

## Rock County

### Evidence-Based Decision Making Ad Hoc Committee

Thursday, February 9, 2017 minutes

#### Conference Rooms N-1/N-2

- 1) Call to Order. There was no quorum at 12:08 p.m. Quorum was met at 1:03 p.m. and Chair Nelson called the meeting to order.
- 2) Committee Members Present. Chair Eric Nelson, Chief David Moore, Kate Luster, Jacki Gackstatter, Troy Enger, Josh Smith, Commander Erik Chellevoid, Judge Alan Bates, Vice Chair Sandra Kraft, Judge Michael Haakenson at 12:56 p.m. and Stephen Meyer at 1:03 p.m.
- 3) Committee Members Absent. Judge Daniel Dillon, Judge James Daley, Chief David Zibolski, Dorothy Harrell, Angela Moore, David O'Leary, Sheriff Robert Spoden and Judge Brooke Joos.
- 4) Staff Members Present. Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Tracey VanZandt, HR Secretary; Gina Koehl, Deferred Prosecution Director and Dara Mosley, Public Safety Systems Manager.
- 5) Others Present. None.
- 6) Approval of Agenda. Judge Bates moved approval of the agenda, second by Mr. Meyer. ADOPTED.
- 7) Approval of Minutes of January 10, 2017. Judge Bates moved approval of the minutes of January 10, 2017, second by Ms. Luster. ADOPTED.
- 8) Report on How Policy Team Members are advancing EBDM in their Agencies. Chair Nelson reported his office recently had a staff meeting at which they discussed EBDM.

Commander Chellevoid said the Sheriff's Office has gone to a new training process with their Deputies. The message to the trainees has changed. They are being taught to find the root problem of a call. Commander Chellevoid called a time-out during the training and explained how EBDM could tie into this process. Most of the trainers were aware of EBDM and the information was well received.

Chair Nelson reminded everyone that the Mark Carey Kick-Off event is now online for viewing.

Chief Moore said EBDM is the buzzword around the Janesville Police Department (JPD) due to many individuals being on EBDM workgroups and the behavioral health pilot program. Chief Moore has sent the link of the Kick-Off event to all members of his department. Mr. O'Leary is conducting some in-service training for JPD and intermixed with that is information on EBDM.

Mr. Smith said there will be an EBDM presentation at the Rock County Board of Supervisor's meeting on Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. It should be about twenty to thirty minutes and it will be the same format as the Kick-Off event.

#### 9) EBDM Workgroup Updates.

**Risk Reduction Intervention-** Mr. Smith said they met again and continued their discussion on pre-charge diversion and enhanced deferred prosecution. They worked on the flow chart. They started discussing programming. Ms. Koehl said the recommendation is to take the current Deferred Prosecution program and split it into two programs. The pre-charge diversion program will be for low-risk individuals. One hope is if they successfully complete the program, the charge will not be entered in CCAP. They are researching what other counties are currently using for their pre-charge program. One option would be a short educational video followed by a thinking log. Another option would be community service along with a letter of apology. The workgroup prefers the educational video option. They are going to view a sample educational video at a future meeting. A letter of apology in addition to the educational video would be an option as well. They had a lengthy discussion about where Victim Witness falls into pre-charge diversion. They have some ideas on this. Enhanced Deferred Prosecution will be for low-to-moderate-risk individuals and the workgroup will discuss this at their next meeting. The State Public Defender will have to determine at what point they will be involved.

**Pretrial and Risk Assessment-** Commander Chellevoid said there is no update on the status of the PSA. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said she spoke with Matt Raymer at DOJ, and they are going to be applying for a grant which they will use to promote pretrial in Wisconsin. They are requesting all EBDM sites to partner with them. The grant is for \$1.7 million over three years. The preliminary budget for one year for pretrial would be about \$300,000. The grant would likely only give about \$72,000 to each partner county. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen has the draft budget in print if anyone would like to see it. Commander Chellevoid said the workgroup is recommending the LSI-R products for the longer term risk assessment. Several departments in the county already use this product so there is familiarity. They discussed what an assessment center would look like. What can be done with our current resources to get the ball rolling? We would need a pilot of one to two months of data. They have decided to use the MCPRAI for the pilot but will change to the PSA once it has been approved for use. Mr. Enger shared that DOC uses COMPAS. There was an article written about racial bias with COMPAS. Mr. Enger has

seen a rebuttal article with different outcomes. Contact Mr. Enger if you are interested in viewing any of the articles. The group agreed we need to be careful with the validation process on whatever risk assessment is chosen. One drawback of the LSI products is the cost per assessment. It will need to be determined where these funds will come from.

**Behavioral Health Information Sharing-** Chief Moore said this workgroup has not met but they are continuing to work on the pilot program with JPD.

**Community Education/Outreach-** Chief Moore said the workgroup met and they are developing a PowerPoint presentation. They will use this presentation for the County Board. Ms. Carter is working on a TED talk-like presentation. She has a presenter that has offered his services. They are working with our message triangle from our scorecard. The three points are: enhance public safety, promote fairness and allocate resources effectively. Chief Moore provided a communication example handout. This workgroup is asking the three other workgroups to develop two messages on each point that relates to their change target. They would like to use these examples for EBDM presentations. Chief Moore requested these worksheets be returned to him by the April meeting. Judge Bates suggested a presentation at the Bar Association's biggest meeting in February or a continuing education meeting for the largest outreach to attorneys.

- 10) **Policy Team Discussion regarding Phase VI of EBDM Initiative.** Ms. Pohlman McQuillen passed out the collaboration survey results. Judge Bates volunteered to lead the discussion on the results. All items scored better this time except for questions 7 and 24. This is great news. The survey was sent out to 22 participants and the results were based on 13 responses. The question then became how we can re-engage everyone on the entire policy team. Is anyone willing to reach out to members that haven't been in attendance for some time? Is it the meeting day or time that is the barrier?

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Meeting called to order at 1:03 P.M.

Chief Moore made a motion to use the LSI-R products for the long-term criminogenic risk screen and assessment for the pilot, second by Mr. Meyer. ADOPTED.

- 11) **Update on State EBDM.** Mr. Gubbin could not be in attendance today so he provided a hand out for Ms. Pohlman McQuillen to distribute. The state has added one change target goal being Dosage Probation. They have integrated all the workgroups into the existing CJCC subcommittees. They will be meeting the week of Feb 21<sup>st</sup>. They are still working on position papers as well.
- 12) **Citizen Participation and Announcements.** Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said Ms. Carter will be here again in March. We will pack all meetings with her into two days. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen is working on scheduling meeting times. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said that Ms. Carter's Wisconsin schedule has been thrown off and she needs to get her

Waukesha meetings aligned with Rock County. Due to this fact, Ms. Carter will be here again at the April meetings. These meetings are right before the holiday. Policy team members should let Ms. Pohlman McQuillen know right away if they can't attend the April meetings.

13) Future Meeting Date: Thursday, March 9, 2017, Noon, Conference Rooms N1-N2, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Courthouse East

14) Adjournment. Mr. Smith moved adjournment at 1:11 P.M., second by Ms. Gackstatter.  
ADJOURNED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey VanZandt

HR Secretary

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