

Waukesha County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council Pretrial Committee Minutes Wednesday, November 10, 2021

Members Present

Sue Opper JoAnn Eiring Neil Dussault

Monica Paz Jeremy Perri

Members Absent

Kevin Costello Craig Kuhary Hon. Jennifer Dorow (Chair)

Others Present

Rebecca Luczaj Janelle McClain Christine Olsen
Mary Sweeney David Herring (proxy for Costello) Daniel Rieck

Opper called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m.

Approve Minutes from October 13, 2021 Meeting

Motion: Dussault moved, second by Paz, to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2021 meeting of the CJCC Pretrial Committee. Motion passed without a negative vote.

Update on Status of Pretrial Supervision and Intoxicated Driver Intervention Program (IDIP) Caseloads

Eiring stated that the Pretrial Supervision program has a caseload of 138 participants and a capacity of 130 participants.

The IDIP has a caseload of 147 participants and a capacity of 160 participants.

Eiring is generating a list of clients who have been on supervision for at least six months and have been compliant who can be considered for removal from the program.

Update on Pretrial Drug Testing Data Collection Project

Eiring stated that 66 participants have been ordered to WCS since September, with an additional 6 participants who are still in custody. Of the 66 participants, 33 participants are ordered to drug test and 33 are not. Of the 33 participants who are testing, 4 have tested positive – 2 participants had valid prescriptions, 1 tested positive for THC, and 1 tested positive for Cocaine.

Of the 32 required tests scheduled since September, there were 16 missed appointments.

Being able to track court responses to drug testing violations is more difficult and time consuming for WCS staff.

Review Suggested Changes to Standard Bond Language and Court Text Codes Regarding Drug Testing, Absolute Sobriety, CAM Monitoring, Etc.

Herring, Costello, and Dorow have not met yet to discuss the bond language.

Luczaj stated that any type of programmatic changes that would, for example, affect how OWI offenders are placed on CAM for a specified period according to risk level, will have to wait until the new Court Services contract is executed as of January 1, 2023.

Opper left at 12:35 p.m.

Herring will specify when he orders CAM and drug testing, but he is concerned that participants would tell the WCS Case Worker that they are not going to cooperate because the frequency and duration was not specifically ordered by the court. He will meet with Dorow to discuss this further.

This agenda item will continue to be discussed at the next meeting.

Continue to Discuss Plan to Merge Intoxicated Driver Intervention Program (IDIP) and Pretrial Supervision as of January 1, 2022

This agenda item will be tabled until a future meeting.

Announcements

Luczaj announced that there will be a graduate student from Marquette University who will be interning with the CJCC from January through May, for 10-12 hours per week. She will be focusing on pretrial detention and collecting data, such as:

- Average length defendants are in custody pretrial?
- How many defendants are given cash bail vs. signature bonds?
- How much is the cash bail for defendants who are unable to post?
- What are the PSA results for defendants who post bail vs. cannot post bail?
- What are the demographics of the defendants who post bail vs. cannot post bail?

The student will report out to this committee monthly and the full CJCC with the final project report at their meeting in May.

Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

There were no additional agenda items discussed for the next meeting.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjourn

Motion: Herring moved, second by Dussault, to adjourn the meeting at 12:55 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.