



County of Onondaga
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Onondaga County Justice Center Oversight Committee

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January 7, 2026, Meeting minutes **DRAFT**
Onondaga County/Syracuse Justice Center Oversight Committee

Committee members present in-person: Dr. Rishana Cohen, Cassandra Ingram

Committee members via phone: Tricia Wittkowski, John Falge, JoAnne Decker

Absent: Marissa Mims, Jeff Marier, Dr. Jay Brenner, Nicole Godfrey, NP

Community present: n/a

County staff present: Anthony Heard, Monica Williams, Montanette Rocker

Opening: Meeting began at 5:43 p.m. (Meeting started late due to technical difficulties with sound equipment.)

Chair's report: n/a

JCOC will approve agenda(s): Committee member John Falge motioned to approve the January 2026 agenda, seconded by JoAnne. Members voted 5-0 to approve.

JCOC will approve the minutes: Committee member Cassandra Ingram motioned to approve the Dec. 3, 2025, meeting minutes, Tricia Wittkowski seconded. Members voted 5-0 to approve the minutes.

Human Rights Specialist report:

- Population: 432 total population inside the jail. There are 29 female detainees on Pod 2C and 7 females in the General Housing pod. The female detainees are on 2C because the jail is installing cameras throughout the housing units so that there are no blind spots anywhere within the housing units inside the jail.
- Illness: None
- Other important items to discuss: n/a

Discussion: Members reviewed the recommendations and agreed to submit the recs to community stakeholders. The committee asked if there had been further complaints from detainees regarding death-bed visits and there have not been any additional complaints.

Executive Session: n/a

Meeting adjourned: Cassandra made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Committee Member Rishana Cohen. Members voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting ended at 5:56 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Montanette Rocker on Jan. 8, 2026