MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

BOARD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS

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Chairman Richard Hilderbrand called the regular session of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners (The Board), to order and led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 AM on Monday, September 30, 2013 in the Commission Room, #109 of the Cherokee County Courthouse located at 110 W Maple St., Columbus, Kansas. Commissioners Richard Hilderbrand, Charles Napier, Pat Collins, and County Clerk Rodney Edmondson were present.

Members of the press present: Larry Hiatt, Tony Coble, Phillip Wade

Visitors present: Jerry Messer

A motion was made by Commissioner Collins to enter an Executive Session with the employees of the Appraiser's Office, minus Nancy Herrenbruck and Kim Lauffer, for a period of 10 minutes for the purpose of Non/Elected Personnel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Napier. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes at 9:06 AM.

The meeting reconvened at 9:16 AM.

No action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Napier to enter an Executive Session with Nancy Herrenbruck and Kim Lauffer for a period of 10 minutes for the purpose of Non/Elected Personnel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hilderbrand. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes at 9:17 AM.

The meeting reconvened at 9:27 AM.

No action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

Leonard Vanatta - County Road Supervisor Gene Langerot - County Lot Supervisor

They appeared before the Board on routine county business. Cleanup operations are in place for the upcoming Marathon on October 13th, 2013.

Crossland Construction's rock crushing equipment has been moved in and they should start crushing the leftover concrete into rock today.

Stephen D. Houk Sr.

He appeared before the Board asking for assistance from the County with ants that are in the stumps that are located on the county right of way. They are getting into his house located at 1890 NW 5th Street. Commissioner Napier will have the road supervisor look into the problem.

Raymond Griffitt

He brought in more paperwork for the Board to review concerning his legal matters. Commissioner Hilderbrand highlighted his paperwork to show that the case was dismissed by Judge Brown in 1977. The Board stated that they could do nothing to help him.

Joni Henry - Deputy Treasurer

She appeared to voice her concerns over recent events and practices concerning the Board and county employees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Collins to approve the Minutes of the September 23, 2013 BOCC Meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Napier. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes.

Mac Young - Community Corrections

He appeared before the Board to report on the Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan Year End Outcome Report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hilderbrand to sign the Outcome Report as presented by Mac Young. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes. A copy of the report will be returned once all required signatures have been obtained.

Jason Allison - Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

He appeared before the Board to inform them that his department will be helping with the Civil War Encampment being held in Baxter Springs next weekend. He also stated that preparations are going well for the marathon the following weekend.

He informed the Board that the 2006 Ford Expedition was in the shop again. It appears to have a computer issue and the A/C isn't working. Carpino Ford has a 2006 pickup for \$18,300 and they would allow \$5,300 for trade-in. The state's surplus doesn't have anything useful right now. The Board approved the purchase with trade-in.

Shawn Turner - Transystems Corporation

He appeared before the Board to inform them that he turned in an outlay request to KDHE for final payment to Warstler Excavating for the sewer lift station projects in Riverton. KDHE suggested the county pay Warstler the \$113,618.01, then accept the outlay request as reimbursement. The State has given their final approval so the county will receive the reimbursement. The final inspection was done about the 1st of August.

A motion was made by Commissioner Collins to pay Warstler Excavating \$113,618.01 for the sewer lift station project that KDHE will reimburse to the County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Napier. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes.

Kevin Cure - Cherokee County Counselor

He appeared before the Board on legal matters concerning Cherokee County.

He read a draft letter addressed to the Chief of the Quapaw Tribe for review by the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hilderbrand to sign a letter asking for more information regarding the Compact from the Quapaw Tribe. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins. The motion carried 2-1 with Commissioner Napier voting no. Commissioners Hilderbrand and Collins signed the letter. Mr. Cure will forward the letter to the Chief of the Quapaw Tribe.



A motion was made by Commissioner Hilderbrand to enter an Executive Session with Mr. Cure for a period of 15 minutes for the purpose of Non/Elected Personnel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes at 12:30 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 12:45 PM.

No action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hilderbrand to enter an Executive Session with Mr. Cure and County Appraiser Kim Lauffer for a period of 15 minutes for the purpose of Non/Elected Personnel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes at 12:46 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 1:03 PM.

No action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

Commissioner Hilderbrand made a motion to adjourn until the next regularly scheduled meeting set for October 7, 2013 at 9:00 AM. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Napier. The motion carried 3-0 with all voting yes at 1:09 PM.

ATTEST: Resolved and ordered this day, October 7, 2013

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Aug 31	41	Application for Delayed Trial setting filed by defts.	
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# **Kansas Department of Corrections**

**Community Corrections Services** 



## Kansas Department of Corrections Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan Quarterly and Year End Outcome Report Format

Fiscal Year 2013

Community Corrections Agency: 11th Judicial District Community Corrections

	Report Period
1 st Quarter 2 nd Quarter 3 rd Quarter X Year End	July 1 st - September 30 th October 1 st - December 31 st January 1 st - March 31 st July 1 st - June 30 th

## **Process Goals**

Goal: Facilitate the education of our team members and collaborative partners to the Evidence Based approach and this agencies practices and programming it offers to enhance client reformation by June 30, 2013

**V**Objective #1: By October 1, 2012, this agency will solicit Community Corrections Advisory Council support in establishing a seminar to discuss risk reduction practices statewide with our local team members and collaborative partners.

Target Date: 10/1/12

Progress: The Community Corrections Advisory Council established 4 state-wide stakeholder conferences, titled "Exploring Risk in our community with Dr. Alex Holsinger". This agency hosted one of those four regional seminars on October 5, 2012. There were a total of 16 attendees including:

- 2 Judges
- 1 Prosecutor
- 4 Law Enforcement Officers
- **4 Community Corrections Directors**
- 2 Mental Health Professionals
- 1 Court Services Officer
- 2 Kansas Department of Corrections Staff

Of those 16 participants, three were Advisory Board Members of the 11th Judicial District Community Corrections.

**V**Objective #2. Within 30 days preceding the established seminar, this agency will forward invitations to local stakeholders with information about the available training on the Evidence-Based approach and risk reduction strategies

Target Date: 9/5/12

**Progress:** We discussed this impending training with our local Advisory board as a save the date on 7/19/12, followed up with an emailed invitation with handout attachments on 8/22/12. We again discussed the upcoming training at an Advisory Board meeting on 9/20 and on 9/18/12 another email was forwarded from our Advisory Board Chairperson/Administrative Judge encouraging attendance.

**Discussion / Current Activities**: On October 5th, the local stakeholder training was held with 16 regional attendees. The audience contained:

Judges -2
Prosecutors-1
Law Enforcement Officers-4
Mental Health Professionals-2
Court Services Officer-1
Comm. Corr. Administrators – 4
Kansas Department of Corrections Consultants-2

The above attendee list includes 3 agency Advisory Board members. The attendees list also incorporates 10 individuals from our immediate jurisdiction.

**V**Objective #3: The Adm. Director will dispense to the local stakeholders updated information regarding local practices as it applies to Evidence Based theories by November 1, 2012

Target Date: 11/1/12

Progress: On October 31, 2012, Administrative Director, Mac Young disseminated a copy of this agencies comprehensive plan along with a shortened highlight letter to area stakeholders which included, local judges, commissioners, court services officers, sheriff's prosecutors and chiefs of police.

# VGoal: To implement a T4C2 aftercare group in Labette County by June 30, 2013.

Group was scheduled to start in May 2013, however on that date, the tornado sirens were activated and group was cancelled. We were able to initiate our first group in June 2013 with 7 attendees.

**V**Objective #1: By November 1, 2012, this agency will meet with Labette County T4C2 stakeholders to discuss the establishment of a T4C2 meeting.

Target Date: 11/1/12

Progress: We have scheduled a meeting with T4C2 stakeholders for Monday, October 29 to get this process moving. Those invited were: Parole Supervisor, Belinda Atkins; Job/Cog Specialist, Rosilan Watts, SB 123 treatment provider, Mark Gardner; and ISO Stephanie Smith.

Discussion / Current Activities:

**V**Objective #2: To identify a client facilitator and a staff facilitator to conduct the monthly T4C2 meetings by January 1, 2013.

Target Date: 1/1/13

Progress: This agency met with Parole and Mental Health on October 29 and developed three possible facilitators. Those individuals were approached one had agreed to facilitate the monthly meetings. To date, she has traveled to our Pittsburg location, twice to witness the T4C2 meeting in that location to get a better understanding of expectations of the group. Gas vouchers were provided as an incentive, to assist with travel costs.

**V**Objective #3: To mail informational packets and invites to past T4C2 graduates, explaining the program and its benefits by March 1, 2013

Target Date: 3/1/13

Progress: Our Parsons client facilitator did not feel prepared to initiate group on her own as previously scheduled, therefore, we offered her gas vouchers to travel to our Pittsburg location to participate and oversee the T4C2 in March and April and commenced the group in the Parsons location in May 2013. All invitations were mailed in April 2013.

Goal: 100% of this agencies clients who are pending revocation based upon Absconding from supervision will be contacted by this Administration

**V**Objective #1: By August 1, 2012, this agency will develop a format of questions geared towards the discovery of issues surrounding each client's reasons for disengaging supervision.

Target Date: 8/1/12

Progress: By July 1, 2012, this agency had developed a set of questions for all returning absconders that would be asked by an administrator of this agency. Those questions include:

- 1. What is your main reason for absconding?
- 2. Tell us where you have been and what you have been doing since withdrawing from

supervision?

- 3. Did Substance Abuse play a part in withdrawing from supervision? If yes, How?
- 4. What could have changed your behavior? How could we have made this a more productive experience?
- 5. What issues were you addressing with your officer before you left?
- 6. What was your relationship like with your officer? On a scale of 1-10 how approachable were they?
- 7. If you are continued on supervision, what lifestyle changes are you willing to commit to?

Vobjective #2: At the end of FY 2013, this Director will compile the data received into a report to be evaluated by the Advisory Board and agency Administration.

Target Date: 6/30/13

Progress: A total of 55 interviews were conducted. Two additional interviews were needed, however those clients bonded out of Jail and immediately absconded again.

Of those 55 whom we interviewed:

 32-58% identified substance abuse as affecting the reason why they chose to quit reporting.

The remaining 23 who stated substance abuse did not play a role, gave the following reason for absconding:

- 1- Transportation issues
- 4- Overwhelmed
- Medical Issues
- 2- Mental Health Issues
- 4- Homeless/ Housing Issues
- 2- Went to be with family out of the area
- 1- To get a Court hearing
- 2- Thought they had a warrant out already
- 2- Family Issues
- 2- Arrested on new charges
- 2- Tired of being on supervision
- The average length of absconding was 93.5 days. With 3 days being the shortest stay and 762 days being the longest.
- 25 or 44.6% had at least 1 prior revocation
- When located, client's stated they had:
  - o Gone out of state-9 (16%)
  - Stayed at the same residence we had on file 15 (27%)
  - Stayed local, but not at same residence 17 (31%)
  - o Left the 11th JD area 14 (26%)

- The average rating they gave to their relationship with their ISO was: 7.4 on a scale of 1-10
  - When this is divided up by officer:
    - ISO 1 8.5%
    - ISO 2 9.1%
    - ISO 3 6.7%
    - ISO 4 9.3%
    - ISO5 6.7%
    - ISO 6 6%
    - ISO 7 5%
- In only 10% of the cases, did officers attempt or contact family members to engage their support in getting the client to report.
- In 14 of the cases (25%) Home Visits were attempted to try and locate client
  - Of the remaining absconders:
    - 4 were transfer out of compacts- No HV's possible by our agency
    - 11- we did speak with Family but did not attempt home visit
    - 25 (45%) no efforts were made outside of sending letters or attempting phone contact with client.
- The results of the revocation hearing on these cases are:
  - 7- (12.7%) are still pending
  - 2- (3.6%) were terminated by the Court
  - 13- (23.6%) were revoked and ordered to serve their sentence
  - 33- (60%) were revoked and re-instated

## **Outcome Goals**

#### Goal: To achieve a supervision success rate of at least 75% on discharged clients in FY 2013

At year end, this agency had discharged 98 individuals, with 29.6% having been revoked and 70.4% identified as successful.

Those revoked were listed as:

- 1- Revoked new misdemeanor
- 14- Revoked New Felony
- 14- Revoked Condition violator
  - 10 were absconders
  - 3- had new felony charges, but no convictions yet
  - 1- general non-compliance

## Objective #1: To reduce the overall risk score on 95% of all Successful Discharges

Target Date: 6/30/13

Progress: Overall there were 15 individuals with a successful discharged case in the 4th Quarter. Of those 15:

- 9 (60%) had decreased scores at Discharge,
- 3 had an initial risk level of 4 and subsequent LSIR's are not required unless there is dramatic change,
- 2 cases did not require a LSIR as they were compact cases,
- 1 (6%) case actually had an increased LSIR score, when the county attorney dismissed a revocation without extending supervision and the termination date had already passed. This case had to be terminated.

At year end, there were a total of 46 successful discharges:

- 29 (63%) had a decreased score,
- 3 (7%) had scores that remained the same
- 8 clients were not required discharge LSIR's
  - o 1- misdemeanor case
  - o 4- level 4 supervision at intake
  - o 3- compact cases
- 6 cases had increased LSIR's
  - 4 spiked mid supervision and were reduced again at discharge
  - 1 was a Court discharge at revocation
  - 1 was required discharge when CA office dismissed a revocation and failed to extend the case.

Target	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	Year End
95%	62.5%	53%	80%	63%

Modifications: It is obvious the language used in our goal should have reflected that the LSIR would not increase on successful completions so those that remained the same or were low initially and remained that way would not negatively reflect in our outcomes. We have cases where a client will initially risk low, but during supervision other characteristics are observed or discovered increasing their scores. Subsequent LSIR's may reduce from that scoring however it is possible that the reduction in risk is still higher than the initial LSIR. If we measured the percentage that actually increased their scores, it would reflect 94% for those discharged this 4th quarter and 87% for the entire year.

Objective #2: 90% of all active clients whose education level is not equivalent to a high school diploma will have a case plan goal focused towards testing and achievement of a higher education by discharge

Target Date: 6/30/13

Progress: In the 4th quarter, there were 15 individuals who were fully discharged successfully from supervision. Of those 15, five (5) had less than a high school degree at discharge:

- 3 (60%) of those five had case plans goals addressing education. One client received his GED while on supervision
- 1 had their requirement waived due to low functioning/testing
- 1 was a transfer out that the supervising jurisdiction did not focus on education

At year end, there were a total of 46 fully discharged successful clients, with 15 having less than a high school diploma:

- 9 of 15 had case plans geared towards furthering their education. (5 received their diploma)
- 2 clients were supervised by another agency who did not focus on education
- 3 clients had their continued education waived due to low functioning
- 1 client's GED was waived by the Court

Target	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	Year End
90%	100%	0%	100%	60%

Objective #3: 90% of all employable clients with a period of unemployment over 30 days will have a case plan developed outlining goals for employment opportunities within 15 days from their qualifying period

Target Date: 6/30/13

Progress: In reviewing the fourth Quarter statistics, we found 18 individuals who had an unemployment-employable period of 30 days or more. Of those 18, sixteen (16) or 88.9% had case plans completed on time. The remaining two were from the same officer who completed both case plans late.

At year end, we had a total of 100 individuals, who had an unemployment period of 30 days, with only 49 having case plans developed within the first 45 days. As noted, it seems within the 4th Quarter, officers were more cognizant of the employment needs on case plans and were able to almost double their previous quarter's compliance percentage.

Target	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Year End
90%	19%	48.3%	46.9	88.9%	49%

Challenges: When this agency set this goal, it was our belief that officers were updating their case plans on a regular basis to focus on the paramount issues of supervision. Where we know officers are constantly discussing employment, and leading employability and job search groups, it appears they were not always formally identifying goals with the client as part of case planning. A problem that continues to be of concern to this agency. Agency wide notice was sent in the beginning of the 2nd quarter to officers requiring all case plans be caught up before the end of October and reminding them that case planning, the backbone of supervision should be updated as needs are changing. A second notice was sent in April. Since that time, most officers have improved and increased their percentages of this goal. We have two officers who are continuing to struggle and this will become part of their goals for their performance evaluation.

Modifications: At few adjustments had to be made to the first few quarters, as figures were not adding up at year end. We discovered those previous stats were in accurate and have been adjusted on this report.

**V**Objective #4: Of those who successfully complete the T4C program, 75% will eventually be successfully discharged from Community Corrections

Target Date: 6/30/13

Progress: In the 4th Quarter, we had 3 discharges that had previously completed the Thinking for a Change Program, with 2 (66.7%) being successful discharges and 1 being a revocation (Condition violator). For the year end, we had a total of 7 clients discharged with T4C certificates 6 of which were discharged successfully.

Target	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	Year End
75%	100%	100%	N/A	85.7%

Discussion / Current Activities: To date there have 61 discharged clients who had completed the Thinking for a Change program. 48 or 78.6% of those discharges have been successful, with 13 or 21.4% of them discharging unsuccessfully.

## Objective #5: To lower the agency unemployment rate by 1% by the end of FY2013

Target Date: 6/30/13

Progress: Employment continues to be a difficult area for our clientele. Where some would not be eligible for employment due to other high risk areas, such as substance abuse or mental health reasons, many are struggling in this market flooded with qualified or over qualified people looking for employment as well. In the 4th Quarter of FY 2013, this agency recorded an unemployment rate of 30.6%. Over the entire year, we averaged an unemployment rate of 31.3%

Target	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	Year End
25.5	26.2%	32.5%	35%	31.3%

Discussion / Current Activities: Employability groups continue to be offered district wide. When further reviewing statistics, we had 28 people who have been terminated from employment at least once this fiscal year, with an additional 20 having quit their employment this year.

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September 30, 2013

John L. Berrey, Chairman Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma P.O. Box 765 Quapaw, OK 74363-0765

Dear Mr. Berrey:

The Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, was previously presented with a request for a letter of support to the efforts of the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma to obtain a suitable compact through the governor's office for the expansion by the tribe of gaming into Cherokee County, Kansas.

The Board, in order to be fully apprised of the facts and circumstances surrounding the proposed compact before it makes a determination upon the request, would respectfully request the following information: the proposed compact that was sent to Governor Brownback; any gaming study addressing the feasibility of expanding gaming into Kansas that has been sponsored or obtained by the tribe; a statement as to the commencement date and expected completion timeline of construction for the gaming facility in Kansas if it is authorized; a copy of any architectural plans related to the structure; the number and types of gaming devices and tables; the compensation due to Cherokee County, Kansas under the compact, and information pertaining to financial capacity to construct and equip the facility. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Board.

Sincerely,

Patrick W. Collins

County Commissioner

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