

Minutes of the Manitowoc County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
February 3, 2016 4:30 p.m.
Manitowoc Communications and Technology Building, Rm 111/112

Attendance: Council members Present: Chief Joe Collins, Attorney Phil Hoff, District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre (Chair), Attorney Ann Larson, Chief JoAnn Mignon, Kevin Mueller, Judge Mark Rohrer (Vice-Chair), and County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer.

Excused/Absent: Sheriff Robert Hermann, Jeff Jenswold, County Board Supervisor Randy Vogel, and Clerk of Court Lynn Zigmunt

Others: Amy Wergin, Patricia Koppa, Darlene Wellner, and others who did not sign attendance sheet.

Chair Jacalyn LaBre called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m. Attendance sheet circulated. Chair LaBre asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the January 6, 2016 meeting. Secretary Patricia Koppa noted that there were several errors regarding attendance; both Attorney Ann Larson and Jeff Jenswold were present. Additionally, the date of the approved minutes was omitted; The correct date was November 4, 2015. Judge Mark Rohrer moved to approve the minutes as amended and Chief Joe Collins seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Update on Membership. Attorney Phil Hoff has been reappointed by the Manitowoc County Bar Association as the private bar representative. Chair LaBre reported that only one individual has come forward, Cindy Oswald. While Ms. Oswald has not been a participant in the Justice system as a defendant, she is familiar with issues due to the involvement of a family member in the system. Motion made by Chief JoAnn Mignon to appoint Ms. Oswald to the Council subject to completion of a background check. Second to Motion provided by Attorney Larson. Unanimously passed. Chief Collins will complete the background check.

Report of Treatment Court workgroup. Amy Wergin, Public Health Director, reported regarding the Treatment Court group. Parameters have been discussed for who would be eligible for the court. Have been refining what the course for treatment would be and how compliance would be tested.

Ms. Wergin has contacted Sheboygan County. They are ahead on the creation of their court and do not feel a partner would be appropriate. They have a coordinator for their court program. The Sheboygan County Human Services Department is administering the treatment portion of the Court. The coordinator of the Intoxicated Driver Program is also coordinating the Drug Court. Hope is that there is a county interested in sharing the cost of a coordinator but not the cases... each county would retain jurisdiction of own cases. Cost of a Coordinator is in the \$50,000 range. Anticipate local funding to begin the program, donations likely place to begin.

Discussion followed. Will contact Beth Robinson, the coordinator in Outagamie, who resides in Manitowoc. She may be able to provide insight into proceeding. Health department is working on ways to expand treatment network. Darlene Wellner noted that the Community Trust organization is very interested and may be one source of donations.

The workgroup will next meet on February 16, 2016. The third Tuesday has been selected as the regular meeting night.

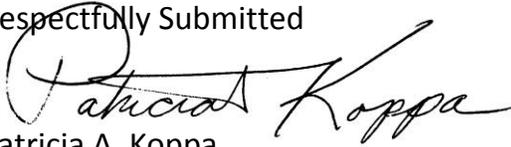
Report of Bail / Pretrial workgroup. Attorney Larson reported on the bail groups efforts. After the Scram/WCS presentation met with Nick Sayner of Justice Point. Nick provided a great deal of information. Justice Point is not as much as a competitor as the source of a broad range of pretrial services. This would not be fully paid for by the participants, unless the monitoring and testing portions were assessed fees. Again, money for a coordination is the issue.

Discussion: The same person would be able to manage a drug court and pre-trial services. Interest in having Nick Sayner speak to the whole group, perhaps with Beth Robinson. Decided to attempt this for the April 6, 2016 meeting. For this presentation should start at 4:00 to provide enough time to cover the information.

Chair LaBre announced the next meeting dates: Executive Committee February 15, 2016 at noon. The next Council meeting will be April 6, 2016 at 4:00. Arrangements should be made to have the room earlier.

Chief Mignon made the motion to adjourn. Attorney Larson seconded. Motion approved unanimously and meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted


Patricia A. Koppa
Council Secretary