

WINNEBAGO COUNTY SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE

December 12, 2014

Circuit Courtroom Branch 2

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Jon Bellows, Paul Eisen, Rick Gudex, Gordon Hintz, John Matz, Linda Meier, Carol Morack, Tracy Paider, Chris Rose, Tom Saari, Michael Schraa, Todd Timm, Bill Wingren, Scott Woldt and Joe Yana
OTHERS PRESENT:	Tara Notzke, Jennie Ryan

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Agenda approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Paul Eisen reported that he attended the 10th Annual Banquet & Celebration of ESTHER on December 7, 2014 at which Sister Helen Prejean, author of "Dead Man Walking" was the featured speaker.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from meeting on September 19, 2014 approved.

STATUS REPORTS:

DRUG COURT:

There are currently 38 participants with 27 in Phase I, 11 in Phase II and 10 in Phase III. Since the program began in 2006 there have been 81 graduates. Fifty-nine participants have withdrawn from the program and 21 have been terminated from the program. The recidivism rates are 24% for graduates, 74% for those that were terminated and 82% for those that withdrew.

SSTOP:

Statistics regarding the program were distributed prior to the meeting and are attached and incorporated to the minutes. The statistics include the recidivism rates for OWI re-arrests up to November 30, 2014. A total of 736 people have completed the program and 212 people have been revoked from the program.

24/7 PROGRAM:

There are currently 85 participants in the alcohol program. People are involved in the program an average of 88 days.

There are currently 7 individuals participating in the drug program.

Sheriff Matz presented information at the Badger State Sheriff's Association meeting regarding the pending 24/7 legislation. He reported that smaller counties expressed concerns regarding their ability to staff the program. He and Lt. Lara Vendola-Messer also presented information about the program to the Judges in the 4th Judicial District.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DIVERSION PROGRAM:

Program began on January 1, 2014. There are 77 participants in the pre-charge program with 16 other offers pending. There have been no revocations.

There are 14 participants in the post-charge program with 4 offers pending. There has been 1 revocation from the program.

DRUG DIVERSION PROGRAM:

The DA's office has re-applied for the grant for this program. The pre-charge program requires completion of an AODA assessment along with a period of "clean time." Successful completion will result in no charges being filed.

There are 67 participants in the post-charge program.

STEP UP PROGRAM:

No update available.

RE: THINK

The Heroin task force continues with each of the 4 Pillars meeting to address particular issues (examples:)

Prevention

School Curriculum

Treatment

Multi-County Detox Center

Enforcement

Harm Reduction

Plans for a Suboxone/Methadone Clinic established through Medical Solutions

Needle Exchange Program

Narcan training for family members of addicts

DEC (drug endangered children) Protocol

24/7 Legislation

The proposed legislation is ready and likely to be submitted in January or February.

Teen Court/VIP

The Judges decided to continue the VIP and Teen Court programs. The programs will now be supervised by Winnebago County Department of Human Services with Carol Morack. The cases will be entered into a data base so that the success of the programs can be more readily determined.

Proxy

The Good Choices program is almost ready to be implemented. The committee members are in the process of developing a mission statement, goals and objectives. The program will be offered to first time offenders upon their contact with law enforcement. The program will require participants to observe a video regarding consequences of court proceedings and ccap and then take a test. Successful completion will result in no citation being issued. There is a \$50 fee for the program.

NEW BUSINESS:

NEXT MEETING: Friday, March 20, 2015 at noon in Br. 2 courtroom.
(pizza – John Matz; soda – Jon Bellows)