**Community Corrections Advisory Board**

**Minutes – September 12, 2024 (In Person & Zoom)**

**Members Present:** In person: Sandra Clinard-Flanders, Peter Shay, Dr. Michael Birzer, Becky Springer

Via Zoom:, Aaron Breitenbach, Benita Chaplin, Tyler Roush, Christopher Haney

**Members Absent:**, Pamela Mason Hughes, Juanita Denise Ridge, Capt. Chad Beard, Capt. Cody Alexander, Samuel Steincamp

**Staff:** In person: Lori Gibbs, Tom Struble, Monica Harris, Sasha Teel, Steven Stonehouse, Angie Rice, Lesa Lank, Julee Meslin, David Riddle

Via Zoom:,Chris Morales

**Guests**: Russell Leeds (Via Zoom)

**Introductions and Announcements: Lori Gibbs introduced the new member, Christopher Haney, appointed by Mayor Lily Wu for the City of Wichita.**

**ACTION ITEM: Approval of Minutes from the prior meeting on June 13, 2024: *A motion to approve the Minutes from the June 13 meeting was made by Peter Shay, seconded by Dr. Michael Birzer and unanimously approved.***

**ACTION ITEM:*.* Approval of the SFY2025 Carryover Budget for submission to the Sedgwick County BoCC for additional required approval, and authorization for the Chair to sign with additional approval for any technical modifications. *Dr. Michael Birzer made the motion to approve the Carryover Budget, the motion was seconded by Peter Shay and unanimously approved***

**ACTION ITEM: Approval of the FY 24 KDOC Comprehensive Year End Report for submission to the Sedgwick County BoCC for additional required approval, and authorization for the Chair to sign with additional approval for any technical modifications. *Peter Shay made the motion to approve the FY24 KDOC Comprehensive Year End Report, the motion was seconded by Dr. Michael Birzer and unanimously approved.***

**Year End Report:** Tom Struble shared that KDOC success rate is 75% or higher completion; or improvement over the last fiscal year by at least 3%. The goal for SFY24 was met with a completion rate of 55%. The goal for SFY2025 is 58% completion. Tom discussed the impact of handling courtesy cases from other districts and ways to track those cases internally. Adult Services had 653 closures in SFY2024. Of those 653 cases, 360 (55%) were closed successfully.

Sasha Teel reported that historically corrections is rooted in the “compliance” model and being reactive to probation violations. One of the current objectives is to shift to a more proactive approach and meeting clients where they are. The ISOs are targeting risks and actively utilizing evidence based programming and community resources to impact behavior change. An important piece of this work is the use of incentives and rewards and program referrals.

Monica Harris reported on progress relating to audits, case reviews, incentives, referrals to COG, BIP, DC, ARES/WR and the increase of referrals to Specialty Courts.

Angie Rice, ISO III, COG Team shared that there is ongoing training and coaching on the use of EPICS tools and risk assessments.

**Program Updates:** Lori Gibbs gave an update on the Behavioral Health Grant positions. Three ISO’s have been identified as having a mental health background with ComCare. They will be able to serve the mental health population and partner with other vendors for services. Tom Struble will work with Sedgwick County Jail on a screening tool to identify potential clients who would then be assigned to those ISO’s.

Lori Gibbs announced that SCDOC was named Partner of the Year with Goodwill Industries NexStep Unlocked and will be honored at an October 2024 banquet.

Monica Harris shared that the next Drug Court graduation will be held on November 7 and invited everyone to attend. A Veterans Treatment Court workshop will be held in October for all stakeholders. The purpose will be to review eligibility requirements with a goal of increasing the population of the program which is currently at 4.

Sasha Teel shared that Adult Residential intakes are up 30% and ARES/WR population is in the 90s. Pathway Church provided a special baptism service on September 8, 2024. Sasha also shared that the Health Department will be providing STI education to ARES/WR clients in the upcoming months

**Other Business**: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 a.m. Next meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2024.