

# Waukesha County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council Executive Committee Minutes February 13, 2017

**Committee Members Present:** Judge Jennifer Dorow (chair), Eric Severson, Paul Farrow, Sam Benedict, Sue Opper, Paul Decker, Antwayne Robertson

Also Present: Rebecca Luczaj, Janelle McClain, Steve Trimborn

Judge Dorow called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

#### Approve Minutes from November 7, 2016 Meeting

Motion: Farrow moved, second by Robertson, to approve the minutes from November 7, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discuss and Consider Applying for Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)** *"FY 2017 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program: System-Level Diversion and Alternatives to Incarceration Projects"* Grant Luczaj distributed and reviewed a document titled "Diversion/Alternatives to Incarceration Grant Application Overview, February 2017."

Benedict arrived at 8:38 a.m.

Luczaj stated that there is up to \$400,000 available for the grant, with no match required. The grant is up to 3 years in length, starting October 1, 2017, and must include a 6-month planning phase. If we want to sustain the program after federal funding expires, we could use Eau Claire County as an example and charge program fees to fund the Diversion Coordinator position.

Benedict commented that the value of the grant is in incentivizing early access to treatment and the diversion process early on in the system. The Alternative Interventions Workgroup is supportive of the grant opportunity as it is in-line with change target goals.

Decker expressed the need to include job training with diversion programs. Dorow said that could be looked into with Workforce Development or WCS.

Opper stated that she fully supports the application, as there is definitely a need for this in Waukesha County.

Motion: Farrow moved, second by Decker, to apply for the FY 2017 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Luczaj will work on the grant application in cooperation with Opper, and then present the plan at the next Alternative Interventions Workgroup meeting.

### Update on 2/20 Site Visit by Mimi Carter to Observe Pretrial Programs

Luczaj reported that NIC Consultant, Mimi Carter, will be in Waukesha County on February 20 to observe and gain better understanding of the pretrial services programs. Her feedback will coincide with the Pretrial Pilot Protocol that the WI Department of Justice is putting together so we can gauge where Waukesha stands relative to the requirements specified in the Protocol.

Luczaj will accompany Carter through the entire site visit. The schedule is as follows:

6:15 – 8:15am Observe Pretrial Screening in the jail with WCS staff
8:15am Observe Intake Court for out-of-custody defendants
Break
1:00 – 3:00pm Observe Pretrial Supervision at the WCS offices

Dorow suggested attending lock-ups at 1:15pm as well. Luczaj will adjust the schedule accordingly.

Carter will be back to attend all EBDM meetings in April.

## Update on 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Drug Court

The 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will be held after Drug Treatment Court on March 22. The program will be at 3:30 p.m. and will include two graduations. Judge Carter has secured the ceremonial courtroom. So far, speakers will include Brad Schimel, Judge Dorow, Judge Domina, Judge Carter, Sue Opper and possibly some former graduates.

Severson will arrange for the Honor Guard to present the colors.

Luczaj will work with Nicole Armendariz in the County Executive's Office regarding press for the event.

#### Adjourn

Motion: Decker moved, second by Benedict, to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.