

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

August 18, 2011

Call to Order. Chair Wopat called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council order at 4:02 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Chair Marv Wopat, Supervisor Sandra Kraft, Judge Alan Bates (for Judge James Daley), David O'Leary, Robert Fizzell (for Regina Dunkin), Charmian Klyve (at 4:05 P.M.), Chief David Moore, Eric Nelson (at 4:28 P.M.), Tom Gubbin, Art Thurmer, George Smith, Jr., Neil Deupree.

Committee Members Absent: Sheriff Spoden, Max Arriaga, Patrick Cork, Ed Pearson, Lorenzo Henderson, and Rich Gruber.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Kate Flanagan, Mental Health / AODA Division Manager, Human Services.

Others Present: Kay Deupree, Janesville League of Women Voters; Amber Culver, Department of Workforce Development; Tony Farrell Sr.; Ann Marie Ames, Janesville Gazette.

Approval of Agenda. Chair Wopat said item #4 would be postponed to the next meeting. Mr. Deupree moved approval of the agenda with this change, second by Mr. Fizzell. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes. Mr. Fizzell moved approval of the minutes of June 16, 2011, second by Supervisor Kraft. ADOPTED.

Update on 2011 Wisconsin Act 38. Mr. Gubbin said Act 38 was repealed for the earned release review, and go back to parole commission, if the inmate has received credits they can ask for a reduced sentence. Mr. Thurmer said all early discharges go back to the sentencing courts. Mr. Gubbin said the extended supervision is no longer an option. They will no longer provide substance abuse treatment and education, including intensive intervention when indicated, personal development counseling, education, employment readiness training and other treatment options that are directly related to the participant's criminal behavior. Mr. Gubbin said some of the UW Law Students are helping inmates with some things both in prison and when they are released. Mr. Gubbin said for early release the inmate must be by petition. Judge Bates said they can petition after they have served 75% - 85% of their time. Mr. O'Leary said the DA is then notified and they will notify the victims, look to see if they have done classes, etc.

Recap of Mental Health Consultant Visit on August 17, 2011. Mr. Deupree said they met for about 9 hours and spent a fair amount of time with the consultants going over what steps they will need to take, things they still need to do for the grant, and plans to put in motion. He said the Justice and Mental Health Ad Hoc Committee is going to consider asking the County Board to transition them into a permanent committee to help make this work.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said they went a bit broader on their focus that initially envisioned in the grant and CJCC still have to fulfill one more piece in the grant, which is site visits. With the consultant costs a bit higher than anticipated they had to transfer some of the grant funds to different accounts, as previously discussed with the CJCC. She asked if the Committee felt the site visits were still important and if they should do them, also if she should ask for an extension on the grant.

Mr. O'Leary said we should continue until the Ad Hoc Committee makes decisions on where and what to do, but we are too global and need to find better direction.

Ms. Klyve agreed with Mr. O'Leary. She said we need to identify the big picture and what priorities do we need to work on and move them along.

Ms. Flanagan said she feels the report gives us a good roadmap, it is a bit global, but a lot of areas can use it to point them in the right direction. She said she felt the message was good, there was good representation of providers and there was good momentum.

Mr. Gubbin said he feels the site visits would be good.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen asked if the Committee wished to extend the grant 6 months, 12 months or not at all. She added that the BJA will likely have another Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Grant in the Spring and OJA may have another grant opportunity with a focus on mental health initiatives in the justice system.

Mr. Nelson arrived at 4:28 PM.

Mr. Fizzell said he liked the DA's suggestion on putting back on the Ad Hoc Committee on where they would like to go and follow up on it.

Mr. Deupree said it sounds like it is a consensus on a 6-month extension. He added that he appreciated hearing that the consultants were pleased with the amount of buy-in and lack of contention, and that we looked pretty good to them, that we want to work together.

Chair Wopat thanked Ms. Pohlman McQuillen and Mr. Deupree for all they did. He reminded the group that the consultants said not to set our goals too low.

Report of Process & Opportunities Subcommittee Meeting, July 28, 2011. Judge Bates said a task force was put together to put an OWI Court together, went to Holland, MI to see a model court, and went to Waukesha to see how they run their court. The group has been meeting every other Tuesday and are at the point on how to operate the OWI Court. This is a public safety program. The alcoholic driver needs help and some of the discussion items are where to get incentives and how to convince attorneys on both sides to cooperate. He said he feels third offense OWI is the best place to start—offenders should be ready to deal with their problem, and there is an incentive for them to do participate in the program. The funding will be the issue, as well as hiring the right people, and convincing people this is a valid program.

Judge Bates said we are the only state where the first offense is not criminal.

Chair Wopat asked if getting their license back has been addressed. Judge Bates said it is one of the goals to get re-licensed through IDP.

Ms. Flanagan said Human Services is considering applying for an enhancement IDP grant, which could be used for the OWI Court initiative and support best practices.

Chair Wopat asked if IDP laws have an effect. Mr. Flanagan said they should be able to integrate them.

Mr. Thurmer asked if it is the intention to have it be an 18 month program. Judge Bates said this is the theory.

Mr. Thurmer asked if the down side is jail or prison. Judge Bates said the third is jail time and fines. Mr. O'Leary said the money part is a bigger incentive to do it. Judge Bates said the fines are \$1,424 at the low end, \$2,182 next and they can triple or quadruple. Judge Bates added that he heard from other OWI Court Judges that the positive feedback from the judges works the best. Mr. Thurmer said offenders becoming anonymous when on probation is when we lose the people and added that he was impressed with the Dane County OWI Court, how they held the people accountable, and how well it worked.

Mr. Deupree asked what the start date would be. Judge Bates said they need to obtain professional services and how to pay for it. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said they are hoping to have an RFQ for case management ready for mid-to-late September. She said she knows there are a few interested providers for the drug court and this service would be incorporated with that program to try and save administrative costs. She added that \$100,000 was put in the 2011 budget for and OWI initiative and she is hoping that money can be carried over to 2012.

Chair Wopat asked if support groups were going to be a part of the program. Judge Bates replied they did and he went over the requirements they are to fulfill.

Discussion and Action on TAD Grant Application. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said we know the process is competitive this time. The funding has been cut by almost 1/3 total with the 25% match that is required. She asked the Committee if they would like her to apply for the grant.

Ms. Klyve moved approval to apply for the grant, second by Mr. Fizzell. ADOPTED.

Grants Update.

TAD Grant Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said this was covered earlier in the meeting.

Federal Drug Court Grant Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the 12-month extension was filed and approved. They have money left to spend in the next 12 months.

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Grant & Ad Hoc Committee Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the meeting is next Tuesday, August 23rd, at UW-Rock Campus. She said she hopes everyone can make it to the September meeting, as the consultant will be back on September 15th to debrief the CJCC.

OJA Criminal Justice Coordinating Councils Grant Nothing at this time.

Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Concerns. Chief Moore said the concealed carry was discussed at the Police Chiefs meeting and suggested we be prepared to see something on this in the near future.

Chair Wopat asked about the cost of animal care. Chief Moore said they have budgeted \$250,000 and they are going out for RFQ. He added that they are working closely with City of the Beloit and the RFQ is for Cities of Beloit and Janesville as well as other municipalities.

Areas of Future Action and Discussion for CJCC. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen reminded the Committee to e-mail her.

Future Meeting Date. Chair Wopat said the next CJCC meeting is September 15th here at 4:00 P.M.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. Mr. Farrell thanked everyone for their hard work.

Mrs. Deupree said she had spent the prior day here for the meeting and told the Committee they have all come a long way.

Mr. Fizzell said the consultants had complimented the Committee on how well they work together and said this level of cooperation hardly ever happens.

Chair Wopat thanked Mr. Gubbin and Ms. Pohlman McQuillen on the very good job they did on putting the Resource Fair together.

Chair Wopat invited everyone to the September 10th Family Fun Night at Preservation Park.

Chief Moore reminded everyone about the Walk a Mile in Your Shoes event on September 26th. He added that the YWCA works very closely with them on this.

Mr. Deupree told the Committee that the Fire Department is having a memorial on September 11th.

Adjournment. Ms. Klyve moved to adjourn at 5:22 P.M., second by Mr. Gubbin. ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

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