

Minutes – CJC

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MEETING		
8.30.2016	1 PM	COUNTY BOARD ROOM
Meeting Called to order	Robert Eaton	
Attendees	Justin Gilbertson, Alison Spaude-Filipczak, Anne Whiting, Laura Compton Norm Couture, Matt Mackenzie, Kelly McKnight, Tony Jones, LeeAnn Raab, Erica Pydo, Terri Perry, Amy O'Donohue, Rachel Coughtry, Linda Bailey, Kent Tenney, Mark Perrine, Chris Beirl, Anna Craft, Kathy Beeksma, Christa Grande, Val Westlund, Pat Boerboon, Jeanna Metalica, Mick Brennan, Jon Litscher, Pat Hughes, Kristi Dietz, Mike Cashman, Terry Schemenauer	

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Minutes were approved

New Members:

Department of Corrections Secretary Jon Litscher and two of his staff, Pat Hughes and Kristi Dietz.

Old Business:

Sub-committee reports:

Jail Population Review:

59 inmates; 12 boarded in Bayfield County, 12 inmates on Electronic Monitoring. Ashland County is now averaging 100 bookings per month. There were 18 new arrests, 13 sentenced to jail, 5 warrant holds and 27 probation holds

TAD report:

11 participants, 5 absconder, 6 active

Probation/Parole

Probation is experiencing low staff and are in the process of hiring new agents.

Adult Drug court report:

16 active participants; three others are serving jail sentences; four more are approved to start ADC; five individuals are in the assessment phase.

Longrun report:

4 individuals completed 28.5 hours of community service

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Truancy:

A flow chart has been developed to follow and process truancy cases. In other news Kurt Greene is now the liaison officer at the school. His office is located at the middle school.

Children of Incarcerated Parents:

Focusing on a developing a Children's advocacy center. The nearest Wisconsin CAC is located in Wausau.

CCR (Coordinated Community Response)

There will be a Sexual Response Training at WITC on Sept. 13th and 14th. The training is put on by the Dept. of Justice.

Northlakes Hope Program

SASE (substance abuse service exposure) – they have 25 participants, 10 just recently released from jail, 9 follow up contacts. Kari had 70 mental health and AODA counseling appointments.

New Business:

Dept. of Corrections – The female inmate population is up significantly. They have a heroin epidemic in the southern part of the state. DOC is considering using Vivatrol to deal with the addiction issues. The number of in custody deaths (suicides) is high.

Human Services: Linda Bailey shared that the Vivatrol OWI grant is working well for youth and adults. The grant is providing for either pills or injections.

Kelly McKnight presented figures for projected cases for 2016. The projections are 316 felony cases, 248 misdemeanor cases, 74 criminal traffic for a total of 648 cases for the year. 2016 compared to 2015 (589). 2014 (594), 2013 (561), 2012 (561), 2011 (488).

With the current caseload the recommended number of prosecutors for this many felony cases is 5. The District Attorney has requested 4 prosecutor's based on the study regarding effective prosecution and number of felony cases per prosecutor.

The public defender's office is also short staffed. One problem is that local attorneys are not taking criminal cases. This is partly because the pay for working on public defender cases is low. The attorneys who are taking cases are from outside the area. When they are trying to assign and move cases along it is delayed because of lack of help.

A change in pro bono work allows attorney's to receive one hour of CLE credit for every hour worked on a case. The cites are 31.01 (11) (12) and 31.05 (7).

Our next meeting will be October 25th, 1PM, in the county board room, second floor of the courthouse.

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