

Rock County
Evidence-Based Decision Making Ad Hoc Committee
Thursday, October 12, 2017 minutes
Conference Rooms N-1/N-2

- 1) Call to Order. Chair Nelson called the meeting to order at 12:02 P.M.
- 2) Committee Members Present. Chair Eric Nelson, Chief David Moore, Josh Smith, Judge Michael Haakenson, Judge Alan Bates, Stephen Meyer, Vice Chair Sandra Kraft, Chief David Zibolski, Troy Enger, Kate Luster, David O'Leary and Lori Luther.
- 3) Committee Members Absent. Judge Daniel Dillon, Judge James Daley, Commander Erik Chellevoid, Dorothy Harrell, Angela Moore, Jacki Gackstatter and Sheriff Robert Spoden.
- 4) Staff Members Present. Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Tracey VanZandt, HR Secretary; Gina Koehl, Deferred Prosecution Director; and Dara Mosley, Public Safety Systems Manager.
- 5) Others Present. Mimi Carter, CEPP Technical Assistance Advisor; Faun Moses, State Public Defender's Office; Tommy Gubbin, EBDM State Coordinator; and City of Beloit Intern.
- 6) Approval of Agenda. Mr. O'Leary moved approval of the agenda, second by Mr. Meyer. ADOPTED.
- 7) Approval of Minutes of August 10, 2017. Mr. Meyer moved approval of the minutes of August 10, 2017, second by Mr. Enger. ADOPTED.
- 8) Selection of New EBDM Ad Hoc Committee Chair. Chair Nelson said it is time for him to step away from the Chair position for several reasons. At this time, the contract with NIC (National Institute of Corrections) is unknown. If the contract is not renewed, technical assistance will end at the end of 2017. It would be likely that EBDM would be reformed through the County Board approval process. Ms. Moses volunteered to step in as Committee Chair if no one else was interested. The committee discussed the responsibilities of the Chair. The committee agreed a judge as the Committee Chair would be the most beneficial for EBDM. There will be a meeting held on Thursday, November 9th at 12 noon for the purpose of selecting a new chair.

- 9) Report on How Policy Team Members are advancing EBDM in their Agencies. Mr. O'Leary recently held an EBDM presentation at the Federal Courthouse for other state administrators.

Chief Zibolski requested to share EBDM information with local media. There was a newspaper article in the *Beloit Daily News*.

The State CJCC team will have an EBDM presentation with State legislators at the state capital next Tuesday, October 17th at 1:30 P.M. before a joint committee hearing. This presentation will be taped and broadcast on Wisconsin Eye.

Ms. Carter said the state team sent out surveys to other Wisconsin counties asking if they would be interested in EBDM. Out of the 21 responses, 20 counties expressed interest in joining the EBDM effort.

Mr. Smith said he will be submitting the 2018 budget to the County Board this evening. In 2017, he had designated \$85,000 for EBDM. In 2018, he is recommending an additional \$73,000 for a total of \$158,584. Another change in the recommended 2018 budget is that no fees will be charged for the Deferred Prosecution program. This is part of the EBDM initiative as well. The Sheriff's Office budget is down by \$25,000 due to the impact of EBDM on the housing of inmates. Ms. Carter commended Mr. Smith on his commitment to EBDM and including funds in this recommended budget.

Chief Moore said they are continually talking about EBDM throughout the department.

10) EBDM Workgroup Updates.

Risk Assessment/Pretrial- Judge Bates said the workgroup met yesterday. The pilot is complete. 80 out-of-custody individuals were assessed during a four week period. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen handed out the results of the out-of-custody individuals. The pilot ran for in-custody individuals for eight weeks. Data is only available from the first four weeks. Surprisingly, the results are very similar for both groups. This data was collected only to help establish staffing numbers. We are still unsure what the assessment center will look like. Would this be a contracted service? Training for the PSA from the Arnold Foundation will be possible in January at the earliest. Judge Bates said he will discuss the EBDM efforts at the Judges meeting next Wednesday. The other item the workgroup worked on is the Pretrial Critical Incident Protocol. Judge Bates provided two handouts, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and an example of a Critical Incident Report. Mr. Enger reminded the committee that Department of Corrections involvement in the MOU could be a long, cumbersome process. Judge Bates suggested creating an annual data review team.

Risk Reduction Interventions- Ms. Koehl said they have currently placed their focus on Pre charge diversion. They have created a rough draft script for the educational video. The length of the video will be decided based on the amount of necessary content. Ms.

Koehl provided a handout which includes the pre charge diversion process and questions for the EBDM policy team. The team reviewed the handout. Mr. O'Leary said he will speak with Eau Claire and Milwaukee County on their victim witness process. Enhanced Deferred Prosecution would be a referral to resources within our community. If the individual doesn't show up for the initial appearance for a crime, a warrant will be issued. Non-appearance for an ordinance would be defaulted. Mr. O'Leary suggested that non-appearance be addressed in the assessment brochure. The brochure will be handed out by law enforcement at time of arrest. The brochure will address who is eligible; officers will not make that determination. The brochure will be handed out to everyone. Judge Haakenson suggested an educational video be developed about the assessment center and placed on the internet for individuals to learn more about the assessment center. There were more questions about when a charge gets entered on CCAP. Clerk of Court representation was suggested for this workgroup. Mr. O'Leary said he is hoping to train a handful of Assistant District Attorneys on the pre charge diversion process. There was a question about restitution payments. There needs to be a bank trust account. Mr. O'Leary said he will work on this.

Behavioral Health Information Sharing- Chief Moore said training has been completed with other agencies and disciplines. It was a train the trainer format. The workgroup will reach out to a couple agencies that did not attend the training. There has been several favorable outcomes already due to these efforts. Chief Zibolski said all Beloit Police Department officers will be trained by November 3rd. The MOU is close to being finalized. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will distribute the final MOU. NAMI will be holding a community listening session on November 7th. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will distribute this information to the committee.

Outreach- Chief Moore said impact statement tapings will continue on October 16th in N1 Conference Room at the Courthouse. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will reach out to the individuals that still need to record their statement. The state team developed TED talk is in the editing stages. The state team has developed a packet of information intended for education of new committee members. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen had created a PowerPoint presentation for a recent County Board meeting. This presentation is available for tweaking based on the targeted audience.

- 11) Policy Team Discussion regarding Phase VI of EBDM Initiative. None.
- 12) Update on State EBDM. Legislative briefing discussed earlier in today's meeting. Mr. Gubbin suggested the committee review the state CJCC website for useful information.
- 13) Citizen Participation and Announcements. None.

14) Future Meeting Date: Thursday, November 9, 2017, Rooms N1-N2, 5th floor
Courthouse East 12 noon.

Thursday, December 7, 2017, Rooms N1-N2, 5th floor Courthouse East 12 noon.

15) Adjournment. Mr. O'Leary moved adjournment at 2:11 P.M., second by Ms. Luster.
ADJOURNED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey VanZandt

HR Secretary

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