

Waukesha County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council Alternative Interventions Committee Minutes Monday, August 19, 2019

Members Present		
Hon. Maria Lazar	Joan Sternweis	Sam Benedict
Sue Opper	Shelby Maruszczak	Mary Wittwer
Hon. Laura Lau	Marla Bell	
Members Absent		
Duane Paulson	Tina Freiburger	
Others Present		
Jeremy Perri	Janelle McClain	Amber Rumpf
Denise Rawski	Bob Gibson	

Benedict called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

Approve Minutes from July 8, 2019 Meeting

Motion: Lazar moved, second by Bell, to approve the Alternative Interventions Committee meeting minutes of July 8, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Opper arrived at 12:03 p.m.

Discuss and Consider Committee Membership Change

Motion: Lazar moved, second by Sternweis, to replace Committee Chair Sam Benedict with Jeremy Perri, SPD Regional Attorney Manager, as of September 1, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Lazar commended Benedict for the work that he has done with the committee.

Review Progress of Diversion Grant Implementation

Review Screening and Enrollment Data

Maruszczak distributed and reviewed a document titled "Pre-Charge Diversion and Post-Charge Deferred Prosecution Agreement (DPA) Statistics."

"No Contact with DRC" means that the potential participant is either not responding to the letter sent, or the Day Report Center (DRC) has been in contact with them but they have not shown up for any appointments.

Those "Waiting to Enter Contract" have court dates prior to the end of September. If judges' calendars are booked, Lazar stated that hearings could be scheduled with other judges.

Maruszczak stated that the letters and DRC text messages seem to be helping enrollment numbers.

Review Diversion/DPA Monitoring Outcomes

Rawski distributed and reviewed documents titled "2019 Act 33 DPA Status Report" and a document detailing demographics.

The judges are not always consistent in how they handle the cases and how quickly they schedule hearings.

Update on Project Evaluation

This topic has been tabled until a future meeting, as Freiburger was unable to attend the meeting.

Update on Treatment Courts' Transition to 5-Phase Model

Lazar reported that the Drug Treatment Court officially implemented the 5-phase model for new participants entering the program on or after August 1. If someone was only 2-3 weeks into the program, he/she may have been switched to the new model, but overall, if someone were already in the program, he/she would remain in the 4-phase model. Since there is no waiting list currently, many people are starting the program prior to detoxing, which Lazar commented is okay since the first phase is stabilization.

Lau stated that the OWI Treatment Court is not ready to transition to the new model yet. There may not be any openings in the program until at least November, when the next participant is scheduled to graduate.

Other Items for Discussion

There were no other items for discussion.

Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting and In the Future

- Review the work plan and determine progress
- Revisit program funding for DTC
- Replace Lazar with Schimel as a committee member when Lazar transitions out of DTC
- Grant evaluation progress

Adjourn

Motion: Bell moved, second by Maruszczak, to adjourn the meeting at 12:37 p.m.