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**MEETING MINUTES**  
**RESTORATIVE JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Date:** October 11, 2022

**Time:** 11:00AM-1:00PM

**Microsoft Teams Virtual Location:** [Click here to join the meeting](#)

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**Agenda Items:**

**1. Call to Order**

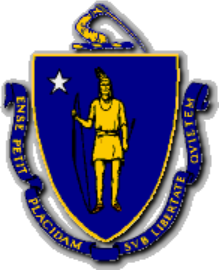
The meeting was called to order by Chairman Peck at 11:07am.

		Video Call	Absent	Meeting Minutes
1	<b>Chair</b> -Andrew Peck	X		Yes
2	Scott Taberner		X	
3	Rep. Sean Garballey		X	
4	Sen. James Eldridge*	X		Yes
5	DA Marian Ryan**	X		
6	Allison S. Cartwright	X		Yes
7	Lorna Spencer		X	
8	Ret. Chief Fred Ryan	X		Yes
9	Diane Coffey	X		Yes
10	Andrea Berte	X		Yes
11	Judge Rosemary Mineham		X	
12	Kara Hayes	X		Yes
13	Carolyn Boyes- Watson		X	
14	Erin Freeborn			Abstain
15	Dennis D. Evertt Jr.	X		Yes
16	Susan Jeghelian			Abstain
17	Vacant			

\*Left at 11:45am

\*\* Joined after Roll Call and approval of draft meeting minutes

**EOPSS Staff:** Anjeza Xhemollari and Don Boyed



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**Others in attendance:** Over 5 members of the public attend the open meeting.

### **2. Welcome**

Chairman Andrew Peck welcomed all committee members and attendance was taken.

### **3. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 9, 2022**

Prior to approval of draft meeting minutes, Kara Hayes asked to make edits on #5 and strike down her comments. Allison made a motion to approve the draft meeting minutes. The motion was second by Senator James Eldridge. Roll call was taken. Meeting minutes were approved.

### **4. Roxbury Community College (RCC) Presentation by Jeff Van Dreason**

Jeff Van Dreason presented to RJAC on the partnership between RCC and the Committee. RCC is tasked with creating a devoted team of students to create the inventory. The research will be completed within the year. The inventory will include contact information, summary, population, geographical area served, and identifying information (race, gender, socioeconomic background).

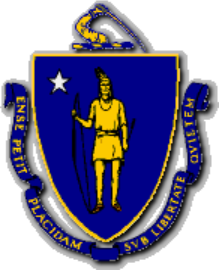
The Honors Program with RCC will fall into 4 steps.

1. The Fall-Plan, will be to develop the Colloquium.
2. The Spring-Plan, will be to implement and run the Honors RJAC Colloquium, hire a part-time data analyst and have students work on the research project.
3. The Spring-Data, students will review and refine inventory data.
4. Finally, RCC will present findings to RJAC. The database will be useable to allow users search data within a few clicks.

As of now, RCC has recruited students in the Restorative Justice in the Courts Honors Course and will continue to recruit. Faculty members have selected to develop the Colloquium curriculum to build around the RJAC inventory project. RCC will also work to promote students in the Honors program who need the Colloquium to graduate as an honors student and working on hiring a part-time data analyst to help with the data collection.

Members of the committee were excited about the partnership and had some follow-up questions.

Dennis-Is there a process that's restorative in doing this work?



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Jeff-We have not done that yet. Not easy to implement and get the curriculum going at the same time.

Dennis-As a member of this committee, can we attend a class and see what is going on?

Jeff-Yes. We could work on something and have you engaged with the students. The classes are hybrid.

Erin-How many students have already registered?

Jeff-As of now, 3 students are signed up to take the class.

### **5. Grant Update**

Chairman Peck presented the AGF to the Committee and asked for feedback. Overall, the Committee was pleased with the AGF and did not have any major edits. The due date of the application was incorrect and OGR was going to make that change.

The Chair informed members of the Committee that if there were questions around conflict to email Arielle and inquire further information.

Erin-Asked if a Webinar was going to be available on how to apply for the grant?

Anjeza-Yes, we could do that. We will work with OGR and include the webinar date/time on the posting of the application.

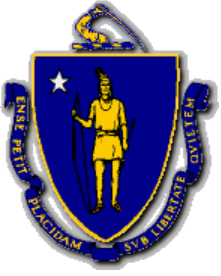
Susan-Who will serve on the grant selection subcommittee to review and decide on applications?

Chair-Please email Anjeza with your interest in serving on the selection committee and list potential conflicts and organizations.

### **6. Annual Report Update**

Kara Hayes presented a short update regarding the Annual Report. Kara and Erin are working together in gathering all the presentations, summary of work for calendar year 2022, updating the committee membership, listing of subcommittees, partnership with RCC, how to recruit new members to the Committee, list of core recommendations, office of RJ and future funding to do this important work.

Kara and Erin will have a better draft of what the report will look like in November.



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**7. Public Comment (10 minutes)**

Brenda Nolan-Appreciative of the thorough and messy conversations.

Jill-Echo on what Brenda said. Glad to hear conversations around conflict of interest. Still confused about the resignation of Strong Oak.

**8. Open Session for Topics not Reasonably Anticipated within 48 Hours of the Meeting**

Kara Hayes and Erin Freeborn talked about presenting in November and December. Kara is interested in talking about VOEG