

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
Minutes – November 19, 2020

Call to Order. Chair Mattingly called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:04 P.M. via teleconference.

Committee Members Present: Chair Kelly Mattingly, Deputy Chief John Olsen (alt. for Chief David Moore), Steve Howland, Supervisor Shirley Williams, Kate Luster, Troy Enger, Marc Perry, Anne Nack (alt. for David O’Leary), Sheriff Troy Knudson, Amiee Leavy (alt. for Angela Moore), Carol Wickersham, Ryan Trautsch and Bill Rankin at 3:20 P.M.

Committee Members Absent: Billy Bob Grahn, Judge Daniel Dillon and Lonnie Brigham.

Staff Members Present: Dr. Kendra Schiffman, Analyst; Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Justice System Manager.

Others Present: Faun Moses, Michelle Brandemuehl and Ashley Morse, State Public Defender’s Office; Neil Deupree; Jonah Beleckis and Lorin Cox, Janesville Gazette; Denise Peters-Kauihou, United Way; Erin Gallagher; Aryssa Harris.

Approval of Agenda. Sheriff Knudson moved approval of the agenda, second by Supervisor Williams. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes of October 15, 2020. Ms. Leavy moved approval of the minutes of October 15, 2020 as presented, second by Ms. Luster. ADOPTED.

Discussion Regarding Criminal Justice System Racial and Ethnic Disparities Improvement Goals.

Updates from CJCC Agencies. No updates from the agencies.

Update on Racial Disparities in the Juvenile Justice System. Mr. Trautsch said their first stakeholder meeting was on October 29th with another large group meeting scheduled for December 10th. They will be identifying several target areas where they want to improve disparities and will form sub-groups around these target areas. They talked about using the YAZI tool throughout the court process. This tool helps with a risk based decision. Starting in January 2021, juveniles will be assessed after plea hearings. They are working with Janesville Police Department and Janesville Schools to improve diversion options and reduce referrals.

Discussion on YWCA Conference. Ms. Leavy said there was 639 participants. She reminded attendees that they have the ability to replay the conference up to four times. She said there is a Diversity Action Team meeting tonight via Zoom starting at 6:30 P.M. Courageous Conversations will be this coming Monday.

Discussion and Possible Action on OWI Court Expansion Grant and Possible Resolution or Action to Recommend Changes to Act 106. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said Rock County has been awarded a grant to expand OWI Court to 4th and 5th offenses. OWI law governing 5th and 6th offenses has recently changed to require imprisonment followed by extended supervision. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said we could still possibly serve 5th offenses as an ATR (alternative to revocation). Several other counties who currently serve 5th and 6th are hoping to gain support for a change to the law so they

can continue to serve this population in their treatment courts. The counties are looking to put forth resolutions requesting a change to Act 106. Supervisor Williams requested more information on Act 106 and Rock County 2019 data if available.

Ms. Wickersham moved to support a resolution recommending changes to Act 106 that would allow for individuals charged with fifth offense OWI to participate in OWI Court and include the removal of the lifetime license suspension for applicable fourth offense OWI offenders who successfully participate in treatment court, second by Mr. Howland. ADOPTED.

Support for Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the Bureau of Justice Assistance Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Courts: Adult Drug Courts Grant Funds, Amending the 2020 Budget, and Creating One Master Level Behavioral Health Clinician. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said this is the resolution to accept the federal grant to expand OWI Court which CJCC previously supported. Ms. Leavy moved to support the resolution, second by Supervisor Williams. ADOPTED.

EBDM Update. No update. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said hopefully in early 2021 she will have JusticePoint provide a presentation on pretrial services.

Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Concerns. Sheriff Knudson provided a COVID update on the jail.

Consideration of Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action (from current and past meetings).

- Chief Moore would like to track school violence
- EBDM presentation on Risk Assessment
- Mr. Perry would like to speak with Homeless liaisons in Beloit and Janesville to get an update on unaccompanied youth population
- Ms. Wickersham would like a conversation on AODA/Mental Health services in the Rock County jail and wrap around services in the community. Mr. Brigham would like to extend this to Rock County youth.
- Safe Families presentation
- Mr. Brigham would like to know the percentage of juvenile citations in schools and how this is working.
- Mr. Brigham would like a presentation on bullying in schools and carryover outside of school (at risk youth behavioral data)

Citizen Participation and Announcements. None.

Future Meeting Date: Thursday, January 21, 2021, 3:00 P.M., Location TBD

Adjournment. Sheriff Knudson moved to adjourn at 3:52 P.M., second by Supervisor Williams. ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt, HR Secretary

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