

# Saline County, KS

## Citizens Jail/Criminal Justice Advisory Committee

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### Minutes

Date: September 4, 2014  
Time: 6:00pm to 7:30pm  
Location: Sheriff's Training Room

#### Introductions:

Sheriff Kochanowski opened the meeting and welcomed back, the committee participants.

Jim Robertson	Consultant/Facilitator
John Burchill	Committee Member
Jerry Fowler	Committee Member
Janice Morris	Committee Member
John Tillman	Committee Member
Christina Trocheck	Committee Member
Joel Wilmer	Committee Member
Mary Lou Roberts	Committee Member
Darrell Wilson	Committee Member
Jim Gile	County Commissioner
Todd Heitschmidt	Court Administer Saline County District Court
Jim Fletcher	Private Citizen Pack
John Reynolds	Private Citizen Pack
Natasha Behner	Access TV
Glenn Kochanowski	Saline County Sheriff
Rick Hansmann	Saline County Captain
Dave Dunstan	Salina County Under Sheriff
Donna Moore	Saline County Jail Administration Secretary

1. Sheriff Kochanowski opened the meeting and introduced Jim Fletcher and John Reynolds who are forming a Private Citizen Pack for raising private funds for advertising, and Natash Behner who will be preparing a presentation through Access TV. He also informed that the Chamber of Commerce voted to back this project.
2. Jim Robertson introduced a sample PowerPoint presentation to be reviewed and modified by the committee.
  - a. Review of the Fact Sheet handout and Historical Overview.
  - b. There are a number of photos covering Building Limitations, Inmate Transportation, Building Limitations at District Court, Building Limitations at Community Corrections
    - Too many Photos only 2 per page

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- No people in photos, need photos depicting the perspective of overcrowding, congestion and cross traffic of the public (victims, witnesses, jury applicants) and inmates
  - Captions identifying photos
  - Script for presenter on each slide
- c. Breakdown of limitations of Public Access, Safety, Space, Health Issues and Technology
- d. What is the Future
- Population projections
  - What happens to 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor after everybody has moved out. City has stated they have no interest in project or 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor.
  - Use footprint slides from past presentations including Parking
  - Status Quo what are the consequences if we don't restructure for Courts/playing down the jail. Costs associated with Status Quo compared to Renovation.
  - Lead with Criminal Justice Center as the key issue and that now is the time to do a Jail Expansion at the same time.
- e. Comments / Questions:
- Jail population has already reached 10 year projection Can we build with the option future expansion without leaving this site due to same problem of eventual overcrowding.
  - Percentage of Population, Race/Ethnicity, Residency, Ave Length of Stay
  - Programs in place to keep people out of jail. Make clear that this is a jail (detention facility) and not a prison or rehabilitation facility.
  - Sales Tax comparison with surrounding communities.
  - Methodology and some Historical information can be deleted.
  - We are not getting much helpful information from other facilities that have implemented a CJS.

In Summary: Cost Effective, Increased Community Safety, Builds Community Values, Meets the Long Term Needs of the Community, and Provides Sustainable Options as We Go Forward.

3. Mr. Robertson will rework the presentation according to this meetings discussion. Committee members are asked to volunteer as representatives to be available to go out to make presentations when it becomes available.
4. Next Meeting will be scheduled when the presentation is completed.