

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
Minutes – April 18, 2019

Call to Order. Chair Horozewski called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:04 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Kelly Mattingly, Chief David Moore, Chair Lance Horozewski, Vicki Brown (alt. for Angela Moore), Bill Rankin, Steve Howland, Jim Neitzel (alt. for Troy Enger), Commander Craig Strouse (alt. for Sheriff Troy Knudson), Perry Folts (alt. for David O’Leary), Supervisor Terry Fell, Kate Luster and Carol Wickersham.

Committee Members Absent: Billy Bob Grahn, Judge Daniel Dillon, Chief David Zibolski, Marc Perry and Lonnie Brigham.

Staff Members Present: Dr. Kendra Schiffman, HSD Analyst; and Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Justice System Manager.

Others Present: Rahn Gearhart, J.O.B.; Ethel Below; Neil Deupree; Mike Fallon, J.O.B. Beloit; Supervisor Kathy Schulz, County Board; and Frank Schultz, Janesville Gazette.

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

Approval of Minutes of March 21, 2019. Mr. Mattingly moved approval of the minutes as presented, second by Ms. Brown. ADOPTED.

Follow-Up to Criminal Justice System Data and Racial and Ethnic Disparities and Criminal Justice Reform Discussion and Develop Action Steps. Dr. Schiffman said when she started drilling down on 2016 Beloit disorderly conduct data she found that more than 1/3 had a domestic violence enhancer which results in a mandatory arrest. There is no way to break this out in UCR data. The data would have to come directly from the jurisdictions. The reason the committee decided to drill down on disorderly conduct is because it was thought that most disorderly conduct arrests were discretionary, but that is not the case in more than 1/3 of the arrests. This will throw off the disparity data. Mr. Mattingly suggested we choose another offense to drill down further.

Chief Moore posed the question: What if the disparity rate is the same for discretionary versus non-discretionary arrests? The community component is important. He said the Janesville Police Department (JPD) did research on recent major crimes. They decided to be proactive on crime to resolve conflict before it results in a more serious crime. This proactive approach may result in more disorderly conduct arrests.

The committee decided to continue drilling down by age and discretionary vs. non-discretionary on the disorderly conduct without the domestic violence enhancer and marijuana arrests.

Update on Process for Surrendering Firearms. Several years ago, the committee discussed this topic and an update was requested. Commander Strouse explained that when the court orders an 813 injunction, the Sheriff’s Office gets notified by fax. The individual surrendering firearms to the Sheriff’s Office gets a property receipt. The enforcement of the injunction lies with the Courts.

Discussion regarding Law Enforcement Response to Opioid Overdoses. Tabled until next meeting.

Discussion Regarding Restorative Justice. Ms. Wickersham said she will reach out to some contacts to see if they would be interested in presenting at a future meeting.

EBDM Update. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said they met. JusticePoint is working in the jail collecting data. Data collection ends in May. This data will help determine future staffing needs. There is hope to use the PSA as a decision making tool starting this summer. There is a potential start date on the new Diversion program, which will be based on risk level, of June 11th.

Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Concerns. None.

Consideration of Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action (from current and past meetings).

- Chief Moore would like to track school violence
- Mr. Brigham would like a presentation on Restorative Justice
- EBDM presentation on Risk Assessment
- Mr. Perry would like to speak with Homeless liaisons in Beloit and Janesville to get an update on unaccompanied youth population
- Ms. Wickersham would like a conversation on AODA/Mental Health services in the Rock County jail and wrap around services in the community. Mr. Brigham would like to extend this to Rock County youth.
- Safe Families presentation
- Mr. Perry said there have been several studies that name Wisconsin as the most segregated state. He would like to have a conversation around solutions to this issue. He will forward the links to these studies for Ms. Pohlman McQuillen to distribute.
- Mr. Brigham would like to know the percentage of juvenile citations in schools and how this is working.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. Mr. Gearhart said he believes that economic stress impacts the disparity data.

Future Meeting Date: Thursday, May 16, 2019, 3:00 P.M., Courthouse Conference Center, 2nd Floor Courthouse East

Adjournment. Commander Strouse moved to adjourn at 4:06 P.M., second by Ms. Luster.
ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt,
HR Secretary

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