



Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors

May 14-15, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Location: Best Western Plus – Hood River Inn, Hood River, Oregon | Hood River County

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

Exec. Team Absent:

OACCD Members Present:

Clackamas County: Chris Chandler
Columbia County: Larry Evenson
Coos County: Michael Crim
Crook County: Aaron Boyce
Curry County: David Denney
Deschutes County: Tanner Wark
Douglas County: Joe Garcia
Gilliam/Wheeler County: Tina Potter
Harney County: Lodi Presley
Hood River County: Jamie Hepner
Jefferson County: Robert Rodriguez
Josephine County: Scott Hyde
Lake County: Jayson Greer
Lane County: Greetje Brunsmann
Lincoln County: Tony Campa
Malheur County: James St. Michell
Morrow County: Gina Wilson
Multnomah County: John McVay
Sherman/Wasco County: Fritz Bachman
Tillamook County: Ahnie Seaholm
Wallowa County: Kyle Hacker
Yamhill County: Jessica Beach
Union County: Travis Miller

OACCD Members Absent: Grant County: Josh Wolf

Representatives (Ex-officio): Dylan Arthur (Parole Board), Michelle Mooney (DOC), Brook Vice (DOC)
Ryan Keck (CJC), Denise Sitler (DOC), Amy Bertrand (DOC)

Others in attendance: Marci Nelson, Zaira Robles, John Bailey, Kaylynn Berrios, Donovan Dumire, John Hamilton, Katy Harmon, Dennis Holmes, Chris Hoover, Lonny Keller, Greg Lay, Karen LeDoux, Andrew Lynch, Crystal Miller, Jeff Pickens, Joel Pickerd, Lee Warren, Steve Works, Stacia Tyacke



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Date: May 14, 2025 | Day 1

Welcome:

President Nate Gaoiran called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. People in attendance introduced themselves by stating their name, who they work for and a fun fact about the person next to them. Nate's messaged to the group was to stay connected with one another.

Approval of Minutes:

Dale entertains a motion to approve the March 2025 minutes.

Action:	To approve the March 2025 minutes.
Motion:	Jake Greer
Second:	Jessica Beach
Discussion:	None.
Vote:	Motion passes unanimously.

Criminal Justice Commission (CJC):

Ryan Keck announced that he had been appointed interim executive director of CJC until January.

Grant updates: Treatment Grant Program will be in review this Friday. Justice Reinvestment Program is the week following. They will meet on the 23rd to provide feedback on applications. Note, the funding table still needs to be approved, it will be put forward to the commission on June 17 for approval.

CJC's budget is tentatively scheduled for next Thursday, the 22nd, hopeful the date holds true.

HB3069 application consolidation is still going through, there is a new amendment moving forward. It is scheduled to be reviewed tonight, but might be postponed to next Wednesday, the 21st. Non-profits will be going through an independent process. If the bill passes, it will start to be implemented during the 27-29 biennium, with the exception of some changes to the Deflection funding. Although changes to the organization structure will go into effect this July along with a few other changes.

Parole Board:

Dylan Arthur provided a legislative update; most bills did not move forward. They met with the Ways and Means to submit 5- and 10-year plans.

Department of Corrections (DOC):

Brooke Vice stated Christy Elvin has joined DOC and is going through onboarding.

Michelle presented on a current IT project regarding migrating all DOC-supported CC domain computers to Windows 11, including IBM iAccess Client Solutions (iACS), by October 2025. The current emulator will not be supported after October 2025. DOC IT is going to provide installing guides for iACS



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to each county that are not DOC domain counties. Each county IT will be responsible for majority of the implementation and maintenance.

OHP Assistors / Community Corrections:

Alisha Morton from OHA spoke on their goal to have a navigator in every agency to help clients with roadblocks regarding medical coverage.

Sub Group Report Out:

SOSN: During their last meeting in Umatilla, they had good attendance. It was the first time they did the remote option. They discussed changing the time of year they hold their annual sex offender academy to spring, worked on OACCD's request for financial requests for upcoming year and identified another sex offender trainer.

Case Management/ MH Network / Gender: Next OCMN will be in Deschutes County, June 10-12th.

FVSN: Scott received news that Joe Quinn was stepping down as chair and Megan Bubar will be assuming that role. During their last meeting they had a good proactive conversation about best practices. They are submitting their training request budget for OACCD, it will include funds for a keynote speaker.

Supportive Housing Workgroup: Greetje provided a recap on the findings for the 5-year study. Housing has nearly double from initial goal. 87% of clients have maintained that stable housing successfully avoiding homelessness. They also tracked recidivism rates. The homeless reentry population in Lane County has a re-incarceration rate of 26%, but with the program and that supportive housing percentage has dropped. The new incarceration rate due to new felony convictions fell to 11%, that's a 60% reduction in recidivism rates, which none of this should be surprising given we provide housing and supportive services for the clients.

Skills, Wellness and Training: Chris Chandler is getting a grasp of the workgroup since becoming the liaison a few months back. Next SWTN meeting will be hosted by Marion County June 11-12 with a focus on Con-Sim. Chris met with the current chair, Shawn Anderson, and the past liaison, Donovan Dumire, to discuss the 2024 solicitation of use of force reports from P&P agencies around the state. To date, SWTN has received very few responses and even less reports, making it difficult to develop any recommendations or provide follow up to OACCD. Chris plans to consult with SWTN on how to move forward with this project, reach out to each Director and engage them in the process, with a follow up at OACCD Exec with an update. More to come.

FAUG: FAUG's next meeting is May 21. They are recommending attendees attend in-person in August at Hood River. They will be having Oregon State Police and DOJ in attendance to do training on fingerprints and DNA.

Supervisory Network: SLN next meeting is June 17 and 18. Lee is currently working on the agenda. During the last meeting, they had the most representation and participation, it was great to see and would like it to continue.



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PCAN/CCAN: The group met in April. They are working on data collection for victims' services. Each department that has been advocates have their own ways in collecting data, so anything they can do to support a better way for more consistent victim services data would be helpful. One of the things that comes up sometimes is there are victim service providers in the community like domestic violence providers or sexual assault, but there's a gap when it comes to people who serve people who have experienced like property crimes or other types of physical crimes. Agencies advocates do a lot of work with those people where they don't really have that in the communities and in rural counties, who may not even have those services. Keeping in mind as we're continuing to build an art industry that we have a duty to serve victims systemically within criminal probation and at the needs of those postcondition, people are important too. The final item that group discussed was presenting their best practices training that OACCD asked for in September. Exec will discuss allotted time for the presentation. They will also want to provide the training as a roadshow throughout counties.

Oregon DOJ BIP Advisory Committee: The group continues to move forward on rewriting the standards. They are working to bringing the terminology up to date. The subgroup is looking at how to write an assessment in RNR into the standards.

SOON/FSN: SOON met April 10th in Astoria. They worked on OACCD funding request and spoke on the virtual attendance protocol. SOON has a manual committee every other meeting, they're now taking it off meetings and they are meeting in conjunction with SOON. Next meeting is August 13 for FSN in conjunction with SOON.

DATA Group: Tanner spoke on the dashboard; they published the Statewide Population Over time dashboard on the OACCD website. There is still more work to be done. Douglas and Linn have access to the Power Bi dashboards part of the pilot.

OACCD Members Topics:

Scott Hyde discussed defining priorities, establishing best practices and evaluating time, effort and cost of those priorities. Scott provided an overview of how Josephine County achieved completing LS/CMIs in 60 days while attempting to meet OAR. He imposed questions to the group about providing a best practice recommendation for contact standards and what the responsibility is in community corrections.

Attendees spoke on their experiences in respective counties. The group shared:

- Community Corrections job is crime prevention, which relates to prevention of recidivism. Is it done through enforcing conditions of supervision?
- The need to advocate for themselves.
- Counties have local control, but as an association what should be championed.
- Public safety, offender reformation and accountability are 3 common words seen.
- The workgroup will work on best practices for all OARs: contact standards, assessments, and case plans.
- Based on the data a member has seen, they would say their job is to hold people accountable and create a cognitive dissonance.



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OACCD recognized Donavan Dumire and Malcom McDonald with plaques.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.

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The President called meeting to order at 9:00a.m.

Tina went over the protocol for hybrid meetings during OACCD meetings and subgroup meetings that were previously adopted. Be mindful and preplan if groups are deciding to meet at location that doesn't have remote capabilities.

Potentially starting a subgroup or more to discuss best standards for contact standards, case plans, and risk assessments. Jodi does not think more than one workgroup is needed since each topic overlaps. No motion needed. Email Jodi if anyone wants to join the workgroup. Goal is to have a position as an association.

Executive Board Nominations:

Jeff Wood summarized the nomination process and nominees. The last meeting at Polk County they opened nominations for the next biennial executive committee. Kristen Hanthorn was nominated for Treasurer, Scott Hyde was nominated for Secretary, Jodi Merritt was nominated for Vice President and Dale Primmer was nominated for President. Jeff noted the bylaws state that an election must be held in June of the odd number year. Jodi will create a survey that Jeff will send out in June since an electronic vote is allowed.

Follow-up from Wednesday – Action Items:

Aaron added, to try to shift and try something different. Community Corrections never shied away from trying something new, and he thinks there is an opportunity to do it again. Become the voice of Community Corrections. A member voiced concerns on timing for the workgroup and the need for OACCD leadership to be on the same page before pushing it down. They need all perspectives in the workgroup, call Jodi to have those conversations. Make your voice heard.

PTO Training:

The association would like to get feedback from counties on training, especially with expecting retirements to be around 20 people in the upcoming year. Counties are not hiring fast enough to keep up with the upcoming changes. Attendees spoke on the training they provided new hires from how they transition to a caseload, to preventing burnout from the high expectations that are required.

Supervisory / Management Training Discussion:

Jodi explained the reason for the topic being on the agenda and ask the association what type of trainings counties are providing to their supervisors and management in addition to what DPSST offers and what training is needed. She acknowledged that, in the next three to four years, half of the association will be retiring. Kiki spoke on their mentor program, John provided testimony. He was hesitant on the program but has found value in it.



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There was discussion on reaching out to DPSST to see the curriculum for both supervisory and management training and see what is missing that can drive other training topics. The possibility of having SLN develop trainings that OACCD sees a need for. Exploring partnerships with local colleges or community partners to make something robust.

Legislative Updates:

Jenny Dresler provided a legislative update. The state's revenues are down over \$750 million from the February forecast. It was not a good forecast for anybody. This means that legislature has less money to work with, the amount remains to be seen. Jenny is working along other lobbyist to try to sort out what exactly it will look like for the rest of this session. The Public Safety Subcommittee is slated or projected to close down by June 5th. That feels really early, but it means that within the next two weeks we're likely to see some movement on those budgets. We had some really positive indicators last week around where our budget stood. She wants to make sure that holds. She asks to make it a priority to reach out to representatives and tell them the cost study is what needs to be funded. Jenny does not think this will be a one and done session. She is working towards and has seen the connection made towards considering the cost study the baseline.

Jeff Wood provided an update on House Bill 3069. Amendments to the bill may occur regarding the administrative rate percentage another change may occur regarding the Jason Myers Wellness Grant being applicable all professionals including non-sworn staff. The intention of the bill is to simplify the process and shifting the responsibility to the counties. Comments were made during the meeting regarding hearing that the metrics on the application will change and misconception on the population. Jeff also mentioned that based on current information DOC is going to be more of an administrative role working behind the scenes, similar to what they already do. OACCD won't have a seat at the table to vote, but there might be an amendment to that.

There is no legislative meeting tomorrow at 10:30am.

A member mentioned the meeting being a safe space, it was one of the most positive and interactive meetings they have had in a long time.

Nate acknowledged this will be his last OACCD meeting as president. He thanked Marci and Zaira for assisting with the meetings. He thanked everyone for coming and participating and thanked everyone for bringing community corrections to this point.

Nate closed the meeting at 11:24am