

MINUTES

Criminal Justice Collaborating Council

February 22, 2017

1. **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Judge Randy Koschnick at 12:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Members present: Randy Koschnick, Circuit Court Judge; John David, Mayor – City of Watertown; Carla Robinson, Clerk of Courts; Kathi Cauley, Human Services Director; Jim Schroeder, County Board Chair; Susan Happ, District Attorney; J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel; Brian Dykstra, Department of Corrections; Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator; Dale Lutz, Captain – Jefferson Police Department; Michael Wallace, President/CEO-Fort Healthcare; Lynn Forseth, Literacy Council Executive Director; Sheriff Paul Milbrath and Jeffrey De la Rosa, Public Defender’s Office.

Excused: Barb LeDuc, Opportunities, Inc.

Others present: Mary Wittwer, WCS; Kristy Gusse, WCS; Yelena Zarwell and Captain Duane Scott.

3. **Certification of compliance with Open Meetings Law Requirements**

Staff certified compliance with the open meetings law.

4. **Review and approve minutes from January 25, 2017 meeting**

Motion by Schroeder; Second by Milbrath to approve the minutes from January 25, 2017. (Ayes-All) Motion Carried.

5. **Public Comment**

None

6. **New Business**

- a. Discussion and possible action related to 2017 DOJ grant application to include review of diversion programs and treatment court options

An offer has been made to Craig Holler to fill the CJCC Coordinator position. He will be at the next meeting. No action taken.

Information on the Waukesha County Drug Treatment Court Program and Flow Chart: Referral to Discharge and Waukesha County Drug Court Phase Chart was distributed for review. Gusse discussed the information. Wehmeier asked the group if this process is acceptable. The pros and cons were discussed. One model may not fit all needs. Other models were discussed. A subcommittee will be formed to research other models. Holler will take the lead on coordinating this subcommittee. No action taken.

- b. Stepping Up Initiative (Cauley)

Cauley talked with other counties and the objective of the “Stepping Up Initiative” is to decrease the number of people in jail with mental illness. She said that it might be helpful to form a subcommittee to serve as the “Stepping Up” Committee. This group would look at the situation that we have now and find ways to make improvements. Captain Scott will take the lead on coordinating this subcommittee. No action taken.

7. **Routine Reports**

- a. Update on monthly jail data

Jail data was provided for the committee to review. No action taken.

- b. Update on JCATC outcomes (Kristi Gusse)

A report was provided for the committee to review. Gusse reviewed the data. No action taken.

- Incentives to increase number of participants (De La Rosa)

De la Rosa took a look at surrounding counties to compare their drug and alcohol court requirements. He said Jefferson County has very similar requirements. He felt that there could be a discussion on modifying the 4th and 5th offenses. WCS is currently putting together a video testimonial to use as a tool for people considering the program. Gusse also discussed some other motivators that Waukesha County uses. No action taken.

- c. Update on SCRAM and Remote Breath

Compliance summary reports on SCRAM and Remote Breath were provided for the Council to review. Gusse reviewed the information. No action taken.

8. Updates on coordination with Recidivism Council and other agencies

Forseth said that the Recidivism Council did not meet this month. She met with a representative from the Workforce Development Board to talk about a 7 week program that could be used in the jail and community. Forseth will look into this further. No action taken.

9. Discussion on heroin/opiates/meth

Wallace said that the physicians group is realizing what a challenge this issue is. They are still in the inventory stage and gathering information. He offered an open invitation to anyone who has any thoughts on how the medical community can move forward to deal with this problem. No action taken.

10. General discussion for long term objectives of the CJCC

- a. **Out Brief from Treatment Courts Standards Training**

- b. **Discussion and possible action on Treatment Courts Standard Training Action Plans**

- c. **Discussion and possible action on data gathering on local criminal re-offenders, including criminogenic needs, possibly from jail and/or Probation & Parole**

Wehmeier said that they are currently dealing with the drug court. He and Gusse met with UW Whitewater staff. They have a lot of interest in the drug court and will be providing us with data. No action taken.

11. Agency Updates

No action taken.

12. Future meeting dates:

March 22, 2017

April 26, 2017

13. Tentative Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates

- Approval of February 22, 2017 CJCC meeting minutes

14. Adjourn

The Council adjourned at 12:58 p.m.