

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
Minutes – September 17, 2015

Call to Order. Chair Nelson called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:05 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Eric Nelson, Supervisor Sandra Kraft, Lance Horozewski, Chief David Moore, Steve Howland, Charmian Klyve, Heath Bierman (alt. for Charles Jones), Bill Rankin, Regina Hendrix (alt. for Marc Perry), David O’Leary and Troy Enger at 3:12.

Committee Members Absent: Judge Richard Werner, Lorenzo Henderson, Sheriff Robert Spoden, Max Arriaga, Mary Weaver and Angela Moore.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Tracey VanZandt, HR Secretary; Patricia Nixon, Economic Support Supervisor; Gina Koehl, Deferred Prosecution Director.

Others Present: Neil Deupree; Kathleen Duschene, Racine Kenosha Community Action Agency; Ethel Below, and Lynda Owens.

Approval of Agenda. Mr. Howland moved approval of the agenda, second by Ms. Klyve. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes of August 20, 2015. Ms. Kraft moved approval of the minutes, second by Mr. Horozewski. ADOPTED.

Report on Medicare/Medicaid/Obamacare and what is covered. Ms. Klyve introduced Pat Nixon, Lead Economic Support Supervisor. It was noted that Economic Support can only determine eligibility. They have no detailed information on what services are covered and the cost of those services. Ms. Nixon provided a handout titled “Guide to Applying for Wisconsin’s Health, Nutrition and Other Programs”. Once Economic Support determines that an individual is eligible based on income then Enrollment Services mails information to the recipient as to what HMO’s they can choose from. Any questions on HMO’s or coverage gets referred to Enrollment Services. If the recipient does not return paperwork, then Enrollment Services will assign an HMO for the individual. Homeless participants can use the Job Center to receive mail. They must pick up their mail every two to three weeks. There are provisions in place for incarcerated individuals where they can apply over the telephone a short time before their release to prevent any gap in coverage. Ms. Nixon passed out a flyer titled “WI DOC and County Jail MA Application Process”. The question was asked if DOC follows up with inmates to make sure this is happening. Mr. Enger will ask and follow up at a future meeting. If an individual falls below Federal Poverty Level then they would be eligible for Badgercare and if above they would fall into the Affordable Care Act. For individuals that fall in between the two programs, the State is offering a GAP coverage. In order to qualify the individual must provide denial letters from both Medicaid and ACA. Single adults with no minor children must meet certain work requirements with no exemptions to be eligible for Foodshare. If they do not meet the work requirements, benefits will be sanctioned for 33 months.

Kathie Duschene was introduced as an Affordable Care Act Navigator. She can assist individuals with navigating the Marketplace.

Update and Discussion on EBDM Initiative. Chair Nelson passed out updated systems map. There has been no EBDM meeting since our last CJCC meeting. The next EBDM meeting is scheduled for September 30 at 9:15am. Mr. O'Leary updated the group with what is going on at the State level. They are mapping, as well. They are trying to determine who are the individuals making the decisions and what options are available.

Discussion about Law Enforcement Concerns. Chief Moore reported that within approximately a one week timespan that there were four reported heroin overdoses, with one resulting in death. Two of those overdoses were out of town individuals, which leads law enforcement to believe that we may have stronger heroin here. This is alarming as we have not seen these numbers in a while. The availability of Narcan was discussed.

Consideration of Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action. It was noted that CJCC is the advisory board for the Drug Court. Members of the CJCC requested periodic updates on treatment courts in the future, along with Dr. Gregory's Drug Court evaluation, which he is conducting this fall.

Drug Court is not currently at capacity. This is something the group wants to discuss further. Success stories would be a nice discussion topic, as well.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. Mental Health and Wellness Fair is going on today, Sept. 17th, at the Rock County Job Center from 12-6 pm.

Job Fair next Tuesday, Sept. 22 from 1-4 pm. 50 employers are expected to attend.

Future Meeting Date: Thursday, October 15, 2015, 3:00 P.M., Courthouse Conference Center, 2nd Floor Courthouse East.

Adjournment. Mr. O'Leary moved adjournment at 4:07 P.M., second by Mr. Enger. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
HR Secretary

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