

CRCC Local Family Council

Date: Friday, June 14, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

AGENDA

Time	Topic	Discussion Leader
10:00- 10:05	Welcome and Announcements Housekeeping/Roll Call	Vaaia Gaines, Superintendent
10:05- 10:10	Review of last LFC Meeting Minutes	Mary Mansour, Family Co-Chair
10:10- 10:15	Statewide Family Council	Scarlett Williams
10:15-10:25	Old Business: Did we ever get outdoor misting stations set up? In past there have been issues with people getting infractions for blocking sun in windows etc	No, CRCC is a green facility.
	Visitation - can we bring books in? Can books be donated?	Books are not authorized. Form DOC 21-966 Donations Approval Request must be submitted, it will be reviewed and approved by the appropriate facility/office authority or designee.
	ADA tables at visitation - is it possible to get more of these so they do not fill up?	Turner will look into getting more open tables.

New EFV policy (families asking what has changed?	Major changes to include updated procedures and eligibility requirements.
Yard lights at camp - can we get these in the budget? Any update?	Not at this time. It was requested but was not budgeted for.
Can we have a tier rep join LFC calls a few times a year?	Superintendent Gaines will discuss with Executive Leadership to review.
	We try to keep from having blinds in the facility to a minimum as they pose a security risk.
Can we get blinds for the upper windows in visitation?	Unfortunately, tinting would be quite costly as all windows would have to be replaced to be done correctly. The building was actually designed to have the natural light come in.
Can doors be propped open for ADA purposes?	No, they are fire doors. Looking into solutions with CPMs.
Is there way of knowing when Securus is down?	Associate Supt. Turner will look into. If it is a statewide issue, it is posted. If it is a facility issue, we need to be made aware of and we will notify HQ.
It does not take forms of payment that are outside of the US or are linked to an address outside the US.	Associate Supt. Turner will look into. This might be a statewide question.
Can we get statistics on contraband found within the facility?	Associate Supt. Turner will look into it with Captain Long.
Can a hearings officer join the next LFC meeting?	Hearing Officers Joshua Cruger and David Niles have been invited to attend.
Can we have a tier rep join LFC calls a few times a year?	Might be possible for the August meeting with rotating tier reps.

10:25-11:00	New Business: What is the new DOC mail policy? Inmates can no longer receive the original greeting cards or postcards, only copies.?	Effective June 15 th , 2024, greeting cards and postcards sent to I/Is will be photocopied by the mailroom, copies only will be issued to I/Is. Original contents and envelops will be disposed by mailroom following procedure.
	Vendors are not refilling the vending machines every day. They only come once during the week to fill it up for Friday visit and never returning until the next week, Friday. At times they are empty. Can this be fixed?	Supt. Gaines will look into.
	MSU visitation is dirty. This includes tables, microwaves inside and out, bathrooms, and floors. Visitation officers claims the porter cleans but have yet to see a porter clean. I have seen a porter go in to take pictures. Why is the officer just utilizing the Porter to take pictures only?	Will look into. Porter should not be taking pictures.
	MSU EFV visits check in guidelines, without a body scanner MSU food inspection has a different process. An officer has mentioned guidelines have changed over time and its unknown what day certain foods will be allowed. Written guidelines would be helpful for MSU EFV.	There are established guidelines.
	Can we get paper and pencil next to the "suggested visitor box" in the visitor's room? I have asked several times and the officers do not provide them.	Will look for the forms and add it back into visitation.
	Can we get a place of compliments as well?	

Chow hall flooding, sewage issues, boats as meals?	Dish pit got stuck; if dished can't be washed then I/Is would have received boats. Gaines will look into. Was only an issue for a day, should be resolved.
Can we stay for full visit if we register for events and not leave at 3pm? If its full, at 5, can they ask for volunteers to leave like they used to? Some of us drive a long way so it would be nice to stay and participate even if it's not our visit day.	Visitors are not asked to leave even if it is not their day for visitation. If it is full, others cannot be asked to leave, usually volunteers do leave.
Can we get an ice machine in visiting?	Will look into?
Why are there so many Securus issues lately?	IIU to look into.
Cornhole bags are needed.	I-Unit and Camas have recently received cornhole bags. If this is for a different unit I/Is should contact CUS to reach out to CPMs.
Why are trouble tickets taking so long?	Securus is responsible for helping with trouble tickets, they have their process.
Can we get fans for EFV units since no one can adjust the heat control? Also requested for EFV units: cheese grater and bed bug proof mattress cover?	Supt. Gaines will look into what sheets were ordered for bed bugs. Fans were ordered and should be in EFV units, will double check.
Securus shows up with no notice or appointment to the units. If people are working, in school or medical they miss out having service as needed.	IIU might be able to send notifications, will look into.

	Can we get clarification on sign up process for events? This has been changed and no one has been advised on how to sign up?	Family Friendly events process was updated on the event calendar.
	Union supply - new issues: having to call the bank each time to verify funds and orders etc.	Will look into.
	Can we get a staff member that helps with scheduling EFV? They only have one person to schedule and if she is sick or on vacation no one else can help.	There should be two, Sgt. and an officer staff. Will contact Lt. Potolicchio, have him teach the temporary staff the process. If you can't reach anyone, call front desk and request Supt. Gaines for assistance.
11:00- 11:30	Open Discussion	All