

# State Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

## Executive Committee

**Co-Chairs: Secretary Jon E. Litscher and Attorney General Brad D. Schimel**

### Meeting Minutes

Friday, December 15, 2017 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Department of Corrections – Secretary's Conference Room

<b>Members Present:</b>	Secretary Jon E. Litscher, State Public Defender Kelli Thompson, Lake Delton Police Chief Dan Hardman, Director of State Courts Randy Koschnick, Rock County District Attorney David O'Leary
<b>Members Not Present:</b>	Kewaunee County Sheriff Matt Joski, Attorney General Brad D. Schimel
<b>DOJ Staff:</b>	Matt Raymer, Sabrina Gentile, Mike Austin
<b>Other Attendees:</b>	Adam Plotkin-SPD, Megan Jones-DOC

### Welcome and Opening Comments

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Litscher @ 9:00 a.m.

### Roll Call

### Approval of Meeting Minutes

*Motion was made by Chief Dan Hardman and seconded by State Public Defender Kelli Thompson to approve the October 20, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.*

*Motion approved.*

*The vote was: 5 Ayes, 0 No*

### NIC Evidence-Based Decision Making Initiative Update

#### **EBDM Goals and Subcommittee Progress Report – Kelli Thompson, David O'Leary and Matt Raymer**

Matt Raymer reported that representatives from NIC attended the Legislative Briefing in October and were complimentary of the State and Local Team speakers. The Subcommittees and various workgroups are continuing their work on implementing the change target goals. The Local Teams are also moving forward on their change target goals.

Phase VI is scheduled to end in January but support is still needed from NIC for the State and Local Teams. A letter was sent to NIC on November 10 to request the same level of on-

site technical assistance for the State and Local Teams to implement their change target goals; more specific technical assistance for implementation of pretrial pilots; and, technical assistance for our state team to assist with the expansion of EBDM in Wisconsin. The letter was signed by the CJCC Co-Chairs, the State EBDM Chair and the State EBDM Vice-Chair.

Wisconsin has not received a reply from NIC and may have to wait until a federal budget is approved. All State and Local Teams will continue to work on implementation with or without technical assistance from NIC.

David O'Leary reported that a letter from the State EBDM Team was also sent to the Arnold Foundation to formally solidify our partnership on the implementation of the Public Safety Assessment. The letter was signed by himself and Kelli Thompson.

Kelli Thompson provided more details of the work being done by the subcommittees and the workgroups. Thompson acknowledged Denise Symdon, who is retiring in January. Thompson said Wisconsin is starting to develop a national reputation because of EBDM. Thompson said she was at a national conference in Washington DC and she received questions about EBDM and Pretrial in Wisconsin.

Secretary Litscher reported that he, Megan Jones, Rep. Schraa, Marquette County Sheriff Kim Gaffney, and Tracy Johnson, the DJC Psychologist Manager, attended the 50-State Summit on Public Safety, sponsored by the Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center and the Association of State Correctional Administrators in November. State and local leaders from all 50 states convened in Washington DC for the summit that prepared state leaders to develop effective solutions that elected officials at all levels of government can support to solve public safety challenges.

Litscher added that also in early 2018, the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) will provide support for up to 25 states to host a State Forum on Public Safety. Criminal justice experts from the CSG Justice Center or the Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) will travel to selected states to facilitate a data-rich public safety discussion between a broad cross-section of policymakers, criminal justice professionals, behavioral health practitioners, and advocates, and meet with state leaders to identify opportunities to increase public safety. The WI DOC has expressed interest in hosting a statewide forum.

### **EBDM Legislative Workgroup Discussion – Adam Plotkin**

Plotkin distributed a memo that outlines the structure, primary role and process for the legislative workgroup. The memo was developed with input from Mike Austin and Don Friske. Plotkin recapped why the legislative workgroup is needed.

The Executive Committee reviewed and discussed the legislative workgroup memo. The committee provided suggestions for the workgroup membership.

### **Motion to Approve Establishment/Creation of a Legislative Workgroup**

*Motion was made by District Attorney David O’Leary and seconded by State Public Defender Kelli Thompson to create a structure of a legislative workgroup. Motion does not include workgroup process.*

*Motion approved.*

*The vote was: 5 Ayes, 0 No*

### **Review of CJCC Agenda – Matt Raymer**

Raymer reviewed the CJCC Agenda and handouts. There will be subcommittee updates and then three presentations related to mental health and criminal justice initiatives. A survey was sent to the CJCC for member input of meetings. Only a few members filled out the survey so Raymer will ask the members to fill out the survey if they have not done so.

### **Next Steps and Future Meetings – Matt Raymer**

Raymer reported that we will try to have a more consistent quarterly meeting schedule in 2018. The 2017 Annual Report will be drafted shortly and reviewed at a future meeting. Adam Plotkin has suggested to include plans for 2018 in the 2017 Annual Report.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

*Motion was made by State Public Defender Kelli Thompson and seconded by District Attorney David O’Leary to adjourn the meeting.*

*Motion Approved.*

*The vote was: 5 Ayes, 0 No, 0 Abstain*

**Meeting adjourned @ 9:50 a.m.**