

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
Minutes – January 16, 2014

Call to Order. Chair Gubbin called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:00 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Tom Gubbin, Jeanne Martin (for Max Arriaga), Judge Daley, Rich Gruber, Lorenzo Henderson (at 3:08 P.M.), Amanda Galaviz (for Lance Horozewski), Steve Howland, Charles Jones, Phil Boutwell (for Charmian Klyve), Billy Bob Grahn (for Sandra Kraft), Perry Folts (for David O’Leary), Deputy Chief John Olsen (for Chief Moore), Eric Nelson, William Rankin, Erik Chellevoid (for Sheriff Spoden) and Randy Westby (at 3:15 P.M. for Marv Wopat).

Committee Members Absent: Regina Dunkin.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst and Kris Koeffler, Deferred Prosecution Director.

Others Present: Colleen Wisch, NAMI; Candy Schenck, Neil Deupree, Ethel Below and Lynda Owens.

Approval of Agenda. Chair Gubbin stated Item 7 would move to Item 5. Mr. Gruber moved approval of the agenda with this change, second by Mr. Jones. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes from November 21, 2013. Mr. Grahn moved approval of the minutes of November 21, 2013, second by Mr. Gruber. ADOPTED.

Election of CJCC Chair and Vice Chair. Mr. Gruber nominated the current Chair and Vice Chair for another term. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen spoke on behalf of Vice Chair Kraft (absent) who said she would support another nominee for the position if one was offered. Chair Gubbin nominated Mr. Nelson, for Vice Chair. Mr. Gruber then nominated the current Chair Gubbin and Mr. Nelson for Vice Chair. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion regarding the Affordable Care Act and How it Affects the Jail. Commander Chellevoid spoke of the different issues relating to the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and how to assist the inmates with signing up for this. Mr. Boutwell and Commander Chellevoid worked together on this process and a company from Janesville, SRA International, has agreed to come into the jail to sign up the inmates that are eligible for ACA and also assist others with Badger Care. Commander Chellevoid mentioned the process should take approximately 20-30 minutes per inmate. This is a grant funded program. The company will begin February 3rd. Mr. Gruber mentioned a program offered by some companies that assist with premium payments. Mr. Rankin asked if the jail has a way of informing the inmates of this process. Commander Chellevoid replied that they have a system all set to go. Mr. Boutwell mentioned after the March 31st deadline for ACA, they would work with Badger Care and the Economic Support staff for the inmates.

Presentation on Deferred Prosecution Program – Kris Koeffler. Ms. Koeffler gave an overview of the Deferred Prosecution Program (DPP) and Domestic Violence Intervention Program (DVIP). Both programs may be available to defendants charged for the first time, as an adult, with a misdemeanor or less. A non-fundable assessment fee of \$10.00 is required before the initial interview. If the offender is accepted into the program, there is a \$50.00 fee. Ms. Koeffler stated the program

does not accept bad check writers or sexual assault offenders, however they do work with 17 year olds. Ms. Koeffler stated the DPP has 91% of clients start and finish the group and the DVIP has a 93% completion rate. Ms. Koeffler mentioned about two thirds of the domestic violence arrests involved drinking. Ms. Koeffler mentioned their department reads every criminal complaint and pick the cases that are eligible for their programs. Juveniles with felony arrests are not eligible for their programs. Ms. Koeffler stated that their department puts the people in touch with the proper channels.

Evidence Based Decision Making Summit Document Review/Discussion. Chair Gubbin informed the members to be familiar with this prior to our attendance at the summit. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen mentioned the summit is less than two weeks away. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen highlighted some points on the 68 page document (sent via email to all members) and went over how the summit will work. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen named the ten member key decision makers and shareholder groups as Sheriff Spoden, Commander Chellevoid, Chair Gubbin, Ms. Pohlman McQuillen, Mr. David O’Leary, Mr. Eric Nelson, Ms. Charmian Klyve, Chief Dave Moore and Ms. Kris Koeffler.

Presentation and Discussion on Bonding Beyond Bars-Lorenzo Henderson. Officer Henderson gave a PowerPoint presentation on this program. This is a pilot project enhancing parental relationships for five (5) Rock County Families selected to participate in the program. The incarcerated parent must be willing to play an active role in their child’s life. The prison sentence has to be greater than 12 months. Officer Henderson stated the first family should be able to start in the program in March. Mr. Jones suggested Officer Henderson should connect with the Beloit clergy for assistance with this program.

Grants Update Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said we are not able to do much on the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program grant due to fact no technical assistance provider has yet been assigned, but she hopes to really get started on the project very soon. She said there have been some planning meetings with HSD staff and Sheriff’s representatives but before moving from planning to implementation, the technical assistance provider has to sign off. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen informed the members of the many grants that are available and asked members to contact her if there is something of interest to the committee.

Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Concerns. Nothing at this time.

Discussion Regarding Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen mentioned the annual Reentry Resource Fair would be June 5, 2014. The first planning meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2014. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen told the members to contact her if they are interested in participating. Chair Gubbin stated the need to have more citizens involved and attend the resource fair.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. Judge Daley mentioned that John Voelker, Director of State Courts will attend the next CJCC meeting. Due to the fact he will be on vacation, Judge Werner will be in attendance for him. Mr. Deupree announced the Martin Luther King breakfast on Monday, January 20 at 8:00 A.M. at the Eclipse Center in Beloit and invited everyone to attend.

Future Meeting Date: February 20, 2014. Chair Gubbin said the next CJCC meeting would be February 20, 2014, in the Courthouse Conference Center, 2nd Floor, Courthouse East Wing, at 3:00 P.M.

Adjournment. Chair Gubbin adjourned at 4:14 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Zastoupil
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