Decatur County JRAC Meeting Minutes

Date: October 12, 2023

Time: 12:00

Place: Court Services Conference Room

Members Present: Judge Matthew Bailey, Judge Tim Day, Abby Harry, Sheriff Bill Meyerrose, Nathan

Harter IV, Bill Metz, Mark Koors, Laura Hildebrand, Chief Mike McNealy, Jennifer Sturges

Members not present: Matthew Hoeing

The meeting was called to order by Judge Tim Day at 12:00 pm.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Bill Metz and seconded by Sheriff Meyerrose. Motion was carried with unanimous approval.

The team discussed the old business of adding a work force development member to the team. A representative was not located prior to the meeting. Judge Bailey discussed the concern of adding board members outside of the criminal justice system.

Judge Bailey shared that Wellness Court received their certification from the state. There is funding for 2 years for a probation officer between ARPA and Opioid funds. This will allow the court to have 15-20 participants.

SEA 9 Quarterly report was reviewed and gone over. No one had any questions.

Abby informed the team that some probation officers are now certified in an Impaired Driving Assessment. This will allow us to better assess the risk of people on supervision for Operating while under the influence charges. Court Services will need to develop a policy in regard to this assessment.

Mark reported that he spoke with Rex, CEO of the hospital. When their physical rehab center is complete there will be a room in the basement of the hospital. Unknown what that will be used for. Discussion about talking to Rex about having 3 rooms for mental health patients to stay in while waiting for a bed at a mental healthy facility. Sheriff Meyerrose reported that they have 3 people in the Detention Center that need to be in a mental health facility. Mark said that he will reach out to Rex and invite him to the January JRAC meeting.

The Sheriff's Department will be hosting a CIT training at their facility at a date TBD for their officers and others. Johnson County Sheriff's Department will provide the training, free of costs. Mike Eggleston, Jail Commander, attended a CIT training and had positive things to report.

Nate stated that there may be a regional mental health hub coming and it would be located at Batesville Hospital as they are building a new facility. He reported that this is 5-10 years down the road. Abby brought up transportation concerns for the people of Decatur County and if it would really benefit the people of the county if they were not able to get there.

The sequential intercept model has not been completed. Discussion was heard if its worth making one. Belief that it would be beneficial. However, there is a chance that one already exists through the United Fund. Abby will reach out and see if one exists.

Jeramiah McAdams attended the meeting and discussed Juvenile programing coming to the county. Talked about a relationship with Centerstone for Juvenile services. Jeramiah and Judge Day will meet with Centerstone to talk about services. Jennifer asked if Centerstone was still in the school and if they were the CMHI and CMHW key holder. Jeramiah did not know and was asked to find out. Discussion was had about the hurdles the county has faced with Centerstone.

The next meeting is scheduled for 1/11/2024 at noon in the Court Services Conference room.

Judge Day adjourned the meeting at 12:37pm.

Reviewed by:

Secretary Freasurer