

Meeting Minutes of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Courts and Justice-Involved Populations Subcommittee December 17, 2021, Approved

Attendees:

Stephanne Thornton (Co-Chair), Brian Gallagher (Council Chair), Deb Koester, Judge James Rowe (joined late), and Tom Plymale

Opening:

Stephanne Thornton (Co-Chair) provided welcome and opening remarks of this regular meeting of the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Courts & Justice Involved Populations Subcommittee. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. on Friday, December 17, 2021 and was conducted by Zoom conference. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct regular business of the subcommittee, including review of Town Hall Meeting feedback as it pertained to the 2022 Implementation Plan.

Approval of Minutes:

With there not being a quorum, meeting minutes from November 17, 2021 were not approved and were tabled to the January meeting.

Agenda Items

Town Hall Meeting Feedback Review: The Courts & Justice Involved Populations Town Hall Meeting was held on November 30, 2021 from 10 AM to 12 PM. The Courts Subcommittee was provided an interim report for review prior to this meeting. Stephanne Thornton summarized findings and feedback to those in attendance with discussion throughout. Following the discussion there was consensus to meet in early January to allow time to identify and review possible previous legislation (i.e., previously introduced bills) that could improve gaps identified from Town Hall meeting feedback. The group identified Monday, January 3, 2022 for a next meeting and will meet again as a full subcommittee on Friday, January 14, 2022. In the interim Stephanne Thornton will also provide Dr. Koester with findings regarding legislation to review and she will provide that documentation for the January meeting.

Adjournment

Stephanne Thornton, Co-Chair, closed the meeting by thanking those who were able to attend. A calendar invite for upcoming meetings will be sent out for January meetings.