

Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Criminal Justice Council

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Thursday, December 9, 2021

12:15 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by phone.

A. Call To Order

Staff: Colleen Clark-Bernhardt, Lindsay Menard, Isabel Anadon, Sarah Jensen

Meeting called to order by Chair Eicher at 12:17pm.

Judge Hyland attending on behalf of Judge Bailey-Rihn.

Advisory Members Present: Maureen McCarville, Chloe Moore (attending on behalf of Troy Enger), John Patterson

Advisory Members Excused: Aaron Chapin, Catherine Dorl, Todd Meurer, Satya Rhodes-Conway

Moore left at 1:02 pm Patterson left at 1:25 pm Barrett left at 1:41pm Parisi left at 1:45 pm Hyland left at 1:48 pm

Present 5 - KALVIN BARRETT, Supervisor ANALIESE EICHER, CARLO ESQUEDA, ISMAEL OZANNE, and JOE PARISI

B. Consideration of Minutes

2021 MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2021 CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL

MIN-482 MEETING

Attachments: 2021 MIN-482

10.28.21 CJC Registration Forms
REGISTRATION BEFORE CJC

A motion was made by ESQUEDA, seconded by PARISI, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

None

D. Presentations

1. La Crosse County Huber Model

Presented by Judge Gonzalez, Tonya Van Tol, Manager of Justice Support Services, and Jane Klekamp, Associate County Administrator

Introductions of presenters. La Crosse developed ways to decrease the jail population after building a smaller jail. The jail population has remained low throughout and beyond COVID. The decreased jail population also enabled increased resources for people who are incarcerated.

Discussion ensues. In La Crosse County, everyone is either in jail under roof "full-time" or entirely out on electronic monitoring. If their safety risk is deemed low enough that they're safe to be on electronic monitoring during the day, then their risk level is also safe enough for them to sleep at home, particularly with current advanced technology. This initiative was supported and driven by the Judges in La Crosse County.

La Crosse County added additional resources to respond to issues in a non-punitive manner. For example, La Crosse had a lot of DUI defendants, so it added an OWI court to target these issues (in addition to other treatment courts). This change in perspective and increase in services can aid desistance over the long-term, rather than perpetuating the cycle of incarceration.

Responding to mental health issues remains challenging, but through this partnership, jail staff see that there are alternative resources and will contact appropriate services for assessments. This coordination avoids unnecessary resources by targeting applicable services. In addressing one issue, La Crosse has learned of other underlying issues and has approached these additional problems with enhanced collaboration and coordination.

There are challenges with limiting jail population with DOC P&P holds. This is an ongoing discussion and evolving relationship. To build trust and collaboration, La Crosse and DOC examined national best practices and attended trainings together.

Unity and collaboration between stakeholders is key. Evidence-based decision-making requires that people across systems collaborate and coordinate, both within and between agencies. Mentoring between new and old stakeholders allows for additional learning and partnership. The Sheriff's Office and Judiciary have crucial decision-making roles within the process.

2021 FOSTERING A SAFER COMMUNITY - LA CROSSE COUNTY

PRES-196 PRESENTATION

Attachments: 2021 PRES-196

E. Reports to Committee

None

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Thursday, January 27th at 12:15pm.
The Pennington County Jail Population Review Team will be presenting.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by ESQUEDA, seconded by EICHER, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending council approval