DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE REVIEW AND EVALUATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES MARCH 5, 2010 3:00PM

COMMUNITY COURT, 719 E. 6TH STREET Austin, Texas

Subcommittee Members Present:
Dennis Barkway, Austin Recovery
Marshall Jones, DAA
Tim Miles, Foundation Communities
William Kelly, Univ. of Texas

Subcommittee Members Absent:

none

Guest Members Present:

Bruce Mills Emily Thomas, UT Katherine Flores, UT Staff Members Present

Pete Valdez, Acting Court Administrator Luz Lozano, Analyst/Programmer

I. Call meeting to order.

- Opening remarks and introductions.
 Bill Kelly called the meeting to order at 3:10pm.
- Approval of minutes from last meeting: February 12, 2010.

Bill called for a motion to approve the minutes. Marshall Jones motioned. Seconded by Tim Miles. Approved.

II. Presentation, discussion, and action on the following items:

a. Identify data-related questions about DACC operations.

Bill Kelly announced that the subcommittee would meet every other month in

the future. A subset of the subcommittee will do the legwork of putting together a statistical picture of where the court is, how this corresponds to the original mission, and recommendations for any needed changes.

Marshall Jones said that the group will consider what information is being collected by the court, how it is being collected, and on what clients. A long discussion followed on the number of assessments that have been done to date. There was also a discussion of the kinds of information contained in the DACC client database, notes entered by case managers, and confidential paper files kept by the court. The group raised the issue of how much time and effort goes into "fine" cases and whether such cases could be handled by Municipal Court.

b. Unmet DACC client needs and potential partner agencies.

The group touched briefly on services and the level of funding that DACC had in previous years.

Marshall Jones informed the group that he would like to talk to Charles Locklin about having the full Advisory Committee support a recommendation that the Downtown Austin Alliance pay \$2800 to two University of Texas interns working with Bill Kelly to go through the court data and provide (a summary report). No one on the subcommittee raised objection. No formal recommendation was made by the subcommittee.

Bill Kelly went over remaining data requests.

c. Citizen Communication. None

III. Discuss next meeting date, place and agenda items.

No date was set at the time of the meeting.

IV. Adjourn.

Bill Kelly made a motion to adjourn. Tim Miles seconded. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 4:40pm.