

## Meeting Summary

Following is a summary of issues discussed at the DPSCS—DPP/DPDS Stat on May 26, 2011. Analysis is provided by StateStat and the Governor’s Delivery Unit (GDU).

### **Video Parole Hearings**

- Secretary Maynard reported that the Department is preparing to implement parole hearings utilizing video conferencing. As had been previously discussed at StateStat, parole hearings are cancelled at a high rate because of board members’ missed meetings. The video conferencing is expected to decrease that rate significantly. Before video conferencing can be implemented, an MOU must be signed and equipment must be purchased, costing jurisdictions approximately \$500 each. The system will roll out with five counties, including Prince George’s County.

### **MCAC**

- The Department reported that it received an analysis from MCAC on assaults within DPSCS facilities related to security threat groups (i.e., gangs). Secretary Maynard agreed to submit a request to MCAC that MCAC regularly distribute to jurisdictions information about VPI offenders residing in those jurisdictions.

### **Washington DC Information Sharing**

- There was an in-depth discussion of how the Department communicates with Washington DC when a DPP supervisee is arrested in Washington. The Department established that warrants were issued in a timely manner in most cases, although one arrest on a Friday did not result in a warrant request until that Monday.

### **Prince George’s County State’s Attorney Office**

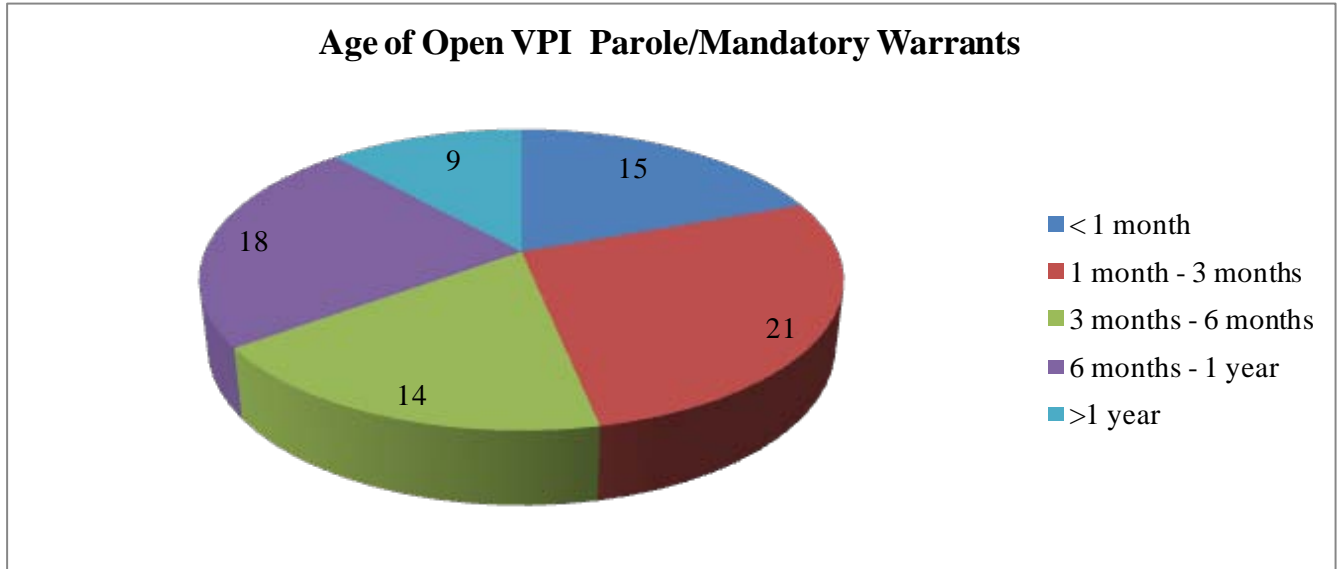
- Prince George’s County State’s Attorney Angela Alsobrooks attended the meeting and participated in a discussion of how the Department can better communicate data about supervisees who are arrested in Prince George’s. The Department agreed to help set up a system to ensure that the SAO is notified when a new arrestee is VPI, before any charging decision is made or hearing is held. This system will include juvenile offenders, as well.

### **Age of Warrants**

- The Department, at StateStat’s request, provided a breakdown of the age of the 77 open parole/mandatory warrants. Of the 77 warrants, 53 percent are 3 months or older. According to the

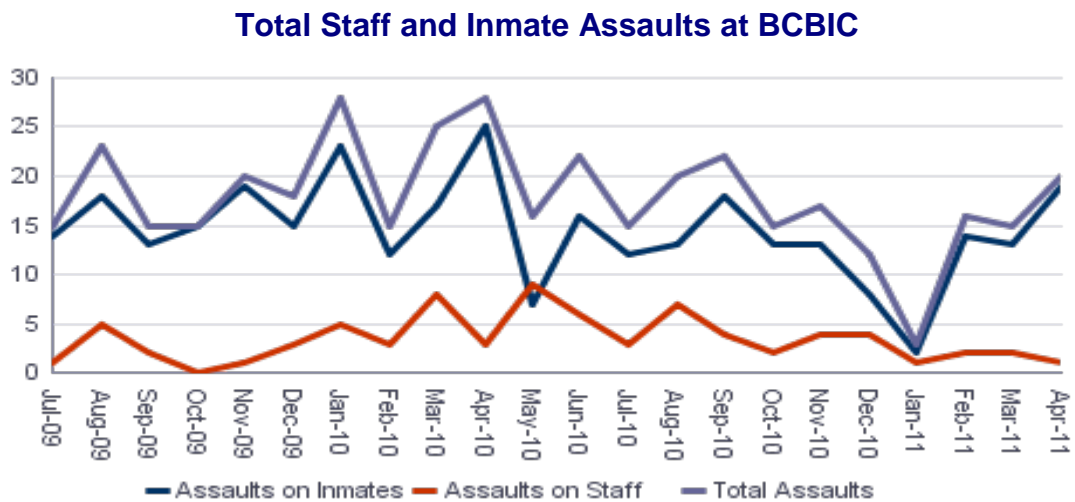


Department, it holds 30, 60, and 90 day reviews of its warrants, and if all leads have been exhausted, it then turns them over to the cold case unit. Deputy Chief of Staff Motz suggested that the Department ask MCAC to perform intelligence analysis on the old warrants. The issue will be brought up in the upcoming meeting on new tasks for MCAC.



**Assaults at DPDS Facilities**

- Total assaults at BCBIC have increased since January (from three assaults in January to 20 in April). When asked about the increase, the Department responded that the causes for the increase are unclear, but that it was not a cause for concern because: a) the longer-term trend is still down, and b) the assaults were largely not serious and were against other inmates, not Department personnel. The Department and the panel agreed to continue to closely watch the data.



### Total Staff and Inmate Assaults at BCDC

