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MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

August 13, 2021

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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Advisory Body Members Present: Hon. David. M. Rubin, Chair; Hon. Ann Moorman, Vice Chair; Hon. C. Todd Bottke; Hon. Carin T. Fujisaki, Hon. Brad R. Hill; Hon. Harold W. Hopp; Mr. Kevin Harrigan

Advisory Body Members Absent:

Others Present: Mr. John Wordlaw, Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Ms. Fran Mueller; Hon. Jonathan Conklin, Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Ms. Angela Cowan, Ms. Laura Speed, Mr. Doug Kauffroath, Ms. Charlene Depner, Ms. Shelley Curran, Ms. Pella McCormick, Mr. John Larson, Mr. Michael Hersek, Ms. Heather Petit, Mr. Eric Schnurpfeil, Ms. Leah Rose-Goodwin, Ms. Laura Speed, Ms. Brandy Olivera, Ms. Marcela Eggleton,

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the May 18, 2021 Judicial Branch Budget Committee (Budget Committee) meeting and the May 26, 2021 action by email.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-2)

Item 1 - \$60 Million One-Time COVID-Driven Caseload Backlog Funding (Action Required)

Consideration of the 2021-22 one-time trial court allocation recommendation from the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) to address backlogs and workload delays resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Ms. Leah Rose-Goodwin, Manager, Judicial Council Business Management Services
Ms. Oksana Tuk Senior Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: The Budget Committee unanimously approved the following recommendations to allocate the \$60 million one-time COVID-driven caseload backlog funding included in the 2021 Budget Act for consideration at the October 1, 2021 Judicial Council business meeting:

- 1) Approve the updated data-driven methodology that utilizes both filings and dispositions by case type to calculate a clearance rate,
- 2) Allocate half of the funding, \$30 million, in October 2021, based on the most updated filings and clearance data available through March 2021,
- 3) Allocate the second \$30 million in January 2022 based on the most recent filings and clearance data available at the time,
- 4) Adopt, the TCBAC recommendation to include complex case types in the data used for the allocation methodology, in the event there is future COVID-driven caseload backlog funding.

Item 2 - \$140 Million Pretrial Funding (Action Required)

Consideration of the 2021-22 one-time and ongoing allocation recommendation from TCBAC for trial courts to contract with probation departments or other county departments for the provision of pretrial monitoring and services.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Ms. Deirdre Benedict, Supervising Analyst, Judicial Council Criminal Justice Services

Action: The Budget Committee unanimously approved the TCBAC recommendation for approval of the 2021-22 Pretrial Release allocations as outlined in Attachment C for recommendation to the Judicial Council at its October 1, 2021 business meeting.

Item 3 - \$4.45 Million AB 1058 Reimbursement Authority Increase (Action Required)

Consideration of a recommendation from TCBAC to utilize increased reimbursement authority to cover the increased contract amount with the Department of Child Support Services in support of the AB 1058 Child Support Commissioner (CSC) and Family Law Facilitator (FLF) Programs.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Mr. Don Will, Deputy Director, Judicial Council Center for Families, Children, & the Courts
Ms. Anna Maves, Supervising Attorney, Judicial Council Center for Families, Children & the Courts

Action: The Budget Committee unanimously approved the following TCBAC recommendations for the allocation of an additional and ongoing \$4.45 million in base funding for the AB 1058 Child Support Commissioner (CSC) and Family Law Facilitator (FLF) program based on current funding methodologies and approved a technical adjustment to 2021-22 CSC base allocations for consideration at the October 1, 2021 Judicial Council business meeting:

- (1) Allocate additional funding to the CSC program for 2021–22, and a technical adjustment to a small number of courts' base allocation approved by the Judicial Council on July 9, 2021, as set forth in Attachment A.
- (2) Allocate additional funding to the FLF program for 2021–22 as set forth in Attachment B.

- (3) Approve recommendation for 2021–22 AB 1058 program funding for the courts for the total base funding allocations derived from recommendations 1 and 2, and the application of the additional federal drawdown funding, as set forth in Attachment C1 and C2

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED ITEMS 1-4)

Info 1 - 2021-22 Budget Update

Update on the enacted 2021-22 judicial branch budget

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Deputy Director, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: No action taken

Info 2 – Annual Funding Methodology Subcommittee (FMS) Work Plan Update

Overview of the annual FMS work plan update as approved by TCBAC.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Mr. Catrayel Wood, Senior Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: No action taken

Info 3 – Trial Court Executive Summary Display

Overview of the 2021-22 allocation summary display for distribution to all 58 trial courts.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Ms. Oksana Tuk, Senior Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: No action taken

Info 4 – Trial Court Trust Fund Funds Held on Behalf Expenditure Reporting

Overview of the quarterly report to the TCBAC on how funds were expended for trial court projects and planned expenditures that are complete.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee
Mr. Catrayel Wood, Senior Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: No action taken

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on November 4, 2021.