

Wells County Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council (JRAC)

Members present:

Judge Antrim, Prosecutor Jeff Stineberg, Probation Greg Werich, Community Corrections Blake Poindexter, Mental Health Center Jinny Broderick, Bluffton City Police Kyle Randall

Minutes:

Minutes were reviewed for December 12, 2023 and March 19, 2024 no changes. Motion Judge Antrim, Second Blake Poindexter

Quarterly Electronic Monitoring Report

A discussion by Judge Antrim on issues with the Community Transition Program and the difficulties getting accurate eligibility status. Director Poindexter brought up at the spring training institute for IACCAC that IDOC central office update the effort to deal with these issues.

Juvenile services:

Judge Kiracofe was in a jury trial and not present he is chair of the committee. Chief Deputy Jeff Stineberg and Chief Probation Officer Greg Werich informed the group on the progress in setting up a standard process for the schools for truancy response and it is ongoing.

Mental Health:

Scott Holiday was not present but Jinny Broderick discussed and updated what Parkview's Response Team and how it is going. She also informed the group about the Crisis Stabilization Unit should be going by July 1, 2024 and will review 24-hour commitments for substance abuse issues.

Community Supervision Committee:

A review that the subcommittee has met 2 times and Chief Probation Officer Greg Werich went through the process for probation and on the second Director Blake Poindexter went through the process for offenders on Community Corrections.

Sequential Intercept Map Project Committee:

Greg Werich gave an update that he is waiting on a response for setting up our participation in the process.

New Business:

A general discussion about difficulties with individuals going through the criminal justice system and having translators to assure that individuals from the point of arrest through the court process and to sentencing phase have the ability to comprehend the information and required information clearly understand what they have been informed of. Jinny Broderick informed the group that Parkview is using the AMN Health Care Service app for translation services. Judge Antrim brought up that the courts have to have certified translators and is this app certified and Jinny did not know if it is for Courts. Further discussion about concerns and how to fund translation services was brought up.

Jinny Broderick brought up the first case for Transition from Jail we had our first offender and a discussion by Judge Antrim who was sentencing judge, Chief Probation Officer Greg Werich, and Director Poindexter felt it went well and just needing to do some adjustments for the Prosecutors and Defense Attorneys in doing pleas for identifying these individuals. Judge Antrim said he would talk to the Public Defenders about this in the next couple of weeks.

No further new business a motion to adjourn was made by Judge Antrim, seconded by Blake Poindexter