

Grafton County Executive Committee Jail Sub-Committee

Minutes 3/19/2012

Present: Rep. Almy, Rep. White, Rep. Ladd, Rep. Smith

Meeting convened at noon. Members reviewed draft copies of final report of subcommittee which was written by Reps. Almy & Ladd with a short addendum by Rep. Smith.

Rep. White asked about prevention programs – substance abuse etc. All agreed that the county needs these programs – the goal being to cut back on recidivism. 2012 budget approved funding for full-time counselors but committee not sure whether these counselors are presently on staff or contracted, or what the status will be in new facility.

No way to judge how effectively substance abuse and other counseling is working until new facility is up and running. Members agreed that we would like to convene again in 6-9 months to evaluate the prevention programs.

Rep. Almy will consolidate the draft reports and Rep. Smith's addition and send out to all members to be approved. Rep. Ladd suggested 2 sentences to be pulled from report as a synopsis paragraph at close of document. Report will be presented to Executive Committee at April meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Suzanne Smith