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Onondaga County Justice Center Oversight Committee

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March 6, 2025 Meeting minutes DRAFT Onondaga County/Syracuse Justice Center Oversight Committee

Committee members present in-person: Chairperson Marissa Mims, Vice Chair Jeff

Marier, Tricia Wittkowski, John Falge, and Cassandra Jones Ingram

Absent: Nicole Godfrey and JoAnne Spoto Decker

Community present: No one present from the community.

County staff present: Human Rights Specialist Anthony Heard Sr., Monica Williams and

Montanette Rocker.

Opening: Meeting began at 5:38 p.m.

Chair's report: None

Agenda: Approved March 6, 2025 agenda: 5-0

Minutes: Approved January 8, 2025 meeting minutes: 5-0

Human Rights Specialist report:

- Population: Information not available. Will present population stats at May meeting.
- Illness: Information not available.
- Number of complaints this week: "Calls have been pretty light. 1-3 calls per day," according to HRS Anthony Heard. "There was one call in reference to Ramadan."

Discussion: JCOC members drafted the 2024 recommendations. There were six recommendations involving policy and training. It was discussed that, if questioned by county and city leaders, that the JCOC should be able to provide general examples for each recommendation it has made.

Approval of 2024 Recommendations: Motion to approve the 2024 Recs by John Falge. Seconded by Jeff Marier. Approved: 5-0. No abstentions. No nays.

Follow-up: Members discussed current events surrounding NYS carceral institutions and the 90-day pause of the Human Alternatives to Long-Term Solitary Confinement Act (HALT).

Meeting ended at 6:43 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Montanette Rocker on March 6, 2025