

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Minutes – September 21, 2017

Call to Order. Chair Horozewski called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:04 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisor Sandy Kraft, Billy Bob Grahn, Chief David Moore, Carol Wickersham, Steve Howland, Bill Rankin, Kelly Mattingly, Jim Neitzel (alt. for Troy Enger), Kate Luster, Judge Alan Bates, Chair Lance Horozewski, Chief David Zibolski, Marc Perry, Vicki Brown (alt. for Angela Moore), and David O’Leary.

Committee Members Absent: Sheriff Robert Spoden.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Brenda Endthoff, AODA Coordinator; Greg Winkler, Behavioral Health Division Manager; Melissa Meboe, HSD Program Manager; Phil Boutwell, HSD Deputy Director; and Gina Ciaramita, Deferred Prosecution Director.

Others Present: Ethel Below; Lynda Owens; Erin Loveland, JM4C; Mike Fallon, JOB; Officer Chad Woodman, Janesville Police Department DROP Officer; Brandon Farnsworth, U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan’s Office; Tawsif Anam, U.S. Senator Ron Johnson’s Office; and Flora Csontos, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin’s Office.

Approval of Agenda. Mr. Howland moved approval of the agenda, second by Mr. Mattingly. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes of August 17, 2017. Ms. Wickersham moved approval of the minutes as presented, second by Mr. Perry. ADOPTED.

Approval and Support for TAD Grant Application. Mr. Mattingly moved to approve the application for the TAD Grant and for CJCC to continue to be the oversight body, second by Ms. Luster. ADOPTED.

Presentations & Discussion by Federal Legislative Delegation Representatives and Rock County on Addressing the Opiate Epidemic. All three delegation representatives addressed the committee on what their respective legislator has done or is working on in regards to the opiate epidemic. Ms. Csontos requested that Ms. Pohlman McQuillen share her contact information with the committee.

Committee members addressed the three representatives:

Judge Bates said Rock County does not have enough healthcare professionals and facilities to address the opiate epidemic. He urged that money needs to come from the federal government to assist locals. The opiate epidemic should be as urgent as disaster relief.

Chief Moore told the representatives that the Janesville Police Department is combating the opiate epidemic with a three prong approach. He urged for funding for front line officers to combat the opiate epidemic.

Chief Zibolski provided the overdose numbers in Beloit. He said we need to start looking into civil commitment to help combat this epidemic.

Ms. Luster thanked the delegation for their work with the 21st Century Cures Act. With this grant money, we hope to serve 25 to 30 individuals. This money is wonderful but just not enough. Foster care numbers are astounding. The heroin epidemic is closely tied to access to health care.

Ms. Wickersham said there was a recent study published about the cost of the heroin epidemic. In 2011, the cost was at \$25 billion. Ms. Wickersham also suggested reviewing tough sentencing. These numbers alone should create a response.

Mr. Rankin suggested a loan repayment program to assist college graduates who decide to go into the health care field to battle the epidemic.

Ms. Lake said Human Services has been sending a multi-disciplinary team to training since 2014 to learn best practices. Rock County has a Heroin Taskforce, AODA Steering Committee and Health Equity Alliance. Rock County also has several active treatment courts. We offer a walk in clinic four days a week. They are hoping to collect data over the next couple months on the grant initiative.

Ms. Meboe explained the new 51.15 law change in regards to civil commitment.

Mr. Horozewski said child welfare is the silent epidemic of the heroin epidemic. Foster Care funding is flawed. Funding should be based on prevention.

In conclusion, the representatives asked that we continue to share important information with their offices as well as grant data and real life stories. Judge Bates invited the representatives to attend Juvenile court on Monday afternoons at 1:15 P.M. in Branch 2. He said they would hear many real life stories and the impact of the epidemic.

Ms. Loveland invited the representatives and the committee to the Hope Over Heroin event being held on October 4th from 6:30 to 8 P.M. at the Rock County Fairgrounds.

Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Concerns. None.

Consideration of Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action.

- Discussion on admission requirements for Drug Court
- Drug Court team report
- Ms. Wickersham would like to have a discussion about non-violent revocation. Mr. Nietzel said DOC could share data but need more specific questions. We will address this topic at either the November or December meeting. Individuals should send specific questions for DOC to research to Ms. Pohlman McQuillen.
- October meeting will be dedicated to State Legislative Representatives presentation on Opiate Epidemic
- Mr. Rankin would like to highlight one sub-committee per month and request they provide an update or presentation on their logic models/work process.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. The Committee congratulated and thanked Mr. Grahn on the recent newspaper article in regards to his efforts in the community.

Future Meeting Date: Thursday, October 19, 2017, 3:00 P.M., Courthouse Conference Center, 2nd Floor Courthouse East.

Adjournment. Mr. Perry moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 P.M., second by Mr. Rankin.
ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
HR Secretary

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