

Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes
Wed. Aug 4, 2021 3:30 pm

Location: Multipurpose Room on the Ground Floor of the Justice Center/Zoom Meeting.

Members Present: Bob Gibson, Fred Kelley, Judge Vale, Jeff Skatrud, Guy Taylor (via Zoom), and Craig Nolen.

Members Absent: Jerry Guth, Bill Eichelkraut, Wes Speers, and Jeb Sears.

Via Zoom: Chris Hughes.

Others: Mary Friedrichs, Judge Phillipson, and Dan Williams.

Staff: Whitney Flood, Marsha Johnson, Kristina Stanis, Carlos Rivera, and Julie Pickett.

1. Approval of Minutes: 1st Fred Kelley, 2nd Craig Nolen. Passed

2. Update on CJCC:

- Precision Kiosk: Revisit alcohol testing revisit and present research.
 - Green County Sherriff's Department would be in favor of the alcohol monitoring device.
 - However, would like to revisit/delay looking into it at this time.
 - Due to rising COVID numbers in our area.
 - If Green County's COVID activity level should increase, precautions in the jail will go into place (again).
 - Limiting incoming traffic in the jail/safety precautions.
 - **Motion to table:** 1st Craig Nolen, 2nd Fred Kelley. Passed

3. Update on Drug Court:

- General Update: Progress in the Court.
- Decision Making for the Next TAD Grant Cycle: Hybrid Court or Drug Court.
 - Questions regarding a Hybrid Court:
 - Should we apply for a Drug Court vs. Hybrid Court?
 - The benefits of applying for a Hybrid Court vs. a standalone Drug Court would be that we would have the ability to increase the number of referrals that we receive without changing the infrastructure of the entire program (i.e. there is no significant program changes).
 - Bob noted we have consistently not been able to get the number of referrals we believe are out there. The Sherriff and Police Chief noted that they have been unable to assign new officers to the Narcotics Unit which may have resulted in less drug arrests over the later few years. They also noted they may be able to remedy this in the near future.
 - We would be able to help more individuals.
 - Why not apply for an additional court i.e. OWI Court?
 - Rural counties do not have the numbers of cases and potential referrals to support the establishment of two full-treatment

courts, nor do they have the staff capacity; we do however, have both OWI cases and felony drug cases.

- What does it mean in regards to mixing the two populations?
 - Pro: There is a lot of overlap in regards to how the two populations are treated!
 - They are the same type of offender. Their drug of choice may be different, but their struggle with addiction is the same. (An addiction is an addiction).
 - All participants are diagnosed with a substance use disorder.
 - They are the same high risk/high need population that is served in both court types.
 - The behavior modifications techniques will be the same and the Treatment Court Standards you follow are the same.
 - Following the same standards, regardless of treatment court model, will improve future outcomes.
- Timing: Do we need to apply for the Hybrid Court now?
 - Simply put, yes, if we are going to apply. In terms of how the TAD grant works, the open cycle to apply for a Hybrid Court would not come around for another 5 years.
 - If we applied for a Hybrid Court in September 2021 and were awarded the funds to establish it (hypothetically, because they have not released the due date of the grant application), it would go into effect the following calendar year, January 2022.
- Could we apply for two grants one for a Drug Court and one for an OWI Court?
 - Two grants would mean two matches and likely be something we would be able to afford.
- Can the Drug Court counselors handle an increase in referrals/participants?
 - Yes. Both counselors have voiced that they feel confident in being able to handle the two populations and have done so in the past.
- **Motion to proceed with application for a Hybrid Court:** 1st Fred Kelley, 2nd Craig Nolen. Passed

4. Next Meeting: Nov 3, 2021

- Meetings are generally held at 3:30 PM in the Multipurpose Room on the ground floor of the Justice Center.

5. Items Not on the Original Agenda: 7th Annual F.A.I.T.H Run/Walk

- 7th Annual F.A.I.T.H. Run/Walk Event
- Date/Time: August 28, 2021 at 9:00 am
- Where: Monroe Clinic Parking Lot (on the west side near the Business Center).
- Online registration closes Friday, August 20, 2021 at 12:00 pm.
 - [F.A.I.T.H. 5k Run / 2 Mile Walk Registration Page \(zippyreg.com\)](https://zippyreg.com)

6. Motion to Adjourn: 1st Guy Taylor, 2nd Fred Kelley. Passed

7. Submitted By: Whitney Flood

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