

# Advisory Board Meeting November 7, 2023

Call to Order at 4pm at Dubois County Community Corrections Conference Room

**Board Members in Attendance:** Alex Hohl, Annie Gramelspacher, Brett Hurm, Bridget Seaton, Doug Tarvin, Jennifer Lampert, Jennifer Merkley, Jeremy Kibby, Jonathan Burton, Judge Anthony Quinn, Judge Nathan Verkamp, Tim Demotte

**Board Members Not in Attendance:** Aaron Simpson, Beth Schroeder, Chad Blessinger, Judge William Weikert, Melissa Niehaus, Nathan Schmitt, Paula Rasche, Sheriff Tom Kleinhelter, Tara Rasche

**Non-Board Members in Attendance:** Wyatt Madden, Eric Beers, Emily Meyer, Amy Wyland, Rob Clark, Chuck Fleming, Mitch Lampert, Jennifer O'Brian, Christina Wagner, Serice Stenftenagel

**Approval of September 12, 2023 Advisory Board Minutes** All board members were sent a copy of the September 12 minutes. A vote was taken on minutes as presented.

Motion: Jenny Lampert to accept the minutes as written

Doug Tarvin 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried unanimously

**New Board Member Jeremy Kibby:** Introduced himself to everyone present. He talked about his experience with Corrections. He talked about being on the board of Brosmer House Trustees, a husband, father and employee.

-Welcome Jeremy to the board. We are happy to have you.

DCS Board Member Temporary Replacement: Aaron Simpson is no longer with Dubois County DCS. An interim replacement to sit on the board until a new director is hired is Shannon Blaize.

#### Community Corrections Population Report:

Adult CS: 5 (Probation)

Adult Day Reporting: 0

Electronic Monitoring: 62 (2 Juveniles)

Work Release: 83Males: 74

#### **Pre-Trial Services:**

Pretrial Tracking: 217 (pending cases)

Pretrial Monitoring: 163

o Females: 9

Basic: 40Moderate: 64Enhanced: 59

Pretrial Home Detention: 3

Pretrial Work Release: 7BACtrack: 1

SCRAM: 1

Discussion took place regarding the difference between BACtrack and SCRAM. Christina Wagner presented that BACtrack is more ideal from a monetary standpoint. BACTrack, there are immediate results for a reading and if there are any missed readings. There are ways around BACTrack and SCRAM. It was agreed that there is a policy that needs to be developed as to participants use of which device and the accountability part of each of the devices.

Christina also received notification that as of October 12, 2023, that Pre-Trial is currently accepted into Provisional Certification. After 6 months, Pre-Trial services will be officially certified for the next 3 years.

Pre-Trial Services also received more money from the grant this year as well by \$100,000.

Pre-Trial Services has 100% for no missed court dates for participants on Pre-Trial.

### **Collections and Expenditures**

- September: Copy of the Collections and Expenditures was given to each of the board members. September was the 1<sup>st</sup> time that Commissary was back to being in "green".
- Collections are where they need to be at this point. The CD that was originally taken out to help pay for officers, is not needed at this time, and was reinvested for another 30 days.

**2023 Data:** Mitch Lampert presented to the Board the IDOC Performance Measures and a copy of the metrics and where Dubois County Community Corrections stands.

Goal 1: 80% of all moderate to high-risk participants will be referred and actively attend weekly programming.

-Mitch informed the group that right now the agency is standing at 79.52%. Mitch stated that he feels the agency will be able to meet that goal by the end of the year.

Goal 2: DCCC will achieve a risk reduction rate of 22% for moderate to high-risk participants on supervision for more than 120 days in the calendar year 2023.

-The group was informed by Mitch that the agency is currently at -25.95%

Goal 3: Evidence Based intervention tools will be utilized in 85% of case management appointments for moderate to high-risk participants.

-The agency is currently at 85.78%

Pre-Trial Goal 1: Pretrial services will complete a pretrial assessment prior to the initial hearing for at least 90% of defendants booked into the jail.

-Currently Pre-Trial has completed 597/613 assessment which put them at 97.4%

*Pre-Trial Goal 2*: Pretrial services will maintain a safety rate of at least 88.8% of assessed defendants completing the pretrial portion of their case without receiving new criminal charges.

-Pre-Trial services have been able to maintain a safety rate of 93.97% currently

*Pre-Trial Goal 3*: Pre-Trial Services will maintain an appearance rate of at least 97% of assessed defendants completing the pretrial portion their case without any FTA warrants being issues.

-Mitch informed the group that the appearance rate stands at 97,49%

Motion was made by Doug Tarvin to accept the reports as discussed. Jeremy Kibby 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion

Motion carried unanimously.

#### Work Release and GPS

- Work Release Phase Program
- Revised Work Release Disciplinary Matrix and Sanctions
- Revised Work Release Intake Packet

Director Wyatt Madden informed the board of 2 recommendations for 24/7 GPS Monitoring and the Work Release Phase Program. Wyatt handed out a packet, with sanctions, and rules for each of the Work Release options. Wyatt explained each phase and the expectations of each phase.

Discussion took place regarding the pros and cons of the Phase Program and the 24/7 GPS monitoring. Discussion took place incentivizing the participants with the Phase Program. Discussion took place regarding the possibility of an increase of staff because of the increase of the workload. Discussion took place regarding the sanction matrix.

Discussion also took place regarding the participants that are currently in Work Release be grandfathered into the old rules. If the participants receive sanctions that are grandfathered in, then we should be able to follow the sanction matrix.

There was discussion that took place regarding all staff members and case managers following the sanction matrix and being consistent in sanctioning the participants.

Wyatt explained the pros of 24/7 outweighing the Phase Monitoring and the reasons behind each of them. Wyatt explained that the 24/7 is simplified, other agencies do the 24/7 GPS, less workload, and less likely to have too much gray area. The positive of the phase is in the align with DOC and the incentivizing the participants for making good decisions and doing what they need to be doing.

Prosecutors are voting for 24/7 GPS.

Motion Made by Jeremy Kibby to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> page agreeing with which participants should have a GPS bracelet 24/7 and which participants are to phase.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion made by Jenny Lampert Motion Carried

Motion was made by Judge Nathan Verkamp to Grandfather in the current Work Release participants to not be put on a GPS bracelet unless there is a violation, and the sanction is to put on a bracelet.

2<sup>nd</sup> motion made by Brett Hurm

Motion Carried

Alex Hohl makes a motion to do 24/7 GPS for all participants in on Pre-Trial or Sentenced to Work Release supervision. Doug Tarvin  $2^{nd}$  the Motion

Voting took place by a show of hands:

7 People present voted for the 24/7 GPS.

Judge Verkamp made Motion for Pre-Trial and Sentenced Work Release Participants to go through the Work Release Phase where participants will start out on a GPS but incentivized through good choices and behavior to phase off the GPS bracelet unless there is a violation.

Brett Hurm 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion for Phase with GPS 6 People present voted for Work Release Phase

Motion carried for Work Release participants to be on GPS 24/7 throughout the entire sentence.

## **Home Detention Phase Program**

- Home Detention Phase Program
- Revised Home Detention Disciplinary Matrix and Sanctions
- Revised Home Detention Intake Packet

No Motion on the Floor was made to do Phasing for the Home Detention Program

Home Detention Phase Program did not proceed.

### **New Business**

- Sex Offenders and Community Corrections: No Discussion
- Good Time Credit: No Discussion
- Probation and Community Corrections Collaboration Meetings: Wyatt discussed the change in language for any participant
  going to Probation after Home Detention and Work Release to change the verbiage from "successful or unsuccessful" to
  "supervisions expired. The board has been informed that language has already been changed as of September Meeting.
- RISE program is also waiting to get started based on participants being assessed and accepted into the program. When the
  grant was written and received, the Recovery Houses had not been built and now we have 2 of them in Dubois County.

### 2024 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule

- January 9, 2024 @ 4pm
- March 12, 2024 @ 4pm
- May 14, 2024 @ 4pm
- July 9, 2024 @ 4pm
- September 10, 2024 @ 4pm
- November 12, 2024 @ 4pm

# Next Advisory Board Meeting: January 9, 2024 @ 4PM:

Motion to Adjourn meeting was made by Doug Tarvin. 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion made by Jennifer Merkley to adjourn meeting

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm