



Buffalo-Pepin Counties Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Effective Accountable Alternatives

CJCC Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mr. Greg Balow, Ms. Brenda Berning, Mr. Craig Brooks, Ms. Melissa Buesgen, Mr. Tom Clark, Judge Duvall, Ms. Jamie Gibson, Mr. Steven Hughes, Ms. Audrey Lieffring, Ms. Gina Rieck, Mr. Dave Rynders, Mr. Jon Seifert, Ms. Heidi Stewart, Ms. Phil Wicktor, and Ms. Mary Wood, Others in attendance for all or portion of the meeting were Ms. Pam DeWitt, Ms. Joanie Bailey,

The meeting was called to order by Greg Balow.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Previous Meeting Minutes: Mr. Hughes made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Wicktor.

Treasurer's Report: Ms. Rieck presented the CJCC financial report with a balance of \$34,686.49

Community Service Report: Ms. Rieck presented the community service report as follows: 552 total participants; 374 successful; 173 unsuccessful; 5 pending; 395 referrals from Buffalo County; 157 Pepin County; 371 3/4 hours worked in 2018 and 13,358.25 hours worked from 2012-2017.

CJS:

Financial Report – Ms. Berning reported June 2018 CJS Financial Update is completed. Expenses and Revenues are on track. Second quarterly financial E-grant financial report is due July 31, 2018.

Coordinator Report – Ms. Berning provided statistics as follows: 157 total screened since 8/1/17; 30 active in program (19 drug test, 8 soberlink, 3 IDIP), 40 completed, 17 terminated, 4 deferred prosecution agreement; 70 not referred (probation hold, warrant, not appropriate offense)

CJS Office Security – Judge Duvall is concerned about the safety of CJS staff in Buffalo and Pepin County CJS Office. In Pepin County CJS staff shut and lock the door for purposes of confidentiality as the door will not remain shut unless it is locked. In Buffalo County, the CJS Case Manager is in a side office without a panic alarm. Judge Duvall made a motion, second by Mr. Wicktor to have Ms. Berning investigate into security options at both Buffalo and Pepin County offices. It was suggested putting a window in the door at Pepin County and a panic alarm under case manager's desk in Buffalo County. Also discussed utilizing emergency button on telephone as option in Pepin County.

IDIP Program – Discussed reasons why it would be appropriate to roll the IDIP program into the CJS – Supervised Diversion Program (SDP) utilizing the same policies and procedures as SDP. SDP is evidence based practices proven to lower recidivism whereas IDIP is too

rigid; jail recommendations may be too much or too little; fines were not reduced much under the current IDIP program; IDIP is 6 month in length – needs to be individualized plans; reviewed minimum mandatory of OWI cases. CJCC committee asked for CJS Steering Committee to provide financial impact and what an individualized case plan would look like. Would like to know specifics regarding sanctions/rewards, fines, jail, and the fiscal impact of decreasing soberlink costs and increasing drug testing. Mr. Brooks suggested providing 6 months of data and implementing a change on 1/1/19.

Unsupervised Diversion Program – tabled, carried over to next meeting as Adam Sticht is working on this project with Ms. Berning.

Supervised Diversion Program – Judge Duvall determined CJS does not need to obtain approval from CJCC regarding policies/procedures of said program.

Jail Re-entry Program – presentation given by Ms. Wiley, intern for Pepin County Public Health Department. Moving forward, Judge Duvall suggested focusing on inmates in jail 30 days or longer; determine who is going to implement the jail reentry program. [The original work group on this project was Mary Wood, Heidi Stewart and Craig Brooks. Ms. Wood discussed the need for work group for the jail reentry program. Ms. Stewart and Ms. Wood will continue to work together on reentry program and look into grants available]; Mr. Balow stated he would be able to generate a list of inmates in jail longer than 30 days similar to that provided by Buffalo County and Ms. Wiley suggested there are grants available for the jail reentry programs.

Family Building – Ms. Wood provided a brochure regarding The Literacy Link. She will discuss in greater detail at the next CJCC meeting.

Summary of work completed at CJCC 2011-2017 – Judge Duvall reviewed a summary he had prepared regarding all the great work as a result of the CJCC committee and the IDIP Program review. Please see attached.

Reports from Stakeholders, Project, Initiatives, Collaborations, and Goals – Judge Duvall reported this topic used to be on the CJCC agenda stating it needs to be added back to agenda.

Any other business to come before the Committee: None.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at noon in Alma, Wisconsin