

## BUFFALO COUNTY PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

**Community/Board:** Community Justice Services – Buffalo and Pepin Counties

**Date of Meeting:** Friday, May 10, 2019

**Electronic and Hard Copy Filing Date:** Tuesday, May 21, 2019

**Location:** CJS Department  
Buffalo County Courthouse  
Room 2400, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor CJS Office  
407 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.  
Alma, WI 5461

Meeting called to order by Brenda Berning at 8:31 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Members present Brenda Berning, Craig Brooks, John Kriesel, Mike Osmond and Roselle Schlosser.

**Minutes** – Mr. Kriesel made motion to approve April 12, 2019, minutes as presented, second by Mr. Osmond. Motion carried

**Financial Report** – April, 2019 financial report presented and reviewed. Mr. Kriesel motion to approve financial reports as presented, second by Mr. Brooks.

**Coordinator’s Report** – Ms. Berning presented the CJS Coordinator’s Report as follows:

**CJS Data** as of 5/8/19:

- Active = 41
- Soberlink = 5
- Drug Testing = 33
- IDIP = 3
- DPA = 20 (BC – 14 and PC – 6)
- Random Drug Screening = 5 (2 – Active 3-Inactive (in-custody))

	2017 (commence 7/31)	2018	2019	TOTALS
Total Screened	77	117	46	240
Completed	11	40	10	62
Client did not want to participate/Terminated	5	17	7	29
Removed (per client request)	0	2	0	2

Not Approved (BW, charge, probation)	32	52	17	101 (10 participants declines)
DPA	1 (new) BC-1 PC-0	17 (new) BC-12 PC-5	6 (new) BC-16 PC-5	20 BC – 14 PC - 6
Average # of Active Participants	15/month	36/month	40.4/month	
Average # of Participants on Soberlink	6/month	8/month	5/month	
Average # of Participants Drug Testing	11/month	25/month	33.6/month	
Average # of Participants on IDIP	2/month	2/month	2.8/month	

**CJS Participant Data Graph** – Mr. Rynders was not able to make it to this meeting. Members reviewed data and had several questions. Topic tabled for next CJS Steering Committee Meeting.

**Soberlink – Policy & Procedure to establish criteria whom obtains free soberlink** – Topic tabled for next CJS Steering Committee Meeting.

**Transportation** – Ms. Berning shared the email Mr. Rynder’s sent out to Buffalo County Department Heads and the 2019 Aging and Disability Resource Center Volunteer Driver Grid. There were several questions. Topic tabled for next CJS Steering Committee Meeting.

**CJS TAD Disqualifiers** – Ms. Berning proposed and the committee discussed the following as TAD Disqualifiers:

- Violent offenses (not allowed per TAD grant);
- Sex offenses;
- Individuals charges with primarily dealing drugs;
- Individual currently on probation;
- Anyone with existing in-state or extraditable warrants or non-deferred pending charges that are not resolved at the time TAD begins;
- Previous TAD termination from program due to non-compliance or new charges. (Will consider individual who were referred but terminated for absconding prior to beginning the program.)

All members agreed on the TAD Disqualifiers except for the last one. Members agreed to look at case-by-case and have flexibility in judgment. Will vote at next meeting.

**CJS Clients residing in Minnesota – obtain medical card for THC – how CJS Handles participant.** All committee members agreed if participant has prescription medical card for THC we will allow it. Will vote at next meeting.

**Outcome and Performance Measures – recommendation participant data to measure.** Topic tabled for next CJS Steering Committee Meeting.

**Violation & Sanctions Grid (updates)** – The committee members had a lengthy discussion regarding the sanction grid as follows:

- Giving participants too many chances;
- Do need to update violation/sanction grid because it's not being followed;
- Judge does not acknowledging CJS violation letter;
- We should focus on those who want to get clean and want to work the program and stop working with those who do not want to work the program sooner;
- Differentiate dosage hours between THC charges versus Meth charges; Ms. Berning explained the LS/CMI measure risk/need and dosage hours are determined based on the assessment outcomes not charges.

**Next Meeting: Friday, June 14, 2019, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Alma CJS Office (second Friday of every month).**

**Public Comments Not Regarding Agenda Items:** None.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Brenda Berning

**Brenda Berning,  
CJS Coordinator**