

Minutes  
August 6, 2021  
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

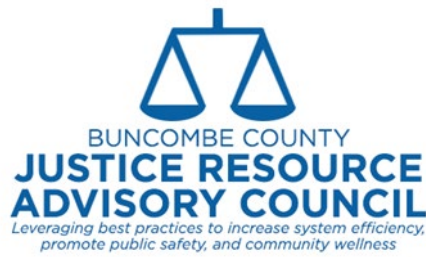
- Welcome
- DK Wesley open with roll call (see below)
- Consent of Agenda and Minutes: Quorum was not present, could not vote on this action item.
- New Business
  - Pretrial Services Annual Report Tiffany Iheanacho
    - Presentation on Pretrial Services Annual Report, a quick overview was provided for each slide, such as PSA's volume, recommendations, accuracy, risk factors, concurrency, referrals, closures by type, time frame from being booked or being released and being assigned to pre-trial, technical violation, public safety rate, and appearance rate.

Questions and further discussion regarding the report followed

- Behavioral Health Justice Collaborative Updates Sala Menaya-Merritt
  - Overview on Behavioral Health Justice Collaborative and next steps
  - A structure was implemented for each project, and team lead where established for reporting out each month, a report form was created
  - Upcoming meeting for the BHJC will be August 17 to established roles

No further question or discussion regarding the BHJC

- Safety and Justice Challenge Updates Hannah Legerton and Hector Salgado
  - Brief update on Safety and Justice Challenge presentation to include review of grant objectives, jail population with increase in population, data on tracking recidivism, and SJC goals,
  - 2021-23 renewal strategies: SJC is working with several partners to develop and implement strategies to reduce community violence. Buncombe County invited to participate in SJC Racial Equity Cohort grant of \$500,000 over two years split between the County and a community partner. The goal of the grant is to support community violence prevention efforts and to reduce failure to appear.
  - Hector Salgado, Equity and Inclusion Coordinator for SJC grant provided a brief introduction.



No further question or discussion regarding the SJC

- JRAC Membership Update DK Wesley
  - New members have been added to the roster:
    - i. Tiffany Iheanacho, has taken the seat for the Pretrial Services Program Manager
    - ii. Mayor Tony Gould will be representing the Buncombe County Sherriff's Office
  - Nomination for JRAC Vice-Chair will be sent out, if interested please reply to the request so it can be voted on at the next JRAC meeting. Brief description of Vice-Chair responsibility was provided.
  - Strategic Plan, Agenda or June minutes vote will be delayed to next meeting as quorum was not present.
- Announcements and Departmental Updates
  - Question presented if JRAC will continue to be virtual or are there plans to move to hybrid meetings or in in-person meetings. DK clarified that due to current rise of numbers she recommended to stay virtual.

No further announcement or public comments.

- Adjourned at 1:25 pm

*Next meeting: October 1, 2021 at 12:30 pm, Zoom Link.*



# Membership List

Name	Title	Organization	
Jasmine Beach-Ferrara	Commissioner	Buncombe County Board of Commissioner	
DK Wesley	Assistant County Manager	Buncombe County Manager's Office	P
Tony Gould	Major	Buncombe County Sheriff's Office	P
Pat Freeman	Identification Director	Buncombe County Bureau of Identification	
Sylvia Clement	Chief Court Counselor	NC 28 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District Juvenile Justice	
Danny Cowan	Magistrate	NC 28 <sup>th</sup> Judicial Magistrates Office	
The Hon. Alan Thornburg	Superior Court Judge	NC 28 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District Superior Court	
The Hon. Todd Williams (Meredith Presley)	District Attorney	NC 28 <sup>th</sup> Prosecutorial District	P
Vacant		NC 28 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District Superior Court	
Vacant		NC 28 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District Clerk's Office	
Sam Snead	Chief Public Defender	NC 28 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District Public Defender's Office	
Tiffany Iheanacho	Justice Services Director	Buncombe County Pretrial Services	P
Donald Reuss (Designee)	Director Provider	Vaya Health	P
David Zack	Chief APD	Asheville Police Department	
Thomas Amburgey	Private Attorney	Defense Bar Association	
Julia Horrocks	Private Attorney	Coordinated Community Response DV/SA	P
Suzanne Avett	HHS Attorney	Buncombe County HHS	P
Rachael Nygaard	Director	Buncombe County Strategic Partnership	
Debra Campbell	City Manager	City of Asheville	P
Esther Manheimer	Mayor of Asheville	City of Asheville	
Lori Anderson	Probation	Probation/Parole	
Joseph Hackett	Community Representative	Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church	P
Robert Thomas	Community Representative	Racial Justice Coalition	