

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL**  
**Minutes – September 20, 2018**

**Call to Order.** Chair Horozewski called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:06 P.M. in the Conference Room of Community Action, 20 Eclipse Center, Beloit.

**Committee Members Present:** Commander Troy Knudson (alt. for Sheriff Robert Spoden), Kelly Mattingly, Steve Howland, Carol Wickersham, Supervisor Terry Fell, Billy Bob Grahn, Chief David Zibolski, Kate Luster, Perry Folts (alt. for David O’Leary), Troy Enger, Chief David Moore, Chair Lance Horozewski, Angela Moore and Marc Perry.

**Committee Members Absent:** Judge Daniel Dillon, Bill Rankin and Lonnie Brigham.

**Staff Members Present:** Dr. Kendra Schiffman, HSD Analyst; and Gina Koehl, Deferred Prosecution Director.

**Others Present:** Rahn Gearhart, OLOIP; Faun Moses, Public Defender’s Office; Dorothy Harrell, NAACP; Ethel Below; Andrey Below; Erin Evans, Beloit College; Frank Schultz, Janesville Gazette; Michael Bell, InTouch; Supervisor Kathy Schulz; and Lynda Owens.

**Approval of Agenda.** Mr. Howland moved approval of the amended agenda as presented, second by Mr. Mattingly. ADOPTED.

**Approval of Minutes of August 16, 2018.** Chief Zibolski moved approval of the minutes as presented, second by Mr. Perry. ADOPTED.

**Approval and Support for TAD Grant Application.** Chair Horozewski said we are the oversight committee for the TAD Grant which supports treatment court. Mr. Grahn moved approval and support for the TAD Grant Application, second by Ms. Wickersham. ADOPTED.

**Presentation on Community Action Programs: Fatherhood Initiative and High School Mentoring Program.** Mr. Perry said they started a pilot project with United Way in 2007 to engage fathers who were involved with the Criminal Justice System which is now the Fatherhood Initiative. The initiative helps fathers with employment, parenting and relationship skills to name a few. The program runs in two month cycles. The participants attend 5 days a week/25 hours per week. They use a couple different curriculums. 85% of graduates end up employed. The recidivism rate for graduates is 21% with the state average being 60%. Annually, they serve approximately 20 fathers from Janesville and 60 fathers from Beloit. They have been working with GIFTS Men’s Shelter. There are some housing resources available through Community Action.

Mr. Perry said the Mentoring program began in 2014 in response to escalated gun violence with youth in Beloit. The program started with eight high school boys from Beloit Memorial who had moderate to high risk behavior. In 2015, ladies were added to the program. As of this fall, there are 38 youth enrolled in the mentoring program for the school year and 106 youth (predominantly African American) were part of the summer academy. Some of the things the program provides is homework assistance along with numerous other education opportunities. The program develops a relationship with the parents as well. The program has four staff and three consistent volunteers. Mr. Perry said they strive to employ diverse staff. AP students from Beloit Memorial High School come in to help

with homework assistance. Less than 10% of the participants end up back in Juvenile Justice. Mr. Horozewski said Human Services/Community Action has to better track the outcomes of this program.

**Discussion regarding Increasing Jail Population.** Commander Knudson provided two handouts. The committee reviewed the handouts. There are currently 470 inmates with a maximum capacity of 505. Unconvicted inmates is the largest population. The committee had several questions on the "Inmate/Charges" handout. There are only 175 inmates on the handout but 470 inmates in the jail. What are the charges of the other 300 inmates? The committee requested definitions of 'no bond' and 'probation hold'. Mr. Mattingly said it is hard to determine bail jumping charges as there are several different ways to be charged with this. The committee asked if data can be added to the analysis of average time from bail to trial. Dr. Schiffman said the challenge is data systems that are not linked. Ms. Wickersham said she knows it will help when risk assessments are implemented through EBDM, but we don't know how long we have to wait for that. The need is now. Ms. Moses suggested the jail do their own risk assessment on the current population as the jail has an employee who is trained on the risk assessment tool. This would give an idea if any inmates currently sitting would be eligible for release if the risk assessment tool was in place. TABLED for next meeting.

**Follow up to Criminal Justice System Data and Racial and Ethnic Disparities and Criminal Justice Reform Discussion and Develop Action Steps.** Dr. Schiffman said the previously provided data is a starting point. It has not been analyzed. It is good to have consistency in the collection of the data. It is not perfect data but useful data. The committee discussed different ideas of where they would like to drill down including arrest data, discretionary vs. non-discretionary arrests, initiated contacts and violent offenses. Dr. Schiffman will explore the data that is available at some of these points and will bring back to a future meeting.

**Update on Victim Testimony and Revocation Hearings.** Mr. Mattingly said there have been no changes since our last meeting.

**Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Concerns.** None.

**Consideration of Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action.**

- Chief Moore would like to track school violence
- Mr. Brigham would like a presentation on Restorative Justice
- EBDM presentation on Risk Assessment
- More meetings at Community Action location

**Citizen Participation and Announcements.** Rock for Recovery October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Rock County Fairgrounds begins with 5:30 P.M. with fun walk followed by stories of recovery.

**Future Meeting Date:** Thursday, October 18, 2018, 3:00 P.M., Courthouse Conference Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Courthouse East

**Adjournment.** Mr. Mattingly moved adjournment at 4:43 P.M., second by Mr. Perry.  
ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt, HR Secretary

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