replace Ed Pierson Mental Health Director; Matt Scarfo to follow up on new commissioner appointing order for new Mental Health Director
- 5) DOC Budget; Travis Miller – All reviewed budget; question arose from Chief Bell on vacate positions; Travis advised no filling counselor role; and not filling case aide. Chief Bell moved to approve the budget; Judge Williams seconded; no objections stated.
- 6) Department Updates
 - La Grande PD – Chief Bell – Staffing is issue; had 9 retire since 2020. Actively recruiting. Biannual Drug take back Saturday 10/28 at Safeway 10-2.
 - OSP – Interim Lt. Grant Jackson – Staffing as well; gearing up to work with ODOT to keep roads open
 - DA – Kelsie McDaniel – Fully staffed for a couple months, then will be short again and recruiting.
 - Court – Judge Powers – Pretrial Services continue to be a representation to the state implementation of SB 48; We are keeping cases moving even with

OPDS/DA shortage we have not hit crisis yet. We will continue to work with OPDS and all attorneys to keep criminal docket moving.

- Probation – Travis Miller; Hired new PO Maranda Tucker; Probation is fully staffed for PO's.
- Defense Bar (J. Schaeffer) OPDS is status quo, new contracts at the end of September beginning of October for 2 years until June 2025. Jeff MacNeilly will be working majority of Wallowa county; Jared Boyd is new Union Co TX Court Rep; Rick Dall stepped down from that role, Jeff MacNeilly will represent defense in Wallowa Co TX Court.
- Juvenile Department – Ben Morgan new program has been up and running on 6th street; great resource for youth; some services offered: GED prep, jobs, juvenile resources in community. Open house in September.
- CHD – Daisy Thompson – Offering support for the juvenile program, new director coming on board;
- Mt. Emily – Kim McDonald; Tempie Bartell is our examiner and is working limited hours; Jamie Jo has agreed to help out when Tempie is not available which may expand hours of availability for the center for interviews/exams etc. Kim had large thank you to Chief Bell for being on their CAMI advisory committee. His perspective and support is greatly appreciated.