Meeting Called by: Commissioner of Public Safety, Keith Mallard (acting)

Date: December 17, 2013

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory Classroom

Board Attendees:

DPS: Acting Director Jeffrey Laughlin, Proxy for Acting Commissioner Keith Mallard

DOC: Deputy Commissioner Leslie Houston (proxy) by phone

Alaska Judicial Council: Executive Director Larry Cohn

Alaska Court System: Administrative Director Christine Johnson

Public Member: Del Smith

DOL: Rick Svobodny, by phone

DHSS: Ree Sailors by phone

Absent:

DOA

Chief Mew, Anchorage Police Department

Other Attendees:

Alden Larrabee (DPS)

Kathryn Monfreda (DPS)

Joseph Mannion (Alaska Court System)

Cindy Franklin (Municipality of Anchorage)

Joe Butler (DOC)

Michael Matthews (DOC), by phone

Gary Lee (DPS)

Joel Garcia (DPS)

Acting Director Laughlin began the meeting at 10:00 AM

Topic 1: Review of last meeting minutes.

Membership reviewed the minutes, no comments or revisions.

Topic 2: Storage and retention of meeting minutes.

Discussion:

Where are records of the Board’s activities stored and posted for public access? There was a CJIAB link on the DPS Commissioner website, but it has been deactivated. Recent CJIAB records are on the MAJIC website.

Action:

Board directed reactivation of their own page on the DPS site for publication of the public records of the board. Assigned to Gary Lee

Topic 3: Status report: GRA demonstration project, ACS – MOA.

Presenters:

Cindy Franklin and Joseph Mannion

Presentation:

Board sponsor Christine Johnson, asked Cindy Franklin, Municipal Prosecutor, and Joe Mannion, ACS Chief Technology Officer, to present the progress report. Cindy and Joe co-manage the project.

Joe Mannion reports the data architecture analysis is complete, data modeling is in progress, a grant application has been submitted through SEARCH with awards to be announced after the first of the year, and a meeting with SEARCH and Department of Administration to develop the bus is scheduled for 12-20-2018. Overall program is still estimated at 12-18 months to completion.

Cindy Franklin reports that the Muni already has the vendor provided software that creates complaints, and is working with the vendor to create the adaptor. More than 12 hours of meetings with John Skidmore and others in the DOL, the Juneau prosecutor office and other agencies is examining business practices to identify impacts and make the demonstration exportable to other agencies.

Action:

Project is ongoing, to be updated again at the next meeting.

Topic 4: Fingerprinting of arrestees: DOC – DPS / reconvene Fingerprint Working Group.

Presenter:

Kathy Monfreda, Chief, Criminal Records and Identification Bureau

Presentation:

The Chair asked Kathy Monfreda to review the topic. The previously identified issue is that many people who have been arrested are not fingerprinted. Starting in April and ongoing, Kathy has worked with DOC Joe Butler and Mike Matthews and much progress has been realized toward getting all people who go through the DOC fingerprinted.

The reconstitution of the Fingerprint Working Group has not been completed.

Discussion:

Del Smith asked if ATN is still in use. It is, and is nearly 80% accurate. But one isn’t initiated for arrests on a probation violation or warrant, and doesn’t encompass 100% of arrests.

From the Chair, a significant issue is the client base that doesn’t ever see a DOC facility. A huge portion of criminal charges are a summons, i.e., cite and release. Most of those are disposed by the arraigning judicial office and settled by a fine without any reason to go to DOC.

Rick Svobodny noted that the statute requires a judicial officer to determine if prints have been taken, and if not then to order their delivery.

Cindy Franklin noted that there is no guidance or process of how the judge is supposed to know, other than “defendant’s honor.” Non-compliance to a judge’s order is not tracked, documented, or penalized.

Christine Johnson asks how Alaska compares to the other states. Kathy Monfreda notes that Alaska is the only state that includes all offense arrests, even without fingerprints, into the state repository (APSIN). Other states only document arrests with fingerprints. Comparison data is significantly unequal.

Action:

The Chair comments to the high priority and importance of working out a solution. This topic will be reviewed again at the next meeting.

Topic 5 and 6 (considered together): Governance of criminal justice information sharing projects and Documentation of how the CJIAB will work.

Discussion:

In the previous meeting, the Board observed that it would be advantageous to have a guidance and procedures document to define how the Board functions. John Skidmore (DOL) discussed a need to establish documentation of how the CJIAB will work, and agreed to draft initial document for further discussion at the next meeting.

John Skidmore is not available for today’s meeting. Items shelved to next meeting.

Rick Svobodny notes that the Adjutant General sent to the Commissioner of Public Safety a copy of the 60 page Hawaii justice sharing system guidance. Hawaii is very similar to Alaska in governmental design, their experience is presented as useful to Alaska.

Requested by the Chair:

Rick Svobodny gave an update on the DOL transition to a new case management system. Several qualified and viable vendors responded to the proposal to provide the system. Negotiations are under way with the successful bidder, expect contract by the end of January. Anticipate after bid award 1 year to deployment.

Topic 7: Gender identity / change (APSIN).

Discussion:

The issue reflects consideration of a court order to DMV to change the gender shown on a driver’s license. The Board discussion was that DPS has a different focus than DMV. The persons actual DNA is critical to identification, in contrast to what they may express as their identity.

Action:

The issue needs legal analysis to guide the Board. Rick Svobodny agrees to provide a legal analysis and opinion.

Topic 8: Restoration of firearms rights after felony conviction (APSIN). Tabled for future consideration.

Topic 9: Use of a single identifier (APSIN ID)

Presenter:

Alden (Tim) Larrabee, DPS IT Manager

Presentation:

Basic coding for a system to system transmission of APSIN ID is complete

Security issues are being addressed, for machine to machine to ensure authorized user, and for sorting information available to and from different users.

DJJ is the first exchange partner on the list, as the demonstration project model. DPS expects to provide DJJ with the programming needs by mid-January.

As soon as the demonstration model with DJJ is successful, additional agencies will be incorporated.

Discussion:

Christine Johnson asks more about the process. When DJJ gets a juvenile offender, they will send the offender’s identification and demographic information to DPS. DPS provides a “score sheet” of probable accurate identification. If satisfied a high enough probability, a match to an existing APSIN ID or a creation of a new ID will be returned to DJJ for the initiation of their report. The APSIN ID is permanent and will stay with the person.

Ree Sailors asks about other uses in other HSS groups. A survey of other groups and their uses hasn’t been undertaken, but the data will be available if needs are identified in future requests.

Christine Johnson asked DOC if they are collecting APSIN numbers. Joe Butler responds that they are when the ID number is available. It is not possible to back load APSIN IDs into old files.

Christine is concerned that entry of the APSIN ID into Courtview records is purely manual. The opportunity for error is not good, and courts would like to see electronic exchange of the number as soon as possible.

Joe Butler requested a demonstration of the ID exchange from Tim Larrabee.

Additional Items:

None presented

Next Meeting:

1. Next meeting date to be after the end of the legislative session. Proposed date is April 22, 2014, at 10:00 am, in the same classroom space at the crime lab.
2. Next meeting agenda:
3. Update on the use of a single identifier (APSIN ID)
4. Carry on the discussion of governance of criminal justice information sharing projects by the CJIAB
5. Update on compliance with AS 12.80.060 (Fingerprinting)
6. Update on the MAJIC GRA demonstration project
7. To be announced

Meeting Adjourned at 10:55 am