

Criminal Justice Collaborating Council 12/7/11 Minutes

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

Present: Co-chair Mary Lou Mueller, Co-chair Cindy Bock, Family Living Educator Carol Bralich, Tom Kopp, Paul Gantner, Vicki Seibel-Garvey, Gail Bruss, John Blasczyk, Dawn Ritter, Cpt. Dan Buntrock, Mike Lappen, Dawn Ritter

Committee Members Absent/Excused: John Kuczmariski, Superintendent Steve Shaw, Andrea Fendry, County Supervisor Nancy Szatkowski, D.A. Adam Gerol, Judge Sandy Williams, Perry Lieuallen, Judge Steve Cain, Joanne Manion, Lt. Jeff Sauer, Johnathon Woodward,

Others Present: Gordon Leech, attorney; Andy Shanholz, Freedom Life Skills

Call to Order/Proper Notice/Adoption of Agenda: Meeting was called to order by Co-chair Cindy Bock at 3:00 pm. The meeting was properly noticed, and a motion was made to adopt the agenda by Gail Bruss, second by John Blasczyk.

Public Correspondence/Communications:

Approval of June Minutes: Motion made by Tom Kopp, seconded by Paul Gantner to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Executive Committee Report & UWEX Family Living Report: Carol Bralich highlighted the Executive Minutes which were handouts at the meeting and emailed to the CJCC prior to the meeting. Carol also requested that members begin compiling the major points that each committee has worked on during 2011 for the Annual CJCC Executive Summary. Each committee chair present received a copy of the 2011 Annual Summary as an example of specific items that could be included in the summary.

Legislative Report: Andy Shanholz reported that Freedom Life Skills Director Gary LaFave, founder Dr. Hengstrom and others have a Wisconsin legislative visit scheduled for December 13th to discuss the jail pilot programs they are developing around the state for Freedom Life Skills.

Financial Report:

After review of the financial statement format by the Grant/Funding Committee and the Executive Committee, a more readable, synthesized format was created showing the balance of the CJCC budget to date. Carol explained the format to the group, including the OJA grant information.

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 shared the current CJCC brochure draft. The committee will tap into the OJA grant funds under the marketing of the Freedom Life Skills and CJCC programs to have the brochures professionally printed. The committee wishes to thank Diane Lane for all of her hard work on this project.

Prevention, Interventions, & Treatment: Minutes will be emailed to the council of the November PIT meeting.

Court Review: No report at this time.

Grant/Funding: The new financial statement was shared in the financial report.

Reentry/Freedom Life Skills: Tom Kopp, Re-entry Chair, and facilitator Andy Shanholz gave an updated report of the current Freedom Life Skills sessions. The most recent group to graduate was the second group of male inmates on December 2nd. The community and Huber male group will graduate on December 23rd. Council members are welcome to attend. Contact Andy or Glenn Zipperer if you would like to attend. As a follow up, all released September graduates from the first male inmate group have been contacted by Andy to check in and see how they are doing. Written testimonials in the participants' journals and words spoken at the graduation ceremony indicate a change in attitude and a positive thinking process to make changes in the future.

Action Items: A Transition Taskforce is being established to investigate pertinent re-entry issues related to an inmate's transition back into the community. The following CJCC members and community members are interested in being members of the task force: Vicki Seibel-Garvey, John Blasczyk, Gordon Leech, Paul Gantner, and Mike Lappen. The committee will start meeting in mid-January with a goal of completing its task in approximately 6 months. Carol Bralich will create a press release asking for those interested to be on the committee as well as a representative from the Sheriff's Department. John Blasczyk is asking several church groups if they have interest in being on the committee.

Carol Bralich led a brainstorming session with the meeting attendees, which resulted in a visual mind map of areas of interest for the Task Force to begin their work. A compiled list is available from Carol.

Meeting Schedule:

The Criminal Justice Collaborating Council will meet at the following date and time for the next meeting: *February 29, 2012 Room 211 Jury Assembly, Justice Center*

Additional Meeting Schedule: Refer to attached calendar of meetings, handed out at the September meeting.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm