

**WAUKESHA COUNTY
AODA ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016
MINUTES**

Present Committee: Jim Aker, Susie Austin, Rose Barton, Marla Bell, Lou Hernandez, John Kettler, Lauri McHugh-Badura, Pat Miller, Joe Muchka, Mike O'Brien, Dennis Radloff, Joan Sternweis, Dennis Williams

Excused Absence: Debra Adamus, Betty Groenewold, William Hinsenkamp, Sarah Justin, David Lamack, Kelly Morgan, Sarah Riggsbee, Kevin Schaefer, Lee Wipfli, Dani Wosick

Guest: Peter Brunzelle, Rachael Cooper, Cori Fendt, Angela Garvens, Mary Goggins, Kristy Gusse, Lindsay Just, Rebecca Luczaj, Ali Schroeder, Mary Simon, Ralph Zick

INTERESTED PARTIES

Chair Barton called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m. Introductions were exchanged among the committee members and guests present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

McHugh-Badura stated that her name was duplicated under "Present" and misspelled under "Adjournment." O'Brien stated that his name was misspelled under "Approval of Minutes."

Motion: Williams moved, Hernandez second, to approve the minutes of July 19, 2016, with the noted corrections. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION ON SERVICES OFFERED AT THE HOPE CENTER

Zick showed a video highlighting the Hope Center. He also had English and Spanish brochures available for anyone interested.

The Hope Center was started in 1987. The key to their organization is to help people survive and try to prevent homelessness. The Hope Center operates 6 programs, all free of charge. They are also a training center for those from Easter Seals and other organizations dealing with the handicapped, providing them with job opportunities. There are over 1300 volunteers, contributing 36,000 hours. The Hope Center does not receive government-funded monies, only charities. They serve over 7000 unduplicated individuals, tracked scanning a service card that the individual receives when they begin services. They are very conscientious of individuals' privacy.

The Clothing Shop is the largest program they offer, serving 6000 homeless individuals that are a Waukesha resident. 50% of the individuals are children, and 40% are Hispanic.

The Day Center offers hearty breakfasts and lunches Monday through Friday and on weekends from November through April. Approximately 88% of the meals are now

provided by outside sources such as congregations, families, etc., relieving The Hope Center of the additional costs. On average, breakfast is provided for 30-50 people, lunch for 50-70, and dinner for 50-100. To date this year, 886 unduplicated individuals have been served. In 2015, nearly 1100 individuals were served. The day center also provides casual entertainment, job search assistance, and medical/social assistance.

The Outreach Meal program is about 30 years old. Meals are served at the Hope Center on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The Hope Center partners with many organizations to provide the service. Nearly 9000 individuals were served in 2015.

The Project Move program was restarted about 5 years ago. They take in “non-luxury” furniture and appliances. Those that were incarcerated, from a battered women’s shelter, or those that have received all eligible help from the Red Cross, are able to come and get whatever they need. Over 1800 individuals utilized this program in 2015.

The Hope Center works with organizations such as St. Vincent de Paul to bring financial assistance to individuals. They no longer offer rent assistance, but do help with other expenses.

The Green Power Garden allows The Hope Center to grow their own crops for meal programs. A 5-acre lot was loaned for their use, and they till 2 of the acres.

The Hope Center is sponsoring a 5K run on October 8th.

PRESENTATION ON WCS TREATMENT COURTS OUTCOMES AND FUNDING

Luczaj distributed brochures and gave a brief history of the Alcohol and Drug Treatment Courts. The county has financially-sustained the Alcohol Treatment Court (ATC) for 3rd offenders since 2009, and for 4th offenders since October 1, 2014. The 5-year TAD grant was awarded for the Drug Treatment Court (DTC), and will start January, 2017.

In 2014, DTC received a grant allowing double capacity from 25 individuals served to 50, although there was still a wait list. The grant ended June, 2015, with the county financially-sustaining the program until another grant was received in October, 2015, that will last until early 2018.

ATC participants are post-conviction, so they plead guilty, and then participate in the program in lieu of the usual length of jail time. DTC participants are pre-conviction, so if they complete the DTC program successfully, their charges may be dropped or lessened before they get to plea/sentencing.

Gusse distributed and reviewed statistics for ATC and DTC, both for August, 2016, and all of 2015.

ATC, with an average participation time of 400 days, has a wait list for the first time since 2006. The program has saved about 46,000 jail-bed days. 506 individuals have been served by ATC since 2006, with 367 graduating.

DTC closed the referral process for a time due to the length of the wait list, but reopened it in August, 2016. Within a week, 15 referrals were received at the District Attorney's office. Waukesha County has a 54% DTC graduation rate, with the national average being approximately 50%. There is also more medication assistance, including Vivitrol injections. 161 individuals have been served by DTC.

ATC charges participants utilizing a sliding fee scale, ranging from \$25-\$200/month, with many assessed at the highest amount. DTC does not charge a fee due to most participants not being employed, expecting more relapses, and having the average length of participation be 18 months.

In early 2016, consultants from American University observed ATC and DTC, interviewed staffing teams, and put together a summary of recommendations. Waukesha County invited them to return in May to review their recommendations. One of the biggest changes as a result of this was cutting the DTC graduation requirement of a minimum of a 6-month sobriety period, down to 90 days. This resulted in many graduations from the program.

PRESENTATION ON CHANGES TO INTOXICATED DRIVER INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Luczaj informed the committee that the pretrial program's funding from DHS ended on June 30, 2016. A workgroup was started with county and WCS employees to determine how to continue with the program. A new risk tool was implemented mid-June, 2016, to identify the risk level of the defendants coming into the program. The risk tool evaluates the likelihood of failing to appear for court and the likelihood of reoffending during the pretrial stage. A majority of participants are 2nd OWI offenders, most of which are low risk. If a participant is low risk, they will receive minimal supervision ("low touch").

Moderate to high risk level participants are put on either SCRAM or a remote breath device. Moderate participants will utilize the device for 50-60 days. If there are no issues, the participant will no longer need to test, and is required to report once a week. Drunk drivers will utilize the device for 60 days, with a reduction in testing if they have passed. High risk participants will utilize the device for 90 days. If the participant is still having issues passing in the 90 days, further direction from the court is requested. Low risk drugged drivers are not on alcohol monitoring devices.

Barton distributed a handout explaining the program changes in more detail.

Every participant subject to drug testing now calls a drug testing line that provides randomization, 6-7 days a week, for 30 days. There is a charge of \$15 per test. Low risk participants pay for each test since there are no fees involved. If the participant is non-compliant, the tests are extended an additional 30 days. If the non-compliance continues, further direction from the court is requested.

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Motion: McHugh-Badura moved, second by Williams, to elect Jim Aker as Committee Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Radloff moved, second by Austin, to elect Joe Muchka as Committee Vice-Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS BOARD LIAISON REPORT

O'Brien suggested developing a program in Waukesha County like the Greenfield Police Department has. McHugh-Badura commented that Delafield has started the program, and Summit is trying to start. Barton added that the difference is that Delafield will take the drugs and paraphernalia and give a list of providers to help, however there is no funding or no case management by the officers. Muchka stated that the discussion has been started with the Police Chief's Association, and there was a request that there be a county-wide effort versus each municipality moving forward on their own.

HHS STAFF LIAISON REPORT

Sternweis commented that she is happy to see so many attending this meeting! The parking lot in the back of the Mental Health Center also has available parking, and the back door to the canteen remains open at this time.

Starting in October, the Mental Health Center will be asking visitors to sign in with the receptionist.

Kettler reported that the Outpatient Clinic has launched the Adolescent and Co-occurring IOP programs, and they are going very well.

The budget process continues to move forward. Currently, we are waiting to hear on the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA).

This Thursday, September 22nd, from 12-1pm, in room 114 at HHS, AODA volunteers are hosting a lunch and learn presentation discussing their services, mission, and recovery in general.

Just added that this Friday, September 23rd, there will be a fundraiser at Veloce Speedway. There will be recovery speakers, the former Miss Wisconsin speaking, resource booths, open mic, and free food.

AGENCY/MEMBER UPDATES

No updates.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Radloff, second by O'Brien. Meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Janelle McClain, Recorder

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Approved on October 18, 2016.