

Rock County
Evidence-Based Decision Making Committee
Thursday, February 14, 2019 minutes
Conference Rooms N-1/N-2

- 1) Call to Order. Chair Smith called the meeting of the EBDM Committee to order at 12:02 P.M.
- 2) Committee Members Present. Josh Smith, Stephen Meyer, Kate Luster, Faun Moses, Commander Erik Chellevoid, Judge Karl Hanson, David O'Leary, Judge Michael Haakenson, Judge Alan Bates, Supervisor Terry Fell, Chief David Zibolski, Dorothy Harrell and Troy Enger at 12:25 P.M.
- 3) Committee Members Absent. Lori Luther, Chief David Moore, Jacki Gackstatter and Sherrick Anderson.
- 4) Staff Members Present. Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Justice System Manager; Dr. Kendra Schiffman, HSD Analyst; Dara Mosley, Interim IT Director and Tracey VanZandt, HR Secretary.
- 5) Others Present. Michael Gutjahr, Erin King and Daniela Imig; JusticePoint.
- 6) Approval of Agenda. Mr. O'Leary moved approval of the agenda, second by Chief Zibolski. ADOPTED.
- 7) Election of Chair and Vice Chair. Mr. Smith asked for nominations for Chair of EBDM. Ms. Luster nominated Mr. Smith, second by Mr. O'Leary. Mr. Smith accepted the nomination. Mr. Smith asked for other nominations. Hearing none, Mr. Smith closed the nominations and asked for a vote on his nomination. Mr. Smith was unanimously voted Chair of EBDM.

Mr. Smith asked for nominations for Vice Chair of EBDM. Mr. O'Leary nominated Judge Bates, second by Chief Zibolski. Judge Bates accepted the nomination. Mr. Smith asked for other nominations. Hearing none, Mr. Smith closed the nominations and asked for a vote on Judge Bates' nomination. Judge Bates was unanimously voted Vice Chair of EBDM.
- 8) Approval of Minutes of November 29, 2018. Mr. O'Leary moved the approval of the minutes of November 29, 2018 as presented, second by Chief Zibolski. ADOPTED.
- 9) Welcome and Discussion Regarding EBDM Status. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves. Chair Smith reminded the committee that EBDM was formed to function

throughout the time that technical assistance was provided. Technical assistance ended so EBDM had to be re-formed by resolution through the County Board. The committee has now been reconstituted and Ad Hoc has been removed from the title. The membership of the committee was reviewed at this time as well. Chair Smith reminded the committee of its mission statement. The committee discussed meeting dates and times. It was decided the policy team will meet the same day and time every other month and the workgroups will continue to meet monthly. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will schedule the meetings for the calendar year 2019 and send out the schedule to the committee.

10) Discussion and Possible Action on EBDM Change Targets.

Behavioral Health Information Sharing- Ms. Luster said they have not met. They continue using the flag. Mr. O'Leary asked when use of force data would be available. Ms. Luster said they will pull that data together for the next meeting.

Risk Assessment/Pretrial-

Pretrial Pilot Status: Chair Smith introduced Ms. Imig, Mr. Gutjahr and Ms. King from JusticePoint. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said we have a fully executed contract with JusticePoint and the pilot started last week. Mr. Gutjahr is working in the jail doing assessments. He provided a handout on the data collection process. They are still working on a NCIC workaround. JusticePoint will be conducting a PSA, MCPRAI and LSI-R:SV on every individual in the jail. The PSA does not require an interview but the MCPRAI requires cooperation from the inmate. The pilot will give us a better idea of staffing needs for the future. Chair Smith encouraged everyone to thank the County Board for supporting EBDM efforts.

Education and Outreach Efforts for Pretrial Pilot: When is it appropriate to do education with stakeholders and public? Chair Smith said it is better to be proactive. Chief Zibolski suggested the best time would be once we have baseline data to share. He also felt outreach at the legislative level would be beneficial. Mr. O'Leary would like to see continuous training within the agencies. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said they are working on pretrial training for the local sites at the state level. DOJ is assisting with funds for this training. Judge Bates suggested creating an on-boarding video. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said there is a possibility of train-the-trainer for the PSA. The State of Wisconsin applied for technical assistance with the Arnold Foundation. A decision will be made in March. Mr. O'Leary said there was a new executive order reauthorizing the State CJCC.

Discussion Regarding Interface between Risk Assessment and Alternative Justice Program Participation: Our vision at the beginning of EBDM was to create an assessment center. We are taking baby steps and working on an alternative to the assessment center. We need flexibility to go with the flow and make progress, even if it deviates from the original plan. We are not looking to abandon the idea of an assessment

center but are conceptualizing how to expand without one. Feedback is requested from the committee.

Risk Reduction Interventions-

Implementation Update: Chair Smith said they are almost ready to implement the Diversion program for low risk individuals. They plan on doing it during intake court, similar to the pilot. They are still working with Victim Witness on the notification process. They would like education of stakeholders before implementation. They are working on enhanced Deferred Prosecution policy and procedures and case management resources. They want to get the Diversion program implemented first before concentrating on Deferred Prosecution.

Municipal Courts: Chair Smith said Ms. Koehl spoke with the Janesville City Attorneys and they would still like to refer retail thefts for risk assessment but haven't considered a broader referral. We are open to working with other municipal courts as well.

Stakeholder Outreach and Engagement - Mr. Enger said they have not met but will move forward on information discussed today.

- 11) **Revised Scorecard.** Chair Smith passed out the scorecard. The committee discussed how we are going to measure the data. Mr. O'Leary suggested forming a data committee. The state is working on procurement of a data collection software for all EBDM counties for pretrial data.
- 12) **Update on State EBDM.** Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said they are going through operational guides and model policies for the pretrial pilot. There will be a non-competitive grant opportunity from DOJ to assist with implementation.
- 13) **Citizen Participation and Announcements.** None.
- 14) **Future Meeting Date:** Thursday, April 11, 2019, N1-N2, 5th Floor Courthouse East
- 15) **Adjournment.** Ms. Luster moved adjournment at 1:14 P.M., second by Mr. O'Leary.
ADJOURNED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey VanZandt,

HR Secretary

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