

Advisory Board Meeting  
October 15, 2018

Present: Michael Nance, Jean Gaha, Nancy Hendrickson, Ashley McClure, Lynette Clark, Kari Ragsdale, Tim Turner, Eric Ping, Judge Edens, Lori Schein, Jana Taylor, Judge Petit, Dave Truitt, Katie Gates, Sam Myers, Diana Huddleston

Minutes from August meeting presented- voted and approved.

Financial Report for August and September presented- no significant things to report. Project income collection is excellent. Minutes voted and approved.

JDAI Coordinator Jean Gaha is retiring at the end of the month. Jean has been an asset and her work with JDAI is much appreciated. New coordinator has been hired and will begin after her retirement. DEB Center is currently closed due to no funding from DOC. There are currently conversations with local treatment providers to hopefully get that back up and running for the kids in the community that are in need of those services.

Felony Diversion (Sam Myers) – there are currently 46 clients on felony diversion. Things are still going well. First round that has started are now completing the program and have an overall pretty successful completion rate. Michael stated that his caseload is full currently and the next several clients that get placed on felony diversion will be assessed and case managed by Annette Bowden. As the program grows the need for case management will continue to grow.

Home Detention (Jana Taylor) There are 74 active adult clients on CC Electronic Monitoring / HD as of 10/15/18. 6 of those 74 are pretrial and 1 is being monitored as a condition of felony diversion. There are currently 9 due to be released by the next AB Meeting on 12/17/18. There have been 36 total requests for monitoring since the last meeting and 24 of those requests have been recommended for supervision.

Again, those who are not being recommended have outstanding fees, a hold or warrant for another jurisdiction, no approved residence in Boone County or a transferring county isn't willing to accept supervision.

Eligibility determinations are made based upon criteria set forth in the "Home Detention Eligibility Screening Tool" and are solely and instrument used for RECOMMENDATION for disposition and based upon statute and local rule. The decision pertaining to the setting forth of sentencing/ sanctions/ placement are left to the sole discretion of the court.

Pre-Trial Program (Ashley McClure) – nothing significant to report. There are 6 clients being monitored on HD pre-trial status and there are approximately another 82 being monitored on conditions of release with some sort of weekly/ bi-weekly/ monthly reporting. There are still multiple moving parts in coordinating the future of the pre-trial program and those things are still being researched. The meeting scheduled for October will be continued until January.

Program Audit will be held on Monday, October 22, 2018. There has not been an audit since Michael has taken over as Director.

Narcotic Canine Grant (Michael Nance) – the grant from Drug Free Boone County has been approved and accepted and BCCC will be getting a narcotic canine. The money will be available in the next few weeks but nothing will take place until after the first of the year as far as training goes. Training will be done in Indiana, rather than out of state like originally discussed.

Vincennes University Program (Michael Nance) There is a training/certificate program through Vincennes University here in Boone County that would offer motivated, underpaid and undertrained individuals the opportunity to get a certificate and make more money in a career. Michael and Kari and other individuals of the community have been working with Vincennes to try and target 20 clients that would benefit and be appropriate for this program. This is a 15 week program and some access to scholarships would be available. The program would be 5 days per week, 8 hours a day. Some discussion has been had about utilizing the work release block for housing so particular clients could go to school rather than work during the beginning of their work release commitment. This would be done on a case by case basis. If someone has a client that could potentially be a good fit it could be discussed with Kari at the time of referral for placement.

It is currently still a local rule/ requirement that anyone that removes/ cuts off a HD bracelet and absconds is not a recommended candidate for HD for five years – this is an internal policy due to the local rule set forth by the advisory board.

There is currently an advisory board meeting scheduled for December 17, 2018 if needed.