

**DODGE COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COLLABORATING COUNCIL**

**February 23, 2021**

**Minutes**

1. **Call to order:** District Attorney Kurt Klomberg called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.
2. **Roll call: Members present were:** Sheriff Dale Schmidt, Human Service Director Becky Bell; County Administrator Jim Mielke; Greg Vollan, Judge Joseph Sciascia; Mary Wendel, Donna Braun.  
**Others:** Managing Attorney, Bob Barrington, Amber Dieter, Chrissy Stein, Treatment Court Director, Carol Carlson.  
**Absent / Excused:** Thomas Nickel, Jeana Meyer
3. **Public Comment:** Judge Sciascia addresses the council during public comment.
4. **Approval of Minutes of November 17, 2020:** Motion by Joseph Sciascia, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Vollan to approve the November 17, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion carried.
5. **Report of DTC / IDC Program Director:** Presented by Carol Carlson. Discussion regarding DTC/IDC update, discussion regarding TAD grant revenue and expenses. Discussion of retention and recidivism rates from Dr. Gregory. Further clarification is needed on data and how it was calculated.
6. **Thank you for Carol Carlson's work with the Courts:** DA Klomberg, Judge Sciascia, Greg Vollan, Becky Bell and Jim Mielke share sincere thank you to Carol for her dedication and impact on the treatment courts during her time with the County.
7. **Status for replacement of Director:** Becky Bell informed the council that Justice Poiny is currently interviewing for the position. Ed Gordon and Rick Sawyer will fill role temporarily. Unsure of time frame for replacement.
8. **Discussion of impact of removal of 60 day entry rule and potential for future of potential entry time limits:** DA discussion of data being collected, but it is too soon to see any real trends based on the limited data. Judge Sciascia brings forth ideas about spreading the word about treatment court and possible solutions. Discussion regarding handout with explanation of treatment court, request for handout to be approve at next meeting.
9. **Determine Next Meeting Date:** Next meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2021 at 3 p.m.
10. **Adjournment:** Adjourned by Committee Chair. Time 3:46 p.m.

*Jim Mielke*  
County Administrator

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**Current and Pending Participants:**

**Drug Treatment Court:**

12 Current Participants  
 7 Pending Eligible Participants  
 10 Pending Referrals  
 2 Graduations 11/17/2020-02/23/2021  
 2 Terminations 11/17/2020-02/23/2021  
 0 Removed/Ineligible- Out of County resident  
 1 Absconders with Active Warrants  
 1 Currently Facing Termination Actions

**Impaired Driving Court:**

24 Current Participants  
 3 Pending Eligible Participants  
 15 Pending Referrals  
 5 Graduations 11/17/2020-02/23/2021  
 0 Terminations since 01/01/2020-11/17/2020 (administrative discharge)  
 0 Terminations since 11/17/2020-02/17/2021(revocation)  
 0 Absconders with Active Warrants  
 0 Currently Facing Termination Actions

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**Program Expenditures**

**Revenues and Expenditures**

**TAP Revenues and Expenses: Annual Revenue: \$100,000**

<b><u>YTD Totals:</u></b>	<b><u>Annual Budget:</u></b>	<b><u>Unexpended Budget:</u></b>
\$77,725	\$100,000	\$22,275

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**TAD grant Revenues and Expenses: Annual Revenue: \$209,620**

<u>YTD Totals:</u>	<u>Annual Budget:</u>	<u>Unexpended Budget:</u>
\$206,555	\$209,620	\$ 3,065
	*\$279, 494 (*Includes Dodge Co. match)	

**Program Changes/Notes:**

1. 2020 Summary: IDC: 22 new admissions, 19 graduations, 3 terminations  

DTC: 13 new admissions, 6 graduations, 3 terminations, 1 deceased
  
2. **Trends in DTC:** The number of referrals received for DTC this year was 48 as compared to 75 in 2019. However there were 13 admissions this year as opposed to 10 last year. DTC is comprised of 64% male and 36% female. The majority of participants are in on drug possession charges. The majority of the participants are 26-55 years old accounting for 82% of the program participants. Drugs of choice are predominately heroin followed by cocaine and methamphetamines. The trend shows an increase in the use of methamphetamines this year.

The Drug Treatment Court program has been in operation for five years. Based on a recent program evaluation the DTC has experienced a 58% retention rate and a 52% graduation rate. The national graduation rate is 50%. The three year recidivism rate is 11% with two convictions in Year 1 post-graduation, one in Year 2 and zero in Year 3. Persons who graduated from the program spent an average of 13.6 months in the program.

**Trends In IDC:** Referrals for IDC was up this year to 54 as opposed to 42 in 2019. There were 22 admissions this year compared to 15 in 2019. IDC is comprised of 83% males and 17% females. 82% are 26-45 years old. Since 2015, the IDC retention rate has been 75% and the graduation rate is 84%. Out of the 137 graduates, 102 were convicted of OWI 3 and 35 graduates were convicted of OWI 4. The data regarding recidivism TBD.
  
3. **BJA update:** The final report on the program evaluation of DTC program conducted by Dr. Paul Gregory was received. This report and recommendations will be used to make program adjustments and improvements. An action plan was developed to address the areas of concern which included re- examining the timelines for admission and explore opportunities to drug testing on a 7 day per week randomized schedule. Next steps for the program will be to hire a case manager and admit 15 additional participants, bringing the DTC capacity to 30 high risk/high need participants.
  
4. **Mentor Court Visit:** The Drug Treatment Court team Members participated in a mentor court virtual site visit. This was sponsored by the National Drug Court Institute. We were paired

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with the McHenry County in Illinois. It was helpful to the team to observe the staffing session and court sessions. The team got some good ideas for creative sanctions and incentives.

5. The 2021 DHS TAP grant application that was submitted in October was awarded to Dodge County. The case managers will continue to screen booked offenders in the jail and make appropriate referrals to community resources. Additionally, an Early Intervention program for offenders who have a high need for alcohol and/or drug treatment who are low to medium risk was created. These offenders will be placed on a deferred prosecution agreement, and receive treatment and case management services. A team consisting of the district attorney, public defender, treatment provider and case manager will monitor the participants' progress. Those who successfully complete avoid prosecution of their case. One person was admitted on February 17.
6. Three persons received Vivitrol in the jail between 11/17/2020 to date, which is covered by the DHS MAT grant.
7. The vacant DTC/TAP case manager position was filled on January 19, 2021 by Angela Bonack. She participated in Motivational Interviewing Training February 18 and 19. Two case managers trained in Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT) Training in December 2021. It is a cognitive behavioral program that addressed criminal thinking.
8. Treatment Court Program Director is retiring at the end of February.