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CRIMINAL JUSTICE MEETING	
1 PM	COUNTY BOARD ROOM
Meeting Called to order	Chairman - JUDGE EATON
Attendees	Judge Eaton, Mark Perrine, Mick Brennan, Joanne Kulik, Tony Jones, Kent Tenney, Matt MacKenzie, Norm Couture, Mike Malmberg, Karen Baker, Dan Miller, Anne Whiting, Rich Larson, Andrew MacGregor, Katie Colgrove, Kolene Arvidson, Joanna Kulik, Kelly McKnight, Scott Hultman, Greg BeBeau, Jerry Jorgenson, Jody Bigboy Lowmaster, David Shingel, Kathy Tuttle, Judy Putnam, Dana Wszalek, Excused: Beverly Sidlo-Tolliver, Kathy Beeksma, Terry Schemenauer, Kevin McAuliffe, JoDeanna Janiceck, Keith Hilts, Jeff Evans, Mike Andersen, Scott Holmen

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Last month's minutes were reviewed.

New members introduced:

Kathy Tuttle from MMC and David Skindel doing an internship

Old Business:

Jail Population Review:

The average jail population for September was 61.

TAD Report:

There are 5 participants on deferred entry of judgments; 2 on for bail monitoring. One individual completed the program and saved 186 jail bed days.

Adult Drug Court Report:

Anne discussed the upcoming retreat in November for the drug court team. One new participant added. 12 active participants

LongRun Community Service Project

Program is located in the old Larson-Juhl building. The program is now accepting computers for recycling or repair on a limited basis. Please spread the word because we plan on going public in the very near future. We are wiping hard drives or destroying by request. We have two employees; one is employed by a DOJ grant and the other through North West CEP program.

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Sub-committee reports:

County Ordinance Committee:

The subcommittee is meeting after the CJC meeting today.

Children of Incarcerated Parents:

Amy O'Donahue brief statement about possibly having a couple of possible new members for the committee. Kathy Beeksmas was unavailable and data not presented.

Grant Updates:

Grant submitted to Otto Bremer to continue the BIRT (Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment) program. In four years approximately 250 kids have gone through the program. There are 27 teens currently involved in the program. This program is partnered with the school, Human services, and the court to provide early interventions for alcohol or drug issues.

TAD grant is due Oct. 18th. This grant is non-competitive and is only available to the counties who currently are receiving TAD grant dollars.

Synthetic Drugs:

Synthetic workshop at WITC was a huge success. Approximately 150 people attended the conference.

New Business

Discussion about warrant fees. Ashland's fee is currently \$15.00. Katie researched other counties similar to Ashland and the fees they charge range from \$25 - \$30. One county charged \$50. There was a recommendation that Jeff Bierl request an amendment to have the fee go to \$30 for the Clerk's office and for the Sheriff's Department. Matt Mackenzie recommended that we put this on next month's agenda with a recommendation for raising the fee. Mark Perrine asked why would we raise the fee when it is generally people who can't afford the fee who are getting served. Judge thought a revision to the fee was not too steep and that there could be a payment plan worked out.

Motion was made by Matt M. and seconded by Mick B. to ask the County Board to set the fee at \$30.

In Jail Programming: Terry reported that he and Tony had a discussion with Shirley Moran about the possibility of providing "Breaking Barriers" programming in the jail. Shirley was hoping to get approval to do this programming from her administrator's sometime in October. The Children of Incarcerated Parents subcommittee is going to use its data to determine where to go next. Programming in jail, school, and combination of both?

Round Robin:

Looking back at past year successes, and ideas for change include the following:

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Success: collaboration with agencies, awareness of criminal justice system and problems within the system, coordination of services, council perspective , TAD, Synthetic Drug ordinance, , E Waste recycling project, Criminal Justice Program, Community approach to dealing with tough issues, information sharing.

Ideas for change: jail programming focus, Truancy, School involvement, Funding, prescription drug program, more Domestic Violence awareness, Tribal Programs, teen dating and violence, file/folder location for public to get more information about this Council (on Ashland Counties website go to Department's, then Criminal Justice, and all minutes and information from meetings, etc. is located there), BIRT to continue, programming in schools for kids of incarcerated children, web site design for CJC, wrap around services for all involved in CJC, focus on what we can change, Jail architecture not set up for programming, neighborhood watch, more educational components.

Next meeting: October 30, 1PM, County Board Room