

Minutes – CJC

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MEETING		
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Meeting Called to order	Judge Robert Eaton	
Attendees	Robert Eaton, Tony Jones, Kathy Beeksma, Kent Tenney, Norm Couture, Kelly McKnight, Melissa Kramolis, Mark Perrine, Terry Barningham, Jerry Jorgenson, Sarah Uitto, Anne Whiting, Judy Putnam, Norm Courture, Joanna Kulick, Greg BeBeau, Nathan Melton, Amy O'Donahue, Chris Grande, Beverly Tolliver, Karen Baker, Rich Larson, Midge Montano, Mike Malmberg, Rachael Coughtry, Mick Brennan, James Weidenbach, Katie Colgrove, Madeline Herder, Randy Young,	

Minutes:

There were no minutes from last month. The last CJC meeting was a joint meeting with Bayfield County at the Visitor's center in November.

New Members: Randy Young from Northlakes, AODA counselor. Randy Spangle has retired and Randy Young will be replacing him on the CJC.

Old Business:

Sub-committee reports:

Jail Population Review: Today's population was 54. The capacity of the jail is 68 beds. There are 7 people on EMP.

TAD report: the TAD grant was renewed for the upcoming year. This is a joint grant with Bayfield County.

Adult Drug court report: There are 12 participants in drug court. Dr. No has been attending staffing's on Tuesday morning. The BIRT program has 25 participants. There has been a request for a grant extension for the drug court program.

Longrun report: 350 hours of community service hours were performed; last year we donated 25 computers to nonprofit agencies. Current project is an on-line television program for the high school. Our goal is to give teen's opportunities to experience reporting, producing, directing, sound and lighting experiences and hopefully get them excited about potential careers.

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We are providing computer services and repair work for the public at \$45 per hour.

Children of Incarcerated Parents: the sub-committee is working on a safe place and supervisors for parents of children who have restraining orders, court orders, or other problems with seeing their children.

In Minnesota, Medicaid is used to pay for this service. Northlake's is checking to see if this can be done in Wisconsin.

New Business:

Hotline for reporting crime was discussed. Greg Bebeau stated there used to be a hotline but it was never used, therefore, it was discontinued.

Wisconsin Department of Justice does have a hotline.

Mark Perrine reported on the Evidence Based Summit that a number of the CJC members attended. The focus is on using best evidence practices for sentencing. It includes such sentences as drug court, TAD, deferred entry of judgment's, etc.

The initial entry into the criminal system includes a risk and needs assessment.

This will then determine potential referrals and bail status.

Ashland is using this system to a certain extent right now; we are doing assessments for TAD and the drug court programs.

JC Moon is selling kratom; kratom is being sold in a pill and powder form. It is not labeled with any precautionary warnings. Kratom is from a tropical tree indigenous to Thailand. It is from the same family as the coffee tree. Thailand outlawed Kratom in 1943. They placed kratom in the same drug category as marijuana. Kratom consumption can lead to addiction. This drug does not fall within the city ordinance limits.

Heroin use is in the area and a huge problem in Douglas, Sawyer and Iron counties. It won't be long before it is a problem here.

Kelly McKnight is putting together training for law enforcement and service providers on recognition of heroin, dangers of use, etc.

Round Robin:

Judy Putnam: In 2012 child protective services had 11 cases; in 2013 there were 19 cases. In every case where there was a petition for protection of the child drugs and alcohol was involved.

Norm Couture: Norm had a question about bullying incidents, who should be notified if it occurs? The school has an anti-bullying program. There is a full time liaison officer at the high school and the middle school has set up a satellite office for the law enforcement officers. The office allows for a visible presence.

Anne Whiting: Question, does anyone know about the text-text hotline dealing with different issues such as bullying, runaway prevention, teen suicide prevention? Terry Barningham will provide information at our next meeting.

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Midge Montano: The shelter has one person in it. One of the problems that are occurring is victims asking that restraining orders is vacated.

Next meeting: March 25th, 1PM, County Board room, 2nd floor of the courthouse.