

Citizen Advisory Committee  
12.18.14  
Notes

In attendance: Debbie Thibault, Eileen Blackwood, Bruce Bovat, Richard Kemp, Marija Valencak, Jane Knodell (by phone)

Staff: Stuart Recicar and Karen Vastine

1. *The CAC reviewed and approved the agenda.*
2. *The CAC reviewed and approved notes from 11.21.14.*
3. *The CAC had a confidential discussion of two potential cases for the COSA program: The CAC approved one individual for additional consideration by the Chittenden Reentry Panel. The CAC recommended that a decision regarding the second referral be delayed until additional information became available.*
4. *Discussion of the director's transition to a new position: The CAC recommended that an interim director be identified, that they review the draft budget at the next meeting and that Human Resources be in touch with the entire group regarding dates for candidate interviews with the hope that a member would be able to join.*
5. *Act 195 – Pretrial services: The CAC recommended that should the BCJC be involved in supervision only with the grant that no additional approval was needed. If the BCJC will be looking to add a staff position with the grant that more discussion and approval will be required.*
6. *Restorative Justice and Schools: The BCJC will support a new initiative to bring peace-making circles to Burlington High School as a way to help youth and school personnel re-connect after absence due to suspension.*
7. *Department for Children & Families – Systems Improvement RFP – Update: The joint application by Court Diversion and Community Justice Center programs was not selected.*
8. **Next Meeting Confirmed: 1.8.15**