

CRIMINAL JUSTICE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

May 11, 2011

Law Enforcement Center Room 1615

11:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Dennis Montabon, Steve Helgeson, Bill Hammes, Tim Gruenke, Tom Locante, Jane Klekamp, Steve O'Malley
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	Ramona Gonzalez, Steve Doyle
OTHERS PRESENT:	Elliott Levine

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 13, 2011 MINUTES OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MOTION by Hammes/Helgeson to approve the April 13, 2011 minutes of the Criminal Justice Management Executive Committee **carried unanimously**. (Gonzalez & Doyle excused)

CJMC MAY MEETING

Jane will be out of town for the next CJMC meeting, and Jason Witt (who was going to be discussing Juvenile Justice at the CJMC meeting) will also be out of town, therefore, it was decided to cancel the May 18, 2011 CJMC meeting.

OPHELIA'S HOUSE

Probation & Parole has been utilizing Ophelia's House – the women's community based program. Jane is suggesting the probation agent check with CHJS before recommending this to the courts. If P&P is considering Ophelia's House as an ATR – either formal or informal, that there be a referral. It should be for a significant length of time – 6-9 months. Also, the client should be made aware of what circumstances they would be incarcerated and for how long. It could be made part of a case plan. We are trying to use the resource in the best way possible and to sort out who are the higher risk/higher needs people who we should spend more time on vs. people who just want to get out of jail. A discussion will be held with the agents.

DRUG TESTING EQUIPMENT

Jane reported that they are changing their drug testing vendor. It's the same process that they will use but it will be less expensive. They will be sending out reminders that there is cross-reactivity and that some drugs test positive for example if they are taking a medication, etc.

OWDS TRAINING

The Offender Workforce Development Specialist Training was held last week. The training is a total of 160 hours. There were several hours of homework that staff needed to complete prior to the class room training. Also, they will have more homework and classroom training in August. This is one way where we will be able to better help people become employed. Other community agencies were involved, including Workforce Connections, plus four JS staff. They are coming up with a plan for local jurisdictions. Once this is complete, we can discuss this further at the CJ Exec meetings.

RESOURCE CENTER

At the Offender Workforce Development Specialist Training, they discussed having a Resource Center for people coming out of jail where they could look things up along with getting referred to specific organizations. We've been discussing a Resource Center in three different places: 1. OWDS, 2. Sheila Garrity has had contact from NAMI people and they would like to have a Parent Resource Center in the jail lobby area; and 3. TJC Initiative has also been discussing this. Jane thinks there may be some community funding to assist with this project.

TJC INITIATIVE

The TJC group will be here June 28 & 29 for their last visit. They will probably want to meet with the CJMC. One goal that they have for us is to have a Resource Directory for when people leave the jail and they would like information, and we would have handouts for them. They are also encouraging us to interview everyone who has a proxy score of 5 or higher in the jail and pass that information along to the judges. They are trying to help us figure out how to inform the courts of information in a helpful way. Judge Levine will discuss this with the Clerk of Courts.

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS – SMARTER SENTENCING TRAINING

La Crosse was not accepted for the Smarter Sentencing training.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 a.m.

Next Meeting Date: June 8th at 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 in the LEC Room 1615.

The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next Council meeting.

Recorded by Jane Klekamp