

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS
ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

MEETING: Advisory Board

DATE: January 19, 2023

START TIME: 12:04 p.m.

LOCATION: Community Corrections
309 S Broadway Blvd
Salina, KS 67401

END TIME: 12:23 p.m.

MEETING CHAIR: Todd Heitschmidt

DATE REPORT SUBMITTED: January 23, 2023

ATTENDANCE LIST:

Todd Heitschmidt	Paul Forrester
Brent Melander	Kevin Emerson
Richard Buck	Glenna Phillips
Claudette Humphrey	George Troutfetter
Kevin Ellis	LaNay Meier
Douglas Lawson	Russell Thornton
Katrina Pollet	Mary Thrower
Robert Collier	Pamela Sullivan
Susan Montague	Conni Steininger
Hannah Bett	Rodger Sparks

NUMBER OF MEMBERS ABSENT: 5

STAFF PRESENT: 5

Michelle Callam	Krisann Barnaby
Sherry Krous	Brian Vessar
Andrew Pellant	

1. Approval of Minutes (action)

Todd Heitschmidt called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

Todd Heitschmidt asked for any revisions or additions to the October 20, 2022, Advisory Board meeting minutes.

Kevin Ellis made a motion to approve the October 20, 2022, Advisory Board meeting minutes as submitted by staff.

George Troutfetter seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

2. Director's Report

a. Exploring Options for Therapy Dog

Director Callam reported that Community Corrections is looking into getting a therapy dog for the office. Supervisory staff are making a trip to Concordia on January 20th to visit CARES, which trains service dogs. Ultimately, the goal would be to take the dog to drug court, but even if we can only use the dog within our own

office it will be a valuable resource in providing comfort to clients and de-escalating client behavior in tense situations.

b. IT Services

Community Corrections is looking into moving IT services under the county umbrella rather than the private contractor we currently use.

c. Recent Trainings: Professional Development Academy, Motorcycle Gangs and Spanish

Director Callam shared with the board that supervisory staff have been given the opportunity to complete leadership training through the Professional Development Academy. The training was highly recommended by other county staff, and supervisory staff all felt they learned a lot by taking part in this training.

Staff recently had the opportunity to participate in training on Outlaw Motorcycle Clubs through Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center. The Director is looking into what similar trainings may be available that would be of benefit to all staff, and to other local agencies as well.

Kira Gilbert is one of the Spanish teachers at Central High and has begun providing lessons to Community Corrections staff. Kira will work with staff on some basic Spanish, and also on words and phrases specific to our work with clients.

d. Office Visits by Clarke Sanders and Steven Howe

Steven Howe and Clarke Sanders have both visited and toured our office. Clarke Sanders was able to attend a drug court graduation.

3. Kansas Department of Corrections

a. Update

KDOC should forward grant applications for the FY24 fiscal year very soon. The agency is also looking into applying for a federal grant that would provide treatment dollars for drug court clients.

4. Adjournment (action)

Todd Heitschmidt asked for a motion to adjourn the January 19, 2023, board meeting.

Kevin Ellis made a motion to adjourn the January 19, 2023, meeting at 12:23 pm.

Richard Buck seconded the motion.

The motion passed.