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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
7/26/2017
12:00 NOON TO 1:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAIRMAN KEVIN STEELE, VICE CHAIRMAN DA DAMON MITCHELL, MS. TERESA CLARDY, PAT HENDERSON, MS. SHERRIE WATKINS-ALVEY, MR. MILTON SCOTT

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS STAFF PRESENT: MR. PHILLIP LOCKMAN, MS. PAT JACKSON, MS. MAVIS HUTCHINGS (RECORDER)

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

12:07 P.M. meeting called to order by Chairman Steele

REVIEW OF THE MEETING MINUTES:

Reviewed the minutes from April 2017 meeting. Chairman Steele asked for a motion. Ms. Pat Henderson made the motion and Ms. Watkins-Alvey 2nd the motion. All approved 6/0.

NEWS/INFORMATIONAL/REQUESTS:

- **Welcome New Board Members:** The board members welcomed Mr. Milton Scott from the Kansas City, Kansas Housing Authority Office who took the place of Ms. Jackie Randall. Additionally, Captain John Grosko, who is the replacement for Captain Steve Haulmark with Kansas City, Kansas Police Department is also a new member. Captain Grosko was unable to attend the meeting this week, so he will be welcomed in the month of August 2017.

- **Update on the New Behavioral Health Court:** Mr. Patrick Sumner provided the members with an overview of the new Behavioral Health Court, which is projected to start with already sentenced probationers in September 2017. The new Behavioral Health Court is ran very similar to Drug Court. You have to come into the program voluntarily. Per Mr. Lockman and Mr. Sumner, the Behavioral Health Court is an innovative alternative to incarceration with emphasis on accountability and intensive monitoring for individuals charged with felony offenses. The Behavioral Health Court removes defendants from the clogged courtrooms of the traditional criminal justice system, placing them in a new type of courtroom environment where they undergo treatment and counseling, make regular appearances before the judge, and are monitored closely for program compliance.

The mission of Wyandotte County Behavioral Health Court (BHC) is to reduce recidivism for those with severe and persistent mental illness (SPMI) currently engaged with felony probation with Community Corrections. We seek to increase public safety by implementation of a cost

effective, continuum of individualized care through the utilization of this specialized court. The BHC will hold defendants accountable for their actions, and assist participants in achieving long-term stability in order to become successful members of the community.

The GOALS are to: Identify and address defendants who suffer from SPMI. Improve services to participants with SPMI by providing access to appropriate community-based services, including mental health treatment services. Reduce time spent involved in the criminal justice system. Promote evidence-based practices for recovery among participants served by the BHC. Reduce recidivism and protect public safety by supervising participants on probation who suffer from SPMI.

Participants Goals: Specialized probation with Intensive Supervision Officer (ISOs) trained in mental health best practices. Appropriate developed treatment and goal planning. BHC mental health liaison assigned to coordinate care with service delivery prioritization. Dedicated defense counsel. Court team trained in mental health best practices.

BHC will take at least 12 to 18 months to complete.

Team Members for Behavioral Health Court

- District Court Judge
- District Attorney's Office
- Community Corrections Officer
- Wyandot Center
- Defense Attorney
- CIT Trained Deputy

Graduation: Upon successful completion of a participant's treatment program and satisfaction of all other court requirements, the participant will graduate from BHC. Graduation from the BHC Program is recognized as a very important event. The participant's family and friends will be invited to attend a special ceremony as the BHC Team congratulates the participant for successfully completing the BHC program and achieving their individual goals.

Mr. Lockman stated in the future that the DAs Office may look at accepting new participants during the Pre-sentencing phase, Diversion, and maybe adding Municipal Court.

Ms. Pat Henderson asked what the sanctions for not being in compliant with Behavioral Health Court. Mr. Sumner stated some of the sanctions are increased reporting, loss of privileges, increased court time; jail sanctions, and worse case if revocation.

Ms. Clardy asked if Behavioral Health Court was part of this year's 2018 Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Lockman stated it was.

RESUMED BUSINESS:

- **Revision/Approval on the FY 2018 Behavioral Health Budget:** Mr. Lockman asked the board to approve the final Behavioral Health Grant Award. Mr. Lockman stated that Wyandotte County Community Corrections received about a 5% cut (around \$10,000.00). The total funding received was \$141,716.81 (\$76,016.81 went to program provider; \$50,000.00 to the care coordinator; \$12,000.00 voucher funds; \$3,700.00 to miscellaneous). Voucher funds were not approved for any drug testing supplies, incentives, gift cards, transportation costs or co-pays for in-house programing (including bus tickets or gas cards). Chairman Steele asked for a

motion to approve the FY 2018 Behavioral Health Budget. DA Damon Mitchell placed the motion and Ms. Clardy 2nd the motion. Approved 6/0.

- **Revision/Approval to the Adult FY 2018 Quarterly Budget:** Mr. Lockman asked the board to approve the new revision to the Adult 2018 Quarterly Budget (1st QTR). Mr. Lockman mentioned the state decreased the budget this year by 5%, so he met with the Public Safety Business Office (Budget Person) to reallocate funding and obtain funding from other sources. Mr. Lockman was successful in obtaining 50% of the COG Coordinator salary from alcohol tax dollars, which allow some of the other funding to be reallocated to substance abuse treatment, client incentives, housing assistance, DC Staff-Client Defense, etc. Total budget for 1st Quarter FY 18 came to a total of 36,650.00, which covers postage, electronic monitoring, Substance abuse treatment, DC Staff-Client defense, Housing Assistance, Drug Testing Supplies, and Client Incentives. Ms. Watkins-Alvey stated that she was impressed with obtaining 50% for the COG Coordinator salary from alcohol tax dollars.

Mr. Lockman mentioned he was able to get the Behavioral Health Counsel for the Behavioral Health Court out of BIDS. He is looking at trying to do the same for the Defense Counsel for Drug Court.

Chairman Steele asked for a motion for approval of the FY2018 Quarterly Budget Adjustment Report. DA Damon Mitchell placed the motioned and Ms. Clardy second the motion. Approved 6/0.

BOARD MAINTENANCE:

Future Meeting location

- August 23, 2017, 12:00-1:00 PM, 3rd Floor conference room, Building 812 N 7th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101
- September 27, 2017, 12:00-1:00 PM, 3rd Floor conference room, Building 812 N 7th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101
- October 25, 2017, 12:00-1:00 PM, 3rd Floor conference room, Building 812 N 7th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 12:42 PM without a Motion.