

CJCC Meeting Minutes:

April 1, 2025

Attendees: Judge Lisa McDougal, Sue Larson-New Day Counseling-treatment provider, Larry Engels-County Board Supervisor, Pastor Hoffman-Ministerial Association, Kristin Ihm-Probation and Parole Supervisor-DOC, Savannah Huber-Treatment Court Coordinator, Trisha Clements-Director of HHS, Mary Stowell-Richland County HHS, Jennifer Harper-District Attorney, Sheriff Clay Porter, Jason Pilla-Detective of City of Richland Center, Jenifer Laue- Judicial Assistant

Judge McDougal calls the meeting to order at 8:33 am
Proof of Notification was confirmed.

Approval of Agenda: Larry Engel moves to approve the agenda, second by Sue Larson, motion approved.

Approval of Minutes: Trish Clements moves to approve the meeting minutes, Larry seconds, motion approved.

No public comment

New committee members: New Committee members: Mary Stowell stated her position at HHS which was created. She has been informing inmates at the jail of available services. She will also be helping with transportation. They have a grant for room and board.

Sue Larson commented on former participants possibly being a part of this committee. Ultimately the committee members need to be approved by the county board.

Bail Monitoring Program: There has been a lot of discussion on this issue and this is still a future goal. However, currently there is no one available to run this program. Other counties that have this program have a designated person to facilitate it. It is a Cost-effective program and enhances public safety. There is risk reduction by having more information for the court at the bail hearing. It would also be useful with pretrial services.

Mission: Start a sub-committee and create a model. The courts, DA, Law enforcement HHS all advocate for it. There are grants and funding, including opiate funds to support treatment. This should be added to our long-term strategic plan with costs factored in. Subcommittee members may include: Clay, Jennifer Harper. Jason Pilla, Brandi Christianson. Lisa McDougal and others. Need to schedule a meeting.

Domestic Violence Assessments: Kiah has been trained in doing these.

Treatment court – This is a diversion program. Studies show that if you don't have diversion programs, problems can actually be created. An example is the person with no criminal experience. Best practice is to inform people at the time of arrest.

Treatment court after care: ongoing discussion for participants that have graduated from treatment court. Chaplin or spiritual care program is not in place.

There is ministerial program in the jail. Discussion regarding the RCMA. There has been discussion with Police Chief and Sheriff.

Sue L. would be willing to provide a list of prosocial activities in the community and other resources.

Update on National Conference Funds: Discussion on education and reapplying with a power point.

Treatment Court Documents/Policies: Motion to implement Treatment Court Team Member Confidentiality Agreement, Treatment Court Team Member Orientation Checklist, Treatment Court Team Member Memorandum of Understanding (DOC needs approval from supervisors), Treatment Court Electronic Communication Policy update, Treatment Court Supervision Policy update – all were approved.

TAD Funding: We spent in \$105,000 of the \$173,000. The 2025 grant application is due October 21st. Signatures from committee members to support the funding are needed-see Savannah. Savannah applied for \$5,000 from the opiate settlement fund for incentives and other supplies.

Future Agenda Items

Bail Monitoring

Assessments for Domestic Violence-update from Kiah / Brandi

Treatment court report.

Keeping graduates involved. Peer support for both people in jail and treatment court.

Exit interviews. Incorporate one on one questions-we have had 31 graduates

Update on reapplying for National Conference funds with a power point presentation.

Update from RCMA

Next meeting July 14, 2025 at 3:00 pm