WINNEBAGO COUNTY SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE

March 16, 2012

Circuit Courtroom Branch 2

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Paul Eisen, Mark Habeck, Mark Harris, Barb Key, Kris Linde, John Matz, Carol Morack, Mike Olig, Tom Saari, Eric Spaar,
	Todd Timm, Bill Wingren, Scott Woldt
OTHERS PRESENT:	Robert Dewane, Chee Vang, and Danielle Ziegler

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion made by Habeck/Spaar to approve agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Paul Eisen:

- 1. The Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) has an educational seminar in Stevens Point on 03/26/12 on creating treatment and diversion programs
- 2. Brought information for Safe Streets Chair on the WCA's most recent legislative committee meeting
- 3. Advised that the Public Safety Committee will be looking at developing an ordinance regarding operation of motor vehicles on frozen lakes similar to one that Calumet County has.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Key/Matz to approve meeting minutes from December 2, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

STATUS REPORTS:

DRUG COURT:

3-4 participants will be eligible to graduate in about 3 months. On 04/19- 04/20/12 the drug court team will attend training in Racine. Current participant numbers are in the low 30's with no waiting time to get in the program. One program graduate recently passed away due to an overdose. 45 total people have graduated from the program.

SSTOP:

Current statistics distributed. Discussed whether to consider changing participation to more than one time in program, which is the current limit. Philosophy originally was to start intervention early to prevent the need for participating multiple times. Also it was discussed if there was support to change the OWI legislation to have assessment before ignition interlock and/or Huber law eligibility.

DAY REPORT:

There are currently about 33 participants utilizing Day Report. Most are from the courts but due to jail population numbers, about 3 unemployed inmates are using the program for employment search.

Danielle Ziegler (Family Services) was introduced. She is providing optional educational services to inmates in the jail. Some of the classes offered are: AODA, Anger Management, Parenting, and Building Healthy Relationships.

24/7 PROGRAM:

Currently there are 90 participants on the program, 73 on SCRAM and 17 on PBT testing. Equipment costs are increasing in 2012 and therefore program fees will be increasing 04/01/12. There has been positive survey results from those who have completed the program.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DIVERSION PROGRAM:

Current statistics distributed. Positive feedback has been received from participants.

MISDEMEANOR DRUG DIVERSION PROGRAM:

The grant funding for the program ends at the end of 2012. The program is being reviewed to assess what it will look like without grant funding. It is too expensive for participants to bear the full cost using fees. Currently the program is treatment based and addresses substance issues via AODA treatment. However, that may have to change to focusing only on compliance. Overall cost must be cut >50%.

JUVENILE TREATMENT COURT:

The program is going well with 5 participants and 2 more referrals. Participants' grades are improving; they are staying in school, and volunteering.

STEP UP PROGRAM:

Focusing on giving back to the community and have done two neighborhood clean-ups and visited Evergreen and played games with the residents. There are 9 students (4 returning from last year).

The program is meeting weekly at the Boys and Girls Club every Tuesday from 3 – 4:30. Each meeting starts with a 15-minute education program. 4 officers and volunteers from UW-Oshkosh are involved. The program targets students in grades 6-8.

RE:THINK

They've been working on contracts for parents and their students who are new drivers. They cover issues like agreeing to always wear a seatbelt and not getting into a car with a driver who has been drinking.

NEW BUSINESS:

Robert Dewane, Assistant District Attorney from Manitowoc County, was visiting and looking at potential programs.

Brown County is starting a Veteran's Court and Outagamie County is starting a Mental Health Court. The judges in Winnebago County have looked at a veteran's court here, however there are not the participant numbers to support the program. However, perhaps something could be done regionally.

RETHINK has a breakfast on 04/20/12 at Miron at 7:30 A.M.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, June 22, 2012 in Br. 2 courtroom.