

Behavioral Health Steering Committee

530 Fund Sub-Committee

May 12, 2021

Attendees

Deborah Hill, Laura Edmonds, **Julie Turnbull**, **Serena McNair**, **Trina Crosby**, **Vickie Rice**, Vickie Rice, **Teresa Saulsberry**, **Judge La'Donna Harlan**, Kelly McWilliams, **Audrey Garnett**, Kimberly Duran, **Charlene Randolph**, Deborah Hill, **Judge Audrey Moorehead**, **Judge Kristin Wade**, **Bryan Smith**, **Judge Raquel Jones**, Crystal Garland, **Nicole Horn**, Jill Johansson-Love, LaShonda Jefferson, Crystal Garland. **(bold type indicates designated voting representatives)**

Review/Approval of Minutes

Deborah Hill called the meeting to order at 9:02 am. Deborah asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Julie Turnbull made a motion to approve the minutes. Audrey Garnett seconded the motion and the group accepted the minutes.

530 Fund Balance and Update

Deborah Hill provided an update of the 530 Fund Balance. Funding is located in two accounts, an escrow account and General Fund 120. Some funds are still being collected under the drug and intoxication fee structure; those funds are applied to the escrow account. Currently, the balance for the Felony account (4020) is \$128,654.32 the Misdemeanor account (4031) is \$21,941.39 for a total of \$150.595.71. The general fund (120) is for fees assessed on all offenses. Fund 120 has a total of \$114,734.03.

Drug Testing

Deborah Hill provided an update of the 530 specialized drug testing utilization total for FY21. Deborah reported a noticeable decrease in 530 drug test utilization which can be attributed to CSCD's pilot program. Total invoiced under the drug testing line item is \$8,094.95 which leaves a balance of \$16,905.05. Deborah mentioned at the time of the meeting the invoices have not been received. An update will be made accordingly. There were no new requests for drug patches at this time.

Transitional Housing

A written report was provided in the meeting packet. There are three specialty court participants in Salvation Army transitional housing. The breakdown is one male participant and two female participants. The court utilization breakdown is two STAC and one STAR. Currently there is one vacancy (male bed). There are females on the waitlist. Referred individuals are no longer required to present proof of a negative COVID-19 test. The Salvation Army has secured onsite rapid COVID testing. Please send referrals to specialtycourts@dallascounty.org and clients will be added to waitlist.

Request for Funding

One funding request was received. STAC requested \$2505 for incentives (167 participants x \$15). STAC's incentive request was approved unanimously by voting members present.

Texas State Office of Governor Update

Keta Dickerson did not provide the update due to a scheduling conflict. The SCAC has received state grant applications for FY2022 which they are currently scoring. Deborah Hill advised the Specialty Court Advisory Council (SCAC) has a conference call with the Office of the Governor next month to discuss the outcome of the grant applications. Keta Dickerson will be able to provide additional information at the next 530 sub-committee meeting.

TASC

Deborah spoke on her positive experience at 2021 TASC in Galveston and open the floor for anyone to speak on TASC. She expressed it was a great experience and open the floor to anyone who would like to share. Julie Turnbull thanked everyone for all the kind comments. Julie expressed the difficulty of organizing a hybrid TASC conference in the midst of COVID-19 pandemic. Many expressed how they did have positive experience in Galveston. Judge Rocky jones and Judge May was thankful for the opportunity to speak and represent Dallas County. Judge Rocky Jones was impressed to see the amount of people that were engaged in the conference. She attributes this to the Julie Turnbull and planners that organized a successful hybrid conference.

Specialty Court Video Production

Specialty court video production was approved in the FY2020 budget but production was delayed due to COVID-19. The goal is to complete the project before the end of FY2021. Please reach out to Deborah regarding video recording availability to coordinate a schedule and begin recording. Optimistically filming will resume in June 2021. Permission was received to extend the production and contract into FY2022 if necessary. Judge Jones was unable to upload and view the previously recorded footage from Mr. Owen. She stated she was going to email Mr. Owen regarding the format. Deborah recommended she would be reaching out to IT for a resolve.

National Drug Court Month

National Drug Court Month is May 2021. Deborah Hill advised the resolution was submitted and approved by Commissioner Daniel included in the packet. Anyone interested in speaking on the resolution will need to reach out to Deborah. The speakers listed to speak at May 18th Commissioners Court include DA Creuzot, Judge Lela Mays, Judge Hector Garza, Chief Lynn Richardson and Hank Judin. Ms. Richardson will have with her a court graduate to share her success story.

Announcements

NADCP Conference has been rescheduled to August 15-18, 2021. Room blocks and registration for the conference is now open. Lynn Richardson was asked to present at this year's NADCP conference. Deborah Hill provided an update on the Virtual/Remote Services in Judicially Led Program/Initiatives Participant Survey administered by the National Center for State Courts, Center for Behavioral Health at Wayne State University and Rulo Strategies. The survey was extended to May 15, 2021 for those that would like to participate. Deborah forwarded an email with specifics on the full day and half day training presented by Mr. Daryl McGraw's "Urban Trauma 101" and "Implicit Bias" for review. Once everyone has an opportunity to look over it, Deborah suggested to discuss the options and possibly vote at the next 530 sub-committee meeting. Crystal Garland wanted to introduce herself as Criminal Justice's program manager of the Opioid Response Grant to those that may have missed last month's 530 meeting.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 am and will reconvene on 6/10/2021 @9:00am via Teams.