

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL**  
**Minutes – August 21, 2014**

**Call to Order.** Chair Nelson called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:02 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

**Committee Members Present:** Eric Nelson, Steve Howland, Max Arriaga, Lance Horozewski, Charmian Klyve, Billy Bob Grahn (for Sandra Kraft), Chief Moore, Perry Folts (for David O’Leary), Bill Rankin, Troy Enger, Marv Wopat, Angela Moore (3:05 P.M.), Judge Daley (3:10 P.M.).

**Committee Members Absent:** Regina Dunkin, Lorenzo Henderson, Charles Jones and Sheriff Spoden.

**Staff Members Present:** Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst.

**Others Present:** Neil Deupree, BHRSC; Kathy Stephenson and Colleen Wisch, NAMI; Ethel Below, Lynda Owens, Moses; Sarah Johnson, Janesville Mobilizing4Change; Amanda Lake, Beloit Memorial Hospital Counseling Care Center; Tony Farrell, Candy Schenck, Gail Richardson, District Court Administrator; Sarah Wampole-Maciejeski, Rock County DTC, Kate Buker, Assistant District Attorney.

**Approval of Agenda.** Mr. Howland moved approval of the agenda, second by Mr. Wopat. ADOPTED.

**Approval of Minutes of July 17, 2014.** Chair Nelson said Troy Enger’s name was spelled incorrectly as Egger.

Supervisor Grahn moved approval of the minutes of July 17, 2014 with this correction, second by Mr. Horozewski. ADOPTED.

**Discussion regarding Drug Court and Capacity Issues** Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said Supervisor Kraft requested this item for discussion, due to her absence, we will move this item to the September meeting agenda.

**Follow-up Discussion about Heroin in Rock County** Supervisor Grahn stated there is a lot of information out there in Rock County regarding this problem. Our law enforcement is well trained, however, we need more treatment centers and Mr. Wopat added not only for heroin treatment, but all substance (residential) treatment. People have to leave Rock County to receive the treatment needed. Ms. Moore arrived and Chair Nelson introduced Ms. Moore to the Committee and welcomed her. Ms. Moore shared some information about her role as the Executive Director of the YWCA. Ms. Klyve said the Human Services Department has been funding the suboxone treatment and they are hiring a psychiatrist that will be able to prescribe suboxone. She added that they are trying to have all HSD outpatient counselors be dually certified. Supervisor Grahn said last week he couldn’t find treatment for someone who asked for help. He stressed the importance of the window of opportunity to get the treatment needed and the need for long term treatment options. A heroin addict needs at least 5-7 days in detox before starting treatment for a true chance at recovery. Chair Nelson said there is a webinar on September 9<sup>th</sup> regarding drug court and information on treatment. Mr. Wopat said not every heroin

addict needs suboxone and people have to detox to get off the suboxone. Judge Daley asked how do you know who needs suboxone and who doesn't? Mr. Wopat said a good AODA assessment may be able to help us determine who needs the treatment. Chief Moore stated this is an epidemic issue and we should find out how other communities are treating and where's the money coming from. Judge Daley suggested checking with the state CJCC to see if someone has ideas. Supervisor Grahn said he's frustrated, we have talked about this for three years and we still have no answers. Mr. Howland referred to the handouts from Ms. Pohlman McQuillen "Strategies and Solutions" and suggested we tap into this. Mr. Wopat said 1 – 2 days average stay in detox, is not a detox. We are not doing justice to the individuals. Chief Moore referred to Officer Foster's comment that the individuals are getting "detoxed" in jail. Chair Nelson said we need to get the individuals in Drug Court quicker. Supervisor Grahn mentioned somewhere in Texas, they have a section of the jail segregated for treatment and another section for detox. Mr. Horozewski said due to the lack of resources and closing of hospitals, the jails have become a detox place. Mr. Wopat inquired if we could go to the County Board and ask for money due to the need of treatment. Ms. Klyve said she would speak with her colleagues to see what options are out there. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will query counties that have a CJCC and see if there is something through the statewide CJCC. Judge Daley said we need to identify the models that are out there in the state and ask the people what worked for them, what are your success stories. Ms. Klyve suggested asking another question – how many times did it take for them to get it right? Ms. Klyve asked Mr. Enger what works for them and he will talk with his staff. Mr. Wopat mentioned Tuesday night at the Trinity Church in Janesville (corner of Court St) at 7:00 P.M. is a men's recovery meeting.

**Conversation about Violence/Shootings in Beloit** City of Beloit Police Chief Jacobs shared his concerns regarding the homicides in Beloit. He stated this year has been exceptional. There have been over various cases without any connection to each other. They are using available overtime to put extra officers on patrol and stopping cars legally, checking for guns. There is an easy access to guns on the black market, "they" love having a gun, it gives "them" power on the street. Chief Jacobs stated there is some drug connection with some of the shootings. There is a history of unsupervised kids, along with truant kids from 12-14 years of age. Chief Jacobs said there was a rally at Summit Park, people want to get together and try to help the community be safe. Business leaders have offered money to help. Mr. Horozewski added the Janesville and Beloit communities have a comprehensive approach to educate the kids and families at risk. There is a grant available and due by September 22nd, violence prevention with kids, training at the neighborhood level, also operation cease fire will be part of the program. Mr. Horozewski stated a reason for not conducting this training at the schools is due to the fact that the truant kids are not there. Chief Jacobs wants people to feel safe and said no one should be afraid to walk in Beloit.

**Discussion and Possible Support for District Attorney's Request for Additional Assistant District Attorney Positions** Mr. Folts said Mr. O'Leary is in the process of writing the budget and he will be requesting two additional Assistant District Attorneys. Mr. Folts said for the work load required in their office, they should have at least 3 to 4 more ADA's. Ms. Buker stated studies have shown they should have eight additional ADA's. Mr. Folts said Mr. O'Leary would appreciate the support from this Committee in requesting the additional staff.

Supervisor Grahn moved to approve this request, second by Mr. Rankin. ADOPTED.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen stated a letter would be sent to Mr. O'Leary next week.

**Update on Evidence Based Practice Decision Making Initiative** Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said she was told that five or six counties will be chosen in October.

**Briefing on Law Enforcement Concerns** Chief Moore stated they are tracking the Ferguson Missouri situation and added all law enforcement needs training on attacks/self-defense. The Janesville Police Officers are wearing small video cameras that either can go on glasses or uniform shirt. At first, the officers were hesitant, but are happy now. The County squad cars have the video cameras mounted on their car (some cars are equipped and others are not).

**Consideration of Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action** Chief Moore said Officer Foster will return to the September meeting. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the October meeting will be held at the Merrill Community Center in Beloit. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said if anyone is interested in holding the meeting at another location, let her know.

**Citizen Participation and Announcements** Mr. Deupree announced an upcoming event on Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M., at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Beloit. Pastor Brenda Atlas from Bethel A.M.E. Church will speak on “Mass Incarceration in Wisconsin”. Ms. Owens asked if Chief Jacobs would come back and talk anymore on the shootings. Chair Nelson replied there wouldn’t be any other information Chief Jacobs would be able to share, since the cases are still open. Ms. Schenck stated she can have contact with her son, now that he is in prison and she said she is in the process of writing a book about the injustice her son received from this County. Mr. Farrell said September is Suicide Prevention Month and he will be giving presentations at the Hedberg Library on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 P.M. and Beloit Public Library on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. He said the program is a joint effort, a countywide program. September 10<sup>th</sup> is International World Suicide Day and the week of September 7<sup>th</sup> through September 13<sup>th</sup> is Suicide Prevention Week. YES (Youth Emotional Stability) is sponsoring a walk/run on September 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M. at the Rock County Fairgrounds.

**Future Meeting Date: Thursday, September 18, 2014, 3:00 P.M., Courthouse Conference Center, 2nd Floor Courthouse East**

**Adjournment.** Mr. Wopat moved adjournment at 4:43 P.M., second by Judge Daley. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Zastoupil  
Human Resources Secretary

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