

WINNEBAGO COUNTY SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE

DATE: March 26, 2010

TIME: Noon

PLACE: Judge Woldt's Courtroom

PRESENT: Christian Gossett, Mark Habeck, Gordon Hintz, Kelly Kent, Barb Key, John Kuech, Adam Levin, Kris Linde, Carol Morack, Mike Olig, Harvey Rengstorf, Tom Saari, Eric Sparr, Liz Swank, Todd Timm, Kevin Wilkinson and Scott Woldt

Lunch provided by Rep. Hintz and Judge Woldt.

Soda provided by Chief Greuel.

- Motion by Barb Key to accept minutes from meeting from 12/11/09. Seconded by Mark Habeck. Motion carried.
- Update on Drug Court:
 - ◆ Current participants: 12 in phase 1; 8 in phase 2; and 13 in phase 3.
 - ◆ 20 graduates of program and another graduation will be held soon. Date to be determined.
 - ◆ Implemented changes approved by committee at the last meeting (12/11/09).
 - ◆ Discussion about OWI participants in Drug Court. Currently program has maximum participants for the current staffing level.
- Update on SSTOP:
 - ◆ Current participant numbers distributed.
 - ◆ With legislation passing to enable SSTOP program to be expanded statewide, Mike Olig has done several presentations for other counties looking at starting their own program.
 - ◆ Discussed wording of "probation" in legislation and how intent of this group in suggesting legislation was a county funded program. Discussed funding challenges for counties looking to start a similar program.
- Update on Day Report Center (DRC):
 - ◆ Current numbers of participants running in the 50+ people/day range (all from the courts).

- ◆ Feedback that DRC is effective at providing helpful information at time of sentencing – either showing follow-thru and success individuals have had or not.

➤ New Business:

- ◆ Misdemeanor Drug Diversion Program
 - ◆ Kris Linde is program contact.
 - ◆ 7-18 months to complete the program.
 - ◆ Program began last week, currently has 4 participants.
 - ◆ Motion by Eric Spaar to include the misdemeanor drug diversion program under the Safe Streets Committee. Seconded by Barb Key. Motion carried.
- ◆ Mental Health Court / Juvenile Court
 - ◆ Judges working with John Matz from Sheriff's Office on a grant application to start program. Judge Seifert indicated interest in being involved.
- ◆ New programming in Winnebago County Jail
 - ◆ In February 2010 began contracting with Family Services to provide similar programming that is offered at the Day Report Center to incarcerated inmates.
- ◆ Request for Proposals: Jail Consultant
 - ◆ The Sheriff's Office is seeking proposals for a jail consultant to review criminal justice system in Winnebago County and how changes since the last study (new judges, DA, alternatives to incarceration, legislative changes, etc.) will impact future jail bed space needs. In addition, review effectiveness of current alternatives and recommend other alternative programming that may be effective.
 - ◆ Introduction of Chief of Police Kevin Wilkinson (Neenah).
 - ◆ Christian Gossett invited by Office of Justice Assistance to participate in a think tank group that is being formed to breakdown statistical data on diversion programs in the State of Wisconsin.

➤ Next Meeting:

- ◆ Friday, June 18, 2010 @ 12:00 in Judge Woldt's courtroom. (Lunch: Judge Key and Soda: John Kuech).