# Criminal Justice Advisory Group - CJAG March 20, 2012 **MINUTES**

# **ATTENDANCE**

Nama	Position / Agency	Drocent
Name Maura Massina	Position/Agency	Present
Mauro Messina	Criminal Justice Planning	Y
Bart Menser	District Attorney's Office	Y
Robyn Withrow	District Attorney's Office	Y
Tom Eberly	Criminal Justice Services	Y
Eric Campbell	City Manager's Office	Y
Jamie Privuznak	Criminal Justice Planning	Y
Felicia McAdoo	Mecklenburg Sheriff	Υ
Tangela White	State Justice Services	Υ
Michael Tonsing	Mecklenburg County IT	Υ
Philip K. Potter	Huntersville Police Department	Y
Todd Nuccio	Trial Court Administrator	Y
Kevin Tully	Public Defender	Y
Andrew Murray	District Attorney	Y
Lisa Bell	District Court	Υ
Michelle Lancaster	Mecklenburg County Manager's Office	Υ
Richard Stroker	Center for Effective Public Policy	Υ
Rob Hunter	Matthews Police Department	Υ
David Defresne	Matthews Police Department	Υ
Pam Rikard	Mecklenburg County IT	Y
Fonda Cliffton	Child Support Enforcement	Y
Martha Curran	Clerk of Superior Court	Y
Jessica Ireland	Pretrial Services	Υ
Richard Stroker	Center for Effective Public Policy	Υ
Rodney Monroe	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department	Υ
Curt Walton	City Manager	Υ
Tracy Lee	NC Department of Public Safety	Y
Corey Copely	Pineville Police Department	Y

#### **HANDOUTS**

- Meeting Agenda
- Meeting Minutes 01/17/12
- AP/NCAWARE Project Dashboard
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg 2012 Criminal Justice System Survey Final Report

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:43 AM**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

Michelle Lancaster (County Manager's Office) opened the meeting and gave Kevin Tully (Public Defender) the floor.

# **Holistic Defense Technical Assistance**

Kevin Tully (Public Defender) announced his office was one of three jurisdictions selected nationally to receive technical assistance from The Center for Holistic Defense. Holistic defense seeks to comprehensively address the circumstances which bring individuals into the criminal justice system. Tully thanked those who had written letters in support of the application for assistance, noting the support was an important factor in Mecklenburg County's selection.

#### NC AWARE/Arrest Processing Update

Michelle Lancaster updated members on the timeline for the AP/NCAWARE Project. Following a meeting with representatives from County IT, the AOC, Sheriff's Office, and County Manager's Office, the "go live" date has been pushed back to October 24, 2012 to allow additional application testing and training. Both systems must go live at the same time.

# **Criminal Justice Community Survey Results**

Dr. Nancy Burnap (MarketWise Research) presented the results of the 2012 Criminal Justice Community Survey results. The survey, conducted by telephone January-February 2012, sought the opinions of citizens regarding: Perceptions of Crime in Mecklenburg County; Viewpoint on Criminal Justice; Perceptions of the Performance of Groups in the Mecklenburg Criminal Justice System; Viewpoints on Arrests and Citations, Bail and Release Conditions, and Sanctions; and Sources of Information and Experience with Criminal Justice System.

#### **Mecklenburg County Justice Reinvestment**

Richard Stroker (Center for Effective Public Policy) spoke briefly to members, highlighting the consistency of opinions reflected in the survey with the efforts undertaken through the Justice Reinvestment Initiative. Stroker specifically mentioned the community's support for exploring alternatives for low-level offenses; improving court processes; and implementing prevention strategies. Members were asked if they agreed the JRI efforts were consistent with the survey's findings; there was no dissent.

## **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:46 AM**