

MINUTES

Community Justice Collaborating Council

January 27, 2021

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Members present: Robert F. Dehring, Jr., Circuit Court Judge; Dwayne Morris, County Board Supervisor; Monica Hall, District Attorney; Cindy Hamre Incha, Clerk of Circuit Court; Emily McFarland, Mayor – City of Watertown; Amber Rumpf, Public Defender’s Office; Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator; Kathi Cauley, Human Services Director; Lynn Forseth, Literacy Council Executive Director; Alan Richter, Chiefs & Sheriff’s Association Representative; Barbara LeDuc, President/CEO-Opportunities, Inc; Michael Wallace, President/CEO-Fort Healthcare; Kendall Wick, Child Support Agency Representative; Gail Scott, Health Department Director; J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel.

Excused: Sarah Rogge, Department of Corrections; Paul Milbrath, Sheriff.

Others present: Kristi Gusse, WCS; Craig Holler, CJCC/Treatment Court Coordinator; Yelena Zarwell, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Judge Bennett Brantmeier; Rhonda Frank-Loron; Mick Selck, Chief of Police, Lake Mills; Whitney DeVoe, Assistant Corporation Counsel.

3. Certification of compliance with Open Meetings Law Requirements

Wehmeier certified compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

4. Review and approve minutes from December 16, 2020 meeting

Draft minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Morris/Hall to approve the minutes from December 16, 2020. Motion passed 15-0.

5. Public Comment

None

6. Report from CJCC/Treatment Coordinator (Holler)

A report was emailed for review. Holler said that two graduates will be going through a peer support program. Lindsey Ladwig from St. Petersburg College will be doing a comparative comparison with us and other counties. She will also be conducting surveys of the Treatment Court Team to see what can be done to improve our program overall. Referrals and applications numbers are increasing. No action taken.

7. Update on Jefferson County Alcohol Treatment Court (JCATC) & Jefferson County Drug Treatment Court (JCDTC) outcomes (Gusse)

- Data Update
- Current Operation Status
- Tentative Recovery Plan

Reports were provided for review. Gusse reviewed the reports. No action taken.

8. Update on Secure Continuous Remote Alcohol Monitor (SCRAM) and Remote Breath (Gusse)

Reports were provided for review. Gusse reviewed the reports. No action taken.

9. Report on Recidivism (CCAP) (Gusse)

Gusse reviewed the recidivism numbers. No action taken.

10. Update on Recidivism Council (Review Memorandum of Understanding for correctional education program) (Forseth)

The Recidivism Council met this morning and received updates from the participants. Moving toward intervention and cognitive behavior change instead of incarceration. Looking at ways to provide early intervention to try and break the cycle of incarceration. PAVE is concerned that domestic abuse may not be reported as much during COVID. The reason may be that the abuser is always at home and they cannot find private time to report. Drug Free Coalition is conducting a survey on youth substance use. The survey is on their Facebook page if you want to share. They continue servicing the jail through the support of the Sheriff’s Department and ZOOM calls. They have had the opportunity to connect

participants with colleges and apprentice programs. They continue to offer the GED program. They also offer an E-book app to access free books. No action taken.

11. Evidence Based Decision Making – System mapping (Holler)

Holler said that they have two more sessions to go. They need to work on Chapter 51 and Jail Due Process. The rest is complete. No action taken.

12. TAD Grant (Holler)

Holler will get more program information together and share it with the group. No action taken.

13. Update on monthly jail data (JESO)

Reports were provided for review. No action taken.

14. Update on Opioid Litigation

No update. No action taken.

15. Discussion on long term goals

Judge Brantmeier discussed creating a CHIPS Program in Jefferson County for CHIPS cases related to substance abuse. No action taken.

16. Discussion and possible action on policy revisions

Holler will give an update on this at the next meeting. No action taken.

17. Future Meeting dates:

- February 24, 2021 – via ZOOM at Noon
- March 24, 2021 – via ZOOM at Noon

18. Adjourn

Motion by Morris/Hall to adjourned at 12:36 p.m.