Minutes from the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board Special Meeting Friday, November 12, 2010 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. JRTC 100 W. Randolph, 2nd Floor Videoconference Room 2-025, Chicago IDOC 1301 Concordia Court, ISU Building Lab Room, Springfield IDHS Harris Room, Springfield

Board members in attendance (Chicago): Joe Antolin, Jack Cutrone, Gino DiVito, Grace Hong Duffin, Mike Hood, Thomas Mahoney, Adam Monreal, Vicki Rogers, Gladyse Taylor, Robert Vickery

Board members in attendance via videoconference (Springfield): Michael Torchia, (Kathy Saltmarsh)

Board members absent: Jesus Reyes, Brian Towne

Non-Board members in attendance: Brianna Baker-Carvell, Lindsay Bostwick, Jordan Boulger, Mary Ann Dyar, Cory Foster, Jaclyn O'Day, Laurie Jo Reynolds, Lisa Stephens, Sara Sullivan, Christine Devitt Westley Non-Board members via conference call: Michael Buettner, Ange Lee

Roll call

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. The roll call was taken and it was determined there was quorum.

Introductions

Introductions were made. Co-Chair Hong Duffin informed the group that all of the planning grantees have been paid with GRF dollars as of November 10th.

Approval of the local plans

<u>DuPage County</u>: DuPage County representative (and ARIOB member) Robert Vickery spoke to the Board about Dupage's local plan, and he said that they will be serving 84 individuals through a specialized probation violator caseload detailed in their plan; although, it is likely that more will be served (and diverted). They would still like to explore the feasibility of creating a DUI court and/or including low to medium risk offenders in the Adult Redeploy Illinois program.

Joe Antolin moved to approve DuPage County's local plan, and Director Cutrone seconded. Motion approved.

Knox County: Knox County representative Ange Lee joined the meeting by phone. Their plan is to expand their drug court with more staffing and intensive services. 1 full-time probation officer will be dedicated to drug courts. There will also be a part-time administrator, a part-time job trainer, and 1 drug court attorney. Director Cutrone asked the Knox representative on the phone about the cost-effectiveness of their program if they are only looking at 8 participants.

In response to questions about cost-effectiveness, Ms. Lee said that right now their probation officer is already over-extended; an additional officer is needed to expand the program and increase services. The administrator's position is to make sure all requirements are met, and that they continue to grow and fund that court. Their goal is eventually to have the drug court serve 30 or more.

Thomas Mahoney motioned to approve Knox County's local plan, and Mike Hood seconded. Motion approved.

<u>St. Clair County</u>: St. Clair County's representative Michael Buettner stated that they plan is to target retail theft, cannabis possession, probation revocations of class 3 and class 4 felonies for the mentally ill and homeless

through a mental health court docket. The goal is to get those populations stabilized. The program will have 1 coordinating probation officer. They will contract with a local mental health providers for an hourly rate, with the goal of having the individual in the community and not in IDOC. They plan to serve 120 offenders, divert at least 25% (30), but estimate they could divert 50 or 60 individuals.

Joe Antolin motioned to approve St. Clair County's local plan, and Justice DiVito seconded. Motion approved.

Old Business

To offer feedback that will be helpful in the ongoing development of the program, Mary Ann Dyar discussed why some of the planning grant sites did not go forward and request implementation funds for their local plans.

- Effingham County is dealing with severe funding and resource constraints. They were also concerned that it took so long for the GRF planning grant money to come through. Judge Radcliffe, a T.A. provider for the program, will follow up. Mary Ann noted that the that the funding issue (after ARRA dollars run out) is a concern for many jurisdictions, and the Oversight Board might discuss ways to reassure jurisdictions about ongoing funding. Joe Antolin mentioned that, with drug courts for example, we could be looking at drawing down federal dollars in the future.
- McLean County was going to work on intensive probation supervision. They chose not to go forward in part because they received an award from the Department of Justice for a mental health court. When asked if Adult Redeploy money could help bolster on that project, they said that there was a different target population initially with the mental health court (misdemeanants).
- The Second Judicial Circuit had difficulty getting buy-in from all of the key stakeholders for their plan. They are a Juvenile Redeploy Illinois site, but they seem to be more skeptical of rehabilitation and diversion options for the adult offender population.
- Lake County has a great deal of diversion programming and suggested they are doing as much as they can at this point.

There are opportunities to follow up with each of these jurisdictions, as well as any others that may be interested in participating in the future, with the help of the program's two T.A. providers, Judge Radcliffe and Judge Sumner.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned around 3:00 p.m. (Approved 12/17/10)