

Criminal Justice Collaborating Council 12/1/2010 Minutes

The Criminal Justice Collaborating Council met in room 211 of the Ozaukee County Justice Center.

Present: Co-chair Dawn Ritter, Co-chair Cindy Bock, Family Living Educator Carol Bralich, Anthony Werth, County Supervisor Nancy Szatkowski, D.A. Adam Gerol, Mike Lappen, Kelly Evenson, Lt. Jeff Sauer, Judge Sandy Williams, Cpt. Dan Buntrock, Gail Bruss, Judge Steve Cain, Jeff Peck, Lauri Vanden Berg, Glenn Zipperer, Mary Lou Mueller, Superintendent Bill Harbron, Tom Kopp

Committee Members Absent/Excused: John Kuczmarski, Cpt. James Johnson, Perry Lieuallen, Paul Gantner

Others Present: Lisa Holtebeck, Coordinated Services Team (CST) and Gary Lafave, Freedom Life Skills

Call to Order/Proper Notice/Adoption of Agenda: Meeting was called to order by Co-chair Cindy Bock at 3:04 pm. The meeting was properly noticed, the agenda was adopted.

No agenda additions.

Public Correspondence/Communications:

Approval of September Minutes: Motion made by Lauri Vanden Berg, seconded by Cpt. Dan Buntrock to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Executive Committee Report & UWEX Family Living Report: Carol summarized the discussions from the November 16 Executive Committee meeting, which include the dates set for the 2011 calendar for both full council meetings and executive committee. Carol reported that the postponed data collection training through NIC is to be rescheduled for early 2011. There will be more information forthcoming.

The Executive committee asked if there would be value in having committee chairs meet in January discuss CJCC direction in 2011 by using results of 5 year goal discussions during committee meetings and planning the spring retreat. Carol will email chairs to set a date for this meeting.

April 13 is the suggested date for a spring retreat for the CJCC. Suggestions for the retreat include long range planning, collaborative self reflection or guest speakers from other county CJCCs.

The Executive Committee is pursuing the OJA grant application that is due December 22 for new or existing CJCCs. The grant requires a letter of support from all members. Carol will email members a template with which to design their personal or agency letter of support. We are on the HHS agenda for approval to apply for this grant.

Financial Report: Supervisor Bock explained the subcategories of the Ozaukee Foundation fiscal report, showing where donations from the solicitation letters will be housed. Specific donations are also listed as with the \$200 donation to Freedom Life Skills from the Ozaukee Home and Community Educators (HCE). The postage of approximately \$30 for the solicitation letters was paid by the administrative office.

Standing Committee Reports:

For complete Standing Committee meeting minutes, refer to the summaries emailed to the entire CJCC distribution list or contact the respective committee chair or Carol Bralich with questions.

Public Relations & Community Education: The committee members presented graphic designer Diane Lane a letter of commendation plaque from the county for donating her time in designing the new CJCC logo at their October meeting. Diane was thrilled to receive the plaque. Kelly Evenson shared that the committee discussed who our audience should be for public relations efforts and the timing of such efforts. Carol explained what Waukesha County's CJCC's has been working on. Endorsement policies, brochures and newsletters were all examples. Carol shared that she has started developing a power point to be used as members speak at rotary and other venues. Adam Gerol has contacts for the rotaries when we are ready to set up speaking engagements. The CJCC logo is located on the county main page and can be clicked on to access the CJCC main page. Carol will follow up with Lisa Curtis and other newspapers and begin developing press releases.

Prevention, Interventions, & Treatment: Cindy Bock reported that the NCIS visit at the October PIT meeting went favorably. After further discussions with the NCIS representatives, Cindy reported that a report will not be available for another year. A diversion proposal was submitted by Anthony Werth prior to the meeting. Additional changes are being developed by DA Adam Gerol and Anthony to possibly create a precharging diversion program, but not for OWI charges. Adam outlined in a handout for the group the program availability, disqualifiers and the role of the diversion specialist. Adam also provided sample documents of previously used diversion agreements. Jeff Peck questioned how this precharging diversion is different than probation. Dawn Ritter questioned what would happen if the person failed to meet the requirements of the diversion. They would not automatically go to jail, but go to trial. Clarification was given by Judge Williams as to why the Victim Panels are currently for 3rd OWI offense and not for first time offenders. The victim panel sessions are held collaboratively with Washington County

Court Review: Report given with PIT committee in regards to the diversion program.

Grant/Funding: Supervisor Nancy Szatkowski explained the “Generous Jurors” program in Eau Claire. Jurors would have the option to donate their jury duty stipend to the CJCC or one of its programs instead of being paid themselves. She has spoken with public safety and Tom Meaux. Everyone felt that this program would be a viable option to implement. Check cutting costs would be saved and a sign up slip for the juror would need to be developed. They are hoping to have this approved at the county board meeting in January 2011.

Nancy attended a break out session at the county association conference in the fall. She was impressed with Rock County’s justice programs and is looking into organizing a field trip to Rock County with the Public Safety Committee in the future.

Action Items: None

Guest Speaker and Discussion:

Gary Lafave from Freedom Life Skills joined the CJCC meeting. He provided the group with a written summary of the pilot program, including anecdotes from the participants and the invoices detailing the dollar amount contributed by the participant and what the balance remains. Gary’s comments include that there needs to be a consequence or incentive to stay in FLS. According to Gary, it takes a 3 year process to change “arrested development” that happened as a child.

Jeff Peck (DOC) commented that the pilot dealt with a difficult population, some dropped out in the initial phase, 1 individual reoffended since the graduation, and the graduation ceremony was a powerful testimonial by the participants.

Financial concerns include: participants started to hear that the county would pay for sessions, and participants personal financial habits affect their ability to pay their contribution portion. Gary would encourage session to be one time per week so there is more time for the participant to process the information and collect the fee required at each session. Trying to continue collecting the fees from the pilot program participants would be difficult. A motion was made by Tom Kopp to have the CJCC funds pay for the \$ 4,345 balance of the pilot to Freedom Life Skills. The motion was seconded by Jeff Peck. Motion carried.

Questions that surfaced: would there be a need for a court ordered session, can we do this with the judges as part of the diversion or can this be done as a condition of probation?

In regards to follow up, the FLS facilitators are calling participants. The DOC may be able to track in the system for a county database. For data comparison, the question came up of how do you have a control group with such a diverse group of participants for data comparison?

Bill Harbron reported that at NOSD, the juvenile summer pilot with FLS has resulted in several teachers commenting that students who participated have been having a change in behavior for the better. NOSD is looking for funding to incorporate FLS further.

Tom Kopp reported that Reentry Group needs to meet and consider Gary’s recommendations. Glenn Zipperer is willing to try implementing programming in the jail and Tom Kopp has a possible area to use FLS with adolescent females with HHS.

Committee ChairTasks: Committee chairs are to submit committee summaries of the 5 year goal survey responses to Carol Bralich.

Meeting Schedules: The Criminal Justice Collaborating Council will meet at the following date and time for the next meeting: **Wednesday, February 23 from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in room 211 of the Justice Center.**

Additional Meeting Schedule:

May 25, 2011

September 28,2011

December 7,2011

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 4:34