



Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors

March 12-13, 2025 - Meeting Minutes

Location: Spirit Mountain Casino Hotel | Polk County

Executive Team Present: Nate Gaoiran, President (Washington County) | Dale Primmer, Vice President (Umatilla County) | Jodi Merritt, Secretary (Polk County) | Aaron Hartman, Past President (Klamath County) | Ryan Downing, Eastern Rep (Baker County) | Kiki Parker-Rose, Southern Rep (Jackson County) | Mike Hartford, Northern Rep (Marion County) | Jeff Wood, OACCD Executive Director

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Lane County: Greetje Brunsmann
Lincoln County: Tony Campa
Linn County: Maureen Robb
Malheur County: James St. Michell
Morrow County: Gina Wilson
Multnomah County: Tira Hubbard
Tillamook County: Ahnie Seaholm
Union County: Travis Miller
Yamhill County: Jessica Beach

OACCD Members Absent: Gilliam/Wheeler County: Tina Potter; Grant County: Josh Wolf; Sherman/Wasco County: Fritz Bachman; Wallowa County: Kyle Hacker; Clatsop County, Kristen Hanthorn

Representatives (Ex-officio): Jeremiah Stromberg (DOC), John Bailey (Parole Board), Ryan Keck (CJC)

Personnel Present: Dr. Marci Nelson, Zaira Robles, Robert Fenner, Crystal Miller, Jon Hansen, Andrea Padgett, Justin Bendele, Tommy Jones, John Hamilton, Lesley Donaghy, Lonny Keller, Paula Fata, Travis Gamble, Dennis Holmes, Traci Hubler, Gregory Lay, Stephanie Miller,



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Michelle Mooney, Lonnie Nettles, Denise Pena, Jay Scroggins, Denise Sitler, Dawn Skinner, Jamie Tynan, Brooke Vice, Lee Warren, Steve Works, Stacia Tyacke, Digna Moreno, Mark Patterson, Marcy Bliss, Kelly Church, Brooke Vice, Jon Hansen, Tracey Coffman, Melanie Reischke

Date: March 12, 2025 | Day 1

Welcome:

President Nate Gaoiran called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. He gave a brief update on testimony the Department of Corrections gave. He stated that Jeremiah has done an absolute wonderful job presenting the actual cost study.

Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes:

Nate entertains a motion to approve the January 2025 OACCD minutes.

Action:	To approve the January 2025 minutes.
Motion:	Jessica Beach
Second:	Dale Primmer
Discussion:	None.
Vote:	Motion passes unanimously.

Department of Corrections (DOC) Updates:

Jon Hansen gave out challenge coins for photos submitted that were used in the Community Corrections Act document. The coins were given to Josephine County for Best PO in the community photo, Deschutes County for best PO with client and Morrow County for best group photo. John reminded attendees to start sending him photos for the next CCA in two years.

Tracey Coffman spoke on the great engagement the weekly chrono quizzes are getting. The quizzes are intended to help reach the contact standards goals.

Brooke Vice mentioned she will be working with team on the CCR update.

Melanie Reischke told the group about inconsistency in the way that DOC is processing county waiver, specifically around the employment section. They will continue to work with counselors and transition coordinators to try to secure housing.



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OACCD asked DOC if there is a timeframe on when the contact standards dashboard will be live. Brooke is hoping that it is soon. Denise is working with IT on the project. The dashboard will have different types of measurable contacts like office and home visits.

Legislative Update:

Jeff Wood re-emphasized on Jeremiah doing a fantastic job with his testimony. He mentioned the current legislative session has been extremely busy. There was a record number of bills that dropped. He spoke on FSAP, the pilot program. He realizes a lot of the counties have dropped the pilot piece out since it was not included in the governor's recommended budget. There is a Bill, House Bill 2555, that was submitted by partnership for Safety and Justice in terms of trying to revive FSAP. The district attorneys and OACCD testified in opposition. The CJC budget hearing was rescheduled for April 3rd.

Nate gave a big shout out to not only Jeff but also Jenny because she was able to coordinate meetings with the Ways and Means members for OACCD. He also gave a shout out to AOC. They have made OACCD's legislative ask of \$18.18 to be their top priority for funding of community corrections. Presenting at the AOC in November provided a lot of momentum. He asked people in the room to thank their commissioners for their support. Lastly, Nate also brought awareness to being mindful of the forecast in April. If the forecast in April is significantly lower, that means the budget is going to be significantly lower. The legislative committee will be looking at different strategies possibly looking at if capitated rates was based off the community supervision levels and not off the public safety checklist levels.

Jenny Dresler also stated DOC did very well on today's budget hearing. There are folks who really understand the value of community corrections. There's a lot of momentum in the Capitol building to listen to live experience, Deevy was able to capitalize on that, she invited someone to testify on community corrections behalf who has lived experience.

Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) Updates:

The summit had 350 people in attendance last week. Ryan mentioned they are working on a webpage to provide the PowerPoint videos to make it available to anyone who was unable to attend. Their public hearing was delayed, it is scheduled for April 3rd. Treatment court grant deadline for phase 1 is the 20th of March. The final application deadline is July 1st. Goal to have it in front of the commission on August 19. Justice Reinvestment solicitation opened last week on Wednesday. Deadline is the 18th of April to submit which programs with intended funds used with justice reinvestment dollars if interested in the competitive portion of justice reinvestment, you need to opt in at this stage. The final application deadline is July 16th. Get started now and work to get those budget sheets. Trying to get it in front of the Commission for final decision on September 6th. There are other grant programs that have less certainty, it is built into agency's budget, so CJC is holding off until more information is available. Lastly, Ryan answered members questions regarding grants, grant deadlines, and counties deflection.

Welcome – Polk County:

Commissioner Jeremy Gordon from Polk County welcomed OACCD. Within his role at AOC, he's had the pleasure to learn a bit more about what community corrections does. He has seen the intersections



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between supervision and behavioral health and housing services on the community. Supports that not only keeps people accountable to the law, but also stabilize folks in community and help with their reentry into regular life.

Grand Ronde Tribe Presentation:

Chief Jake McKnight from Grand Ronde Police Department spoke on the history of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and showed a video on their story.

Parole Board Update:

John Bailey thanked OACCD for the support they gave during their budgetary presentation. The board is busy right now with a few different bills, Senate bill 819, 820 and 821. Senate bill 822 is a bill that the board is not taking a position on, but it does affect the registration classification system.

Discussion & Questions: CCR Presentation:

Brooke presented an overview of Community Corrections Reviews (CCR's). She covered the why behind DOC conducting the reviews. It is a legislative mandate, ORS 423.525, there is a legal and county obligation and CCR's help determine support and service needs. She also reviewed the timeline from then to now. The areas of focus for CCR's are data entry, program reviews, OAR compliance, biennial plan adherence, continuum of sanctions and outcome measures. Their process for CCR's entails gathering information, research generated reports, information provided by county, review collected information, provide a report, indicate results in review areas, identify recommendations, deploy technical assistance and training, and onsite review as needed. DOC is planning on bring back the graph, it will be a dashboard.

Discussion: Virtual Meeting Protocol:

Nate entertains a motion to approve the Virtual Attendance to Network Group Meetings and Trainings.

Action:	To approve the Virtual Attendance to Network Group Meetings and Trainings.
Motion:	Aaron Hartman
Second:	Jodi Merritt
Discussion:	There was discussion on the need for an owl. Executive team will discuss further during their meeting.
Vote:	Motion passes unanimously.

General Announcements:

Jodi announced the November meeting will be held the afternoon of Thursday the 13th and the morning of Friday the 14th. The June executive meeting will be on June 12 from 9 to 4pm. For the June meeting she has invited liaisons to attend the meeting to present their budget and provide their minutes from the year.



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OACCD Subgroup & Network Report Out:

SOSN:

The last SOSN meeting was January 28-29. Next meeting is Umatilla, April 22-23. The next upcoming training for SOSN is April 10th through the 12th. It's a Pacific Northwest Conference and co-hosted by Oregon.

Case Management/ MH Network / Gender:

During their last meeting the mental health network had guest speakers Alicia Morton from OHA talk about Medicare and Medicaid. Her goal is to get a community corrections person in each office that can be an OHP assistor to help people signed up for health care. The network is also working on planning a mental health training for this year, that's going to be tentatively on September 30th through October 2nd.

The gender cohort we had Dr. Krista Karen from the University of Houston attend virtually to provide some feedback on their WRNA work that was completed in December of last year. The overall results were valid as predicted as a tool to use on community corrections population of women. The gender conference is coming up, April 29th to May 1st in Washington County.

DOC approved to only use version seven of the WRNA, meaning trainers who were taught on a lesser version are unable to train others until they take the booster training. People that need the booster training for version seven will be contacted by DOC to sign them up for the training. There will be no cost for the booster training by Dr. Emily Salisbury.

Supportive Housing Workgroup:

Greetje noted the workgroup was developed based on a 5-year study that just ended in September of 2024. From that study, 231 individuals reentering from prison were placed in permanent supportive housing who otherwise would have been homeless. The individuals placed in housing remained stable, housed and 11% have been convicted of a new felony offense and returned to prison.

FAUG:

FAUG is making minor changes to the victim's section of EDIS form They will bring it forward to the executive team once changes are made. They are also working on adding a supervisor section in the manual that will guide them through their work.

Supervisory Network:

The network noticed that there are issues with transfers from different counties. Regions have agreements that other regions may not know about. It is essential to make sure that a person can be transferred to another region and employees communicate with their supervisors to help resolve the issues that arise. Another robust conversation that they had was regarding the exit survey. Trying to work with the courts to get those surveys done from clients that have hard to reach. They are also starting to see conditional discharges revoked. Their next meeting is tentatively in Pendleton, June 17th and 18th.

PCAN/CCAN:



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PCAN/CCAN met on January 13. They went over the data from the survey sent to OACCD regarding what they wanted to see as a part of the best practices for victim services training and also a guide. PCAN/CCAN are interested in coming to the September OACCD meeting to provide the training. They are also looking into PCAN doing some sort of roadshow to come to different counties and provide training to staff.

Oregon DOJ BIP Advisory Committee:

The advisory committee is still in the process of rewriting the DV intervention standards. They are making pretty good process and robust conversations. They are also having a lot of conversations about what is trauma informed care and what should be mandated.

SOON/FSN:

No update provided.

DATA Group:

No update provided.

Skills, Wellness and Training:

Nate entertains a motion to nominate Chris Chandler to be the Skills, Wellness and Training liaison.

Action:	To approve Chris Chandler to be the Skills, Wellness and Training liaison.
Motion:	Nate Gairan
Second:	Jodi Merritt
Discussion:	Nate provided Chris words of encouragement.
Vote:	Motion passes unanimously

Executive Board Nominations:

Every two years OACCD goes through nominations for the next executive committee. Vacancies are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Nominations will be accepted today through Monday.

Treasurer nomination:

- Kristen Hanthorn
- Jodi Merritt made the nomination, it was seconded by Kiki Parker-Rose

Secretary nomination:

- Scott Hyde
- Kiki Parker-Rose made the nomination, it was seconded by Jamie Hepner

Vice President nomination:

- Jodi Merritt



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- Nate Gaoiran made the nomination, it was seconded by Dale Primmer

President nomination:

- Dale Primmer

-Aaron Hartman made the nomination, it was seconded by Jessica Beach

Jeff Wood will have the nominations confirmed by the next executive team meeting in April. The new team will take over effective July.

Closing Remarks:

Next meeting is in Hood River. OACCD will try to invite the PSU director doing the study to the meeting.

Denise mentioned biannual plan season. She will be working on biannual plan forms; she may have to make some small modifications to the forms for next biennium.

Nate recognized Jay Scroggins retirement.

Meeting adjourned at 3:27pm

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Jodi called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Legislative Discussion / Hot Topics:

The members discussed the testimony that was provided earlier at the public hearing for HB 5004, the lived experience testimony was impactful. The momentum and the energy that was brought to the Capitol building today was really well received. Keep in mind the April population forecast; it may impact the budget.

There was discussion on how to communicate the profession of community corrections and the need to be fully funded. Kiki showed a video Jackson County Community Justice created to show the impact of their department on clients.

Jeff reiterated what was talked about regarding the corrections forecast. It appears like the deflection cases are close. The new trend line is significantly lower which makes the actual cost study more affordable for the legislature. It also makes EDIS more affordable. Hopefully the \$18.18 will resonate with the legislative committee, but it does look like it'd be a sizable baseline decrease.

APPA Supervision Standards:

Scott Taylor and Ray Wahl discussed their work on revitalizing the standards for probation and parole around the nation. APPA is interested in the standards, and they are looking at how accreditation would look like.

The group has concerns on being a pilot program and adopting a national standard. They also want to take into considerations the bandwidth it will take. Nate will meet with Scott to ask more questions.



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Meeting adjourned at 11:47 p.m.