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CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL (CJCC)

Meeting: September 26, 2024, 3:30 p.m., County Board Room 326A, West Square Building, Baraboo, WI

Chair, Michael Albrecht called the meeting to order and certified compliance with the Open Meeting Law at 3:33 p.m.

PRESENT: Brent Miller, Jennifer Weitzel, Jessica Mijal, Mark Gumz, Michael Albrecht, Judge Michael Screnock, Nicole Dobbs, Patricia Rego, Patrick Cummings, Timothy McCumber; EXCUSED: Jaime Sathasivam, Jay England, Leonie Dolch, Nicole Schlough, Richard Meister; ABSENT: Scott Alexander

Others Present: Amanda Hanson, Lori Dee, Rick Spoentgen, Blake Duren

Motion by Patricia Rego, seconded by Patrick Cummings, to adopt agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Brent Miller, seconded by Jessica Mijal, to approve the minutes for the previous Criminal Justice Coordinating Council meeting held on July 18, 2024. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

Judge Blake Duren introduced himself.

**Discussion and Approval of Bylaws Changes:** Michael Albrecht discussed the Bylaws changes. Due to the reorganization of County committees and the County Board representatives being reduced from 3 to 2, the number of voting stakeholders was amended to 17 and quorum to 9. Motion by Timothy McCumber, seconded by Patricia Rego, to approve Bylaws changes. Motion carried.

**Discussion and Approval of Support Letter for Increased Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD)**

**Funding and obtaining signatures from present members:** Michael Albrecht indicated the support letter last year was from the chair; this year the support letter is from all committee members. Amanda Hanson indicated the support letter is for treatment court and diversion program funding. Motion by Brent Miller, seconded by Patrick Cummings, to approve the support letter for increased Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD) funding. Motion carried.

**Discussion of Multi-Site Deflection Research Project and decision to commit to advisory committee:** Amanda Hanson was contacted by Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC). They want to help with community engagement. Applying for the grant does not commit us to participating. We will know in June 2025. Amanda indicated the commitment would be 1-2 meetings per month starting in September 2025. No travel, no financial commitment. Committee members can attend virtual meetings. Jessica Mijal stated this is a multi-state project and offered to write the support letter. We can withdraw if there is not enough interest. The PTAC group will come here to meet and gather information. The consensus was to go ahead and apply.

**Justice, Diversion, and Support Report:** Amanda Hanson reported the Educational Navigator program has received funding to continue for another year. In the third quarter there are:

- 10 active participants
- 5 enrollments

Amanda reviewed the Recovery Support Network program for third quarter:

- 23 referrals
- 20 active participants
- 10 admissions
- 8 graduations
- 6 terminations

Amanda showed a YouTube video produced by Mirrorless Productions describing the Recovery Support Network program, community support, and program participant testimonials. Program information will be going up on billboards in Sauk County.

Amanda reviewed the Diversion Supervision Agreement program for third quarter:

- 4 referrals
- 16 active participants
- 1 admission
- 1 graduation
- 1 termination

Amanda indicated the approved 2025 funding allocation is for \$258,889 in State funds along with our \$86,296 matching funds.

Amanda reviewed the Adult Treatment Court program for third quarter:

- 24 referrals
- 15 active participants
- 0 admissions
- 2 graduates
- 1 termination

Amanda indicated there are three people scheduled for graduation on 12/13/2024.

Jennifer Weitzel asked about participant graduation statements, personal experiences they may share. Brent Miller asked about holding graduation at the same time as CJCC quarterly meetings. Discussed the possibility of holding the CJCC quarterly meetings at 11:00 on the graduation dates. Will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items:**

The next meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council will be December 19, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. in County Board Room 326A. Send agenda items to Michael Albrecht.

Motion by Brent Miller, seconded by Timothy McCumber, to adjourn at 4:03 p.m. Motion carried.

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