



Austin-Travis County Reentry Roundtable

*Building Successful Strategies for
Reentry and Reintegration in Austin/Travis County, Texas*
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PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, January 9, 2023
12:30-2:00 p.m.
Zoom

Members in attendance: Dr. Charles Moody (Chair), Melissa Shearer (Vice Chair), Cynthia Simons (RAP Representative), Sonja Burns (Community Representative), Jennifer Carter (Goodwill Industries of Central Texas), David Clauss (American YouthWorks), Juanita Garcia (Travis Co. Public Defender), Mia Greer (Community Coalition for Health), Cathy McClaugherty (Travis Co. Justice & Public Safety), Marsha Morgenroth (Travis County Adult Probation), Hank Perret (Community Representative), Louella Tate (Community Representative), Peter Valdez (City of Austin Community Court), Alex Villarreal (Integral Care)

Guests: Jordan Jones (MyFRSH), Kelli St. Clergy, Karen Boyd (Integral Care), Courtney Howe (Skillpoint Alliance), Dr. Patricia A. Alford (Bastrop County Cares), Julie Guirguis (Integral Care), Melissa Nachbaur

Support: Madeleine Jordan-Lord and Kelly Nichols

Advocacy Fellow: Amanda Cassidy-Trejo

I. 12:30-12:40 p.m. – Welcome

- a. Guest Introductions
- b. Advocacy Fellow Update – Amanda Cassidy-Trejo
 - Amanda has been surveying RAP participants, as well as system-impacted persons who have heard about RAP and not yet participated, through emails and in the meetings in order to work on the deliverable. The most common themes around RAP that have come out have been that RAP is a support group, a connection to advocacy, and a space to connect to resources. Amanda also assisted with the newsletter and responded to 5 Contact Us emails from the website.
- c. Announcement
 - The Roundtable would like to acknowledge Peter Valdez (DACC) for his years of service to the Roundtable as he is retiring at the end of January. Thank you, Pete! Pete will be honored by the City of Austin on January 26th at City Hall.

II. 12:40-12:50 p.m. – Voting Items

- a. WNA Consultant Support Contract
 - A motion to approve the 2023 WNA Consultant Support Contract was made by Dr. Louella Tate and seconded by Melissa Shearer. The motion was approved by raised hands with no abstentions.
- b. October 2022 Minutes
 - A motion to approve the October 2022 Minutes was made by Cynthia Simons and seconded by Mia Greer. The motion was approved by voice vote with no abstentions.
- c. November 2022 Minutes
 - A motion to approve the November 2022 Minutes was made by Mia Greer and seconded by Cynthia Simons. The motion was approved by voice vote with no abstentions.

III. 12:50-1:50 p.m. – Deliverables Work Session

- a. [Link to google drive with notes and resources](#)
 - Each group took notes on their discussion in the deliverables folder on Reentry Roundtable's Google Drive.
- b. Breakout Room Option #1: Governance Structure Deliverable
 - Design a blueprint for a more a sustainable organizational structure, including incorporating the perspectives of persons with lived and professional experience in the intersection of homelessness and reentry.
 - Documentation: Meeting agendas including stakeholders engaged for the review process, and a copy of the updated organizational government structure.
- c. Breakout Room Option #2: Community of Practice Deliverable
 - Co-create recommendations for next steps for a reentry community of practice, including engagement of area reentry partners to determine value proposition and bandwidth to participate.
 - Documentation: Report including an overview of findings (from surveys and/or interviews) and recommendations for next steps

IV. 1:50-2:00 p.m. –Member Updates & Announcements

- a. [Mobilize sign-up link](#) and [user guide](#)
- b. Advocacy opportunity: <https://www.texascje.org/finish-the-5>
- c. From David Clauss: A group I'm a part of is working on advocacy on the 'Raise the Age' issue and I wanted to know if anyone knew of bills being filed for the upcoming session

NEXT MEETING

Monday, February 13, 2022

12:30 – 2 p.m.

Zoom