

**Justice and Mental Health Grant Program Ad Hoc Committee
January 4, 2011**

Call to Order. Chair Deupree called the meeting of the Justice and Mental Health Grant Program Ad Hoc Committee to order at 3:30 P.M. in Conference Room N-1 on the fifth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Neil Deupree, Greg Ammon, Brian Gies, Linda Scott Hoag, Lance Horozewski, Carrie Kulinski, Julie Lenzendorf, Denny Luster, Deputy Chief John Olsen, Dr. Bruce Erdmann (3:33 P.M.), Kate Flanagan (3:34 P.M.).

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen.

Others Present: None.

Approval of Agenda. Mr. Luster moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Ms. Kulinski. ADOPTED.

Introductions were made.

Report on Mental Health Grant Consultant Applications and Evaluations.

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Discussion and Action Regarding Recommendation of Mental Health Grant Consultant.

Chair Deupree said 15 – 20 invitations went out, they received a few questions and one proposal came back. The proposal from ZiaPartners was handed out. Chair Deupree said four Ad Hoc members did the evaluation of the program and he then asked for feedback from these people.

Ms. Scott Hoag said the organization was dynamic and well organized. The main concern she felt was the cost as they came in with a proposal of \$47,500, which is over the \$40,000 they had budgeted. The remaining \$10,000 grant funds were to go for travel, to the League of Women Voters, and for supplies.

Chair Deupree asked how they wanted to deal with the proposal. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said she has asked the Purchasing Manager for a breakdown of the proposal so they could see if there is anything in it that could be done by someone else.

Ms. Flanagan said one of her current supervisors is familiar with ZiaPartners and said we would be very lucky to have them.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said Mr. Fizzell also recommended Dr. Minkoff, one of the ZiaPartners consultants.

Mr. Ammon said they seem very well organized and from a business plan they should be able to provide a 1-year, 5-year, etc. plan.

Ms. Scott Hoag said they had clinical and data people on board.

Ms. Flanagan said she was very impressed with the appendices and models in the proposal.

Mr. Luster said the proposal was well written, was specific to the State and he liked the team and systematic approaches,

Chair Deupree asked if someone would be following up with the references and qualifications, with Ms. Pohlman McQuillen replying she would work with Ms. Millis, the Purchasing Manager, on this.

Chair Deupree said since the reviews are positive the only thing to keep them from recommending them to the County Board would be negative references and the cost.

Ms. Scott Hoag said the proposal is written for both ZiaPartners and TriWest Group and wondered if we would need both groups working with us.

Mr. Ammon said they would not be paying the entire amount up-front and maybe they could scrape together more money from other sources.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the grant expires the end of September, but based on information learned from the federal drug court grant, they can most likely ask for a 1-year extension.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen reminded them that Mr. Luster, Ms. Flanagan and she would be going to the mandatory conference in February.

Ms. Flanagan said she liked the idea of looking at the breakout of the proposal and said they may have some resources from within to see if anything could be done here.

Ms. Horozewski said they have a McArthur grant they may be able to use some funds from for this. He said he would look into it.

Chair Deupree said the process is for us to recommend someone to the CJCC, who will recommend them to the Public Safety and Justice Committee and they will recommend them to the County Board for their February 10th meeting. He moved that he, Ms. Pohlman McQuillen, and a few others see what they can negotiate with ZiaPartners on their fees and reports. All agreed. ADOPTED.

Discussion Regarding Mental Health Grant Planning and Implementation Guide.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said she, Ms. Flanagan and Mr. Luster have a teleconference set up for Friday with JMHCP. Chair Deupree said they needed to answer parts I. and II. of the Planning and Implementation Guide.

Chair Deupree said I.A. was completed by Ms. Pohlman McQuillen.

I.B. Mission, Goals, Objectives, and Work Plans.

1. What is the mission statement of your grant initiative? The Committee discussed this and came up with the following:

“Enhance public safety through the improvement of service delivery outcomes for individuals experiencing mental health and co-occurring disorders who are or are at risk to be involved with justice systems.”

2. What are the long- and short-term goals for the grant initiative?

Short-Term Goals

- a) Hire consultant to evaluate systems.
- b) Participation in data collection.
- c) Attend conference.
- d) Committee will educate/become informed of relevant data research.
- e) Committee will increase its understanding of community needs and best practice standards by attending conferences, site visits, round tables and community focus groups.

Long-Term Goals

- a) Deliver a report evaluating the interface between the justice systems and mental health/AODA system/other systems for these individuals with mental health or co-occurring disorders.
- b) Draft of Strategic Plan to achieve recommended systems.

3. How were the goals developed? Collaboration between community systems within the ad hoc committee.

4. Have the goals been converted into work plans yet? Will any changes in policy or procedures be needed to implement the work plans? No.

5. Do you have the staff and financial resources needed to implement work plans to achieve your goals? If not, how are you going to move forward? No, but we are close.

C. Needs Assessment and Service Inventory Questions 1-4 are answered.

II. Initiative Design

A. Target Population

1. What mental health diagnosis are included and excluded from the grant initiative's eligibility criteria? What level/severity of disability is included and excluded?

Functionally impaired. They would look at the top 2-3 recommendations from the consultants report. This would be for whichever group has the greatest need.

This is the point the Committee stopped for the day.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen handed out a U.S. Department of Justice flyer about a training entitled “Crisis Intervention Teams – A Frontline Response to Mental Illness in Corrections”.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said this Thursday they will have their first graduate from Veterans Court.

Time and Date for Future Meetings. The Committee agreed to meet on February 4th at 1 P.M. in N-1.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 4:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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