



Minutes - September 19, 2024

Call to Order: Chair Perry called the hybrid meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:01 P.M. via Zoom and Conference Room N1/N2 Courthouse East.

Committee Members Present: Steve Howland, Charles Westerberg (alt. for Carol Wickersham), Amiee Leavy, Judge Barbara McCrory, Ryan Trautsch, Supervisor Erica Boehlke, Amanda Nelson, Kevin Smith, Chief Chad Pearson, Chief Andre Sayles, David O'Leary, Marc Perry, and Sara Leidholdt (alt. for Troy Enger),

Committee Members Absent: Billy Bob Grahn, Lonnie Brigham, Kate Luster, and Sheriff Curt Fell.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Justice System Strategist; Dr. Kendra Schiffman, Sr. Analyst.

Others Present: Supervisor Sue Ryan, Supervisor Mike Schwarz, Sheila Williams, and Neil Deupree, League of Women Voters.

Approve Agenda: Agenda item number 5 will be removed. Mr. Howland moved approval of the agenda with item five removed, second by Ms. Leavy. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes:

June 20, 2024: Mr. Howland moved approval of the minutes of June 20, 2024, as presented, second by Mr. Westerberg. ADOPTED.

Discussion and Possible Action on CJCC Mission, Vision, and Bylaws: The committee reviewed the vision, mission and bylaws.

Mr. Smith made a motion to add the word "transparent" to the vision statement which would read 'The Rock County CJCC is focused on creating a transparent, trustworthy and equitable legal system that supports safe and thriving communities.', second by Judge McCrory. ADOPTED.

The mission statement was updated to read 'The Rock County CJCC brings together community stakeholders, the Rock County legal system, and the citizens of Rock County for honest and respectful collaboration to improve and enhance public safety by advancing evidence-based practices, and improving outcomes within the justice system.' ADOPTED unanimously.

Mr. Howland moved to approve the bylaws with the updated vision and mission statements, second by Supervisor Boehlke. ADOPTED.

Report/Update on Rock County Drug Court: Item was removed from today's agenda.

Support for TAD Grant Application: Ms. Pohlman McQuillen had submitted the pre-approval application. We asked for \$150,000 for drug court, \$125,000 for Deferred Prosecution and \$150,000 for OWI fourths. The grant is only able to provide \$111,000 for OWI fourths. Human Services has been asked to provide funds in their 2025 budget for the remainder of costs for OWI fourths. TAD Grant application is due October 21st.

Mr. Smith moved to support the TAD Grant application with the addition of funds from Human Services to fund the OWI therapist, second by Supervisor Boehlke. ADOPTED.

Workgroup Updates:

EBDM Pretrial and Risk Assessment Workgroup: They met recently. They discussed electronic monitoring. It is holding at a capacity of 50 right now. No new individuals were added to the waitlist. When participants drop back down to 43, then they will open again. It was decided that most of those spots would be held for the Court Commissioners. They would like a meeting to discuss the new assessment with all stakeholders. Outreach and education on the assessment would be beneficial. A flier has been made and will be distributed.

EBDM Behavioral Health Information Sharing Workgroup: They touched base on adding judiciary representation to the workgroup. The State Public Defender's office will assign Attorney Tyler Klug to the workgroup. Some other topics they discussed: the Rock County Sheriff's office and Beloit Police Department both have open co-responder positions; looking into deflection and recirculating the MOU.

EBDM Risk Reduction Interventions Workgroup: The committee reviewed the statistics which Ms. Pohlman McQuillen will email the committee.

CJCC Domestic Violence Workgroup: This workgroup is led by Andrea Ehret. They are working on how to get the legality assessment score to stakeholders, could it be added to risk report, and learning how to use that information and the resources available.

CJCC Equity Workgroup: Ms. Leavy said they have met a few times. They are working on understanding plea bargaining. The workgroup was at an impasse on some decisions. The issues were referred to the Executive Workgroup.

Discussion regarding Law Enforcement Concerns: None.

Consideration of Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action: Workgroups will continue to meet.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None.

Next meeting date and time: November 21, 2024 at 3 P.M.

Adjournment: Ms. Leavy moved to adjourn at 4:13 P.M., second by Mr. Smith. ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey VanZandt
Secretary

NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY COMMITTEE.