

SULLIVAN COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 22nd, 11:00 AM

Place: Newport, NH – 14 Main Street, State Court - County Administration Building, 1st Floor Commissioners Conference Room

AGENDA – Notes from meeting

1. Funding opportunities: Second Chance Act Family-Based Adult Offender Substance Abuse Treatment Program Application

Discussion notes: The County is applying for a SCA Family-Based Adult Offender Substance Abuse Treatment Program grant opportunity, the Board of Commissioners approved submitting the application at their last meeting, a draft letter of support would be e-mailed to the members, and, if there are no major changes to the document, the Chair will sign the letter and have it submitted with the application.

2. Review of the front end District Court Proposal

Discussion and notes: Supt. Cunningham, Suellen Griffin and Attorney Hathaway are working on how big a population and what it would cost; they are also identifying the MOP [multiple offender program] people, as well as DWI people too this comes with funding; Supt. Cunningham is trying to get Sullivan County Department of Corrections (DOC) as one site to do the MOP program – currently they are sending them to Berlin or Nashua; they will come up with numbers and report back to the CJCC and Commissioners, in hopes that they could lobby NH State HHS Commissioner, Nick Toumpas, to make Sullivan County DOC a MOP site.

3. Update on the Juvenile Justice

Discussion and notes: Liz Hennig distributed event notices of: Sat. Apr. 28th 10am-2pm *National Prescription Drug Take Back Day* [PDF attached] and May 3rd talks by Michael Nerney on working with children and teens affected by drug and alcohol abuse, leaders role in helping teens resist pressure and aim high, and getting young children off to the best possible start [PDF attached]. Ms. Hennig distributed a two page Judicial System Prevention Feb 2012 and March 2012 meeting minutes [PDF attached] –

highlighting on “Regional Suspension Center”. The group discussed the latter issue – need for and if they could create one.

4. Other business:

- a. Leadership NH – Criminal Justice and Families Day coming up April 12th at the County Unity Complex [See attached PDF of draft agenda]
- b. Supt. Cunningham noted DOC would be running a third “Telling My Story” program in collaboration with Dartmouth students – invitations will be sent to the CJCC members.
- c. No date was scheduled for the next meeting at this point.

Attendees: SCCJCC Chair Bennie Nelson, State Defense Attorney Jan Peterson, DOC Supt. Ross. L. Cunningham, Regional Network Coordinator Liz Hennig, Claremont Citizen Don Clarke, West Central Behavioral Health Service Executive Director Suellen Griffin, S.C. County Attorney Marc Hathaway, Sullivan County Superior Court Clerk of Court Jim Peale, Claremont District Court Judge Honorable John J. Yazinski