

Eaton County Community Corrections Advisory Board Meeting (CCAB)
January 19, 2022

Members Present:

Honorable Janice K. Cunningham, Honorable Julie A. O'Neill, Clint Auer, Prosecuting Attorney Doug Lloyd, Eaton County Commissioner Jeremy Whittum, John Boles, Defense Attorney Matthew Newburg, Steve Siegrist and Sheriff Tom Reich.

Members Absent: Honorable Thomas Byerley, Chief of Charlotte Police Department Paul Brentar, Sean Corbin,

Others Present: Melanie Achenbach-CCAB Director, Honorable John Maurer, Amanda Pollard Anne Howarth, Christy Richards, Elizabeth Hoogstra, Undersheriff Jeff Cook, Kathy Brooks, Peter Klein, Shelly Rasmussen, and Tyler Willison

Call to Order:

Honorable Janice K. Cunningham called meeting to order at 11:30 am.

Approval of October 21, 2020 minutes:

Honorable Janice K. Cunningham asked for a motion to approve the October 20, 2021 minutes as prepared. John Boles motioned to approve, Steve Siegrist seconded the motion, and the **motion passed** unanimously.

Action Item: Voting on FY22 Quarter 1 Report:

Eaton County is right on track with 25% enrollments. The 5-Day Housing reimbursement has 3 new enrollments, which is slightly lower than projected, but Community Corrections is continuously screening potential participants for that program. Honorable Janice K. Cunningham asked for a motion to approve the FY22 Quarterly Report. Prosecuting Attorney Doug Lloyd motioned to approve, Honorable Julie A. O'Neill seconded the motion, and the **motion passed** unanimously.

FY22 Scheduled CCAB meetings:

- April 20, 2022: Voting meeting on the FY22 Q2 Report and FY23 OCC Grant Application
- July 20, 2022: Voting meeting on the FY22 Q3 Report
- October 19, 2022: Voting meeting on the FY22Q4 Report

New Business:

Program Certification. SCAO will be observing staffing sessions and review hearings. SCAO's goal is that we are following best practices and will be talking individually with each Judge, CCAB director, case managers, and other team members.

Annual training – MATCP in Lansing, March 31 and April 1.

CCAB director, Melanie Achenbach wanted to thank the Sheriff's department for supporting the MOTO and Jail Cog program. We have had a 100% success rate so far for FY22 first quarter.

Prosecuting Attorney Doug Lloyd wanted to remind everyone to talk with Defense Attorneys to discuss with their clients about participating in a specialty court program. Defense Attorney Matthew Newburg mentioned that we have previously had this discussion, and suggested adding a field regarding the various Problem-Solving Courts in Eaton County to any forms used. Defense Attorney Matthew Newburg will reach out to Mr. Havis and educate them on what the criteria is for screening for a specialty court program. Defense Attorney Matthew Newburg will give us an update in April.

Eaton County Commissioner Jeremy Whittum asked if any area needed extra money to contact him, there are additional funds that could possibly be used elsewhere. Eaton County Commissioner Jeremy Whittum is available to talk with anyone as Chairman of the Board. Honorable Janice K. Cunningham stated that housing is one of the biggest issues in Eaton County. Eaton County Commissioner Jeremy Whittum says he is also working with Eatran regarding getting a more efficient system for transportation connections.

Eaton County Commissioner Jeremy Whittum suggested we attend the Health and Human Services Committee meeting held on the first Monday of each month from 9am-10:30am. There may be some resources that will help our Problem-Solving Courts. CCAB Director Melanie Achenbach will plan on attending the next meeting.

Specialty Courts Update:

ACDC – Christy Richards. During the first quarter of FY22, there were 9 participants admitted. Currently, there are 16 active participants with 12 anticipated phase advancements. There were 2 successful graduations during the first quarter of FY22, and there are 8 more anticipated graduations during FY22. We currently have 6 participants who have been screened and are pending admission into the program. Honorable Janice K. Cunningham mentioned that ACDC has received multiple letters of success from participants.

J. Sauter Veterans Treatment Court – Tyler Willison. CCAB Director, Melanie Achenbach introduced Tyler Willison who started in Community Corrections beginning of January, 2022. During the first quarter of FY22, there was 1 participant currently reporting, 1 participant currently in residential treatment, and 1 participant sentenced into the program, but currently serving their upfront jail sentence. There are currently 3 potential participants who have been screened for the program. Even though the Veterans Treatment Court admission numbers are down, the Prosecuting office has been a great asset in helping to screen potential participants to determine whether or not they qualify to enter the J. Sauter Veterans Treatment Court.

Felony DWI Court – Peter Klein. During the first quarter of FY22, there were 23 active participants. There were 6 participants admitted into the program and 2 successfully completed. We currently have a 100% successful completion rate and we anticipate 5 more participants will successfully complete the program in FY22. There has been a total of 11 phase advancements during the first quarter. We currently have 4 participants who have been screened and are awaiting sentencing. We were sorry to hear that Doug Jerzyk left as the Circuit Court agent, but has been replaced with Todd Brunner who will do a great job.

Swift & Sure – Tyler Willison. During the first quarter of FY22, there were 16 active participants with 2 participants successfully completing the program. There are currently 2 participants who have been screened and pending sentencing. We currently have a 100% successful completion rate, and we anticipate 4 more participants will successfully complete the program during FY22. Todd Brunner was the Circuit Court agent working with Swift & Sure. Because Agent Brunner has taken over the Felony DWI court, he was replaced by Agent Leslie Benoit, who will do a great job.

56-A District Hybrid Court – Anne Howarth. During the first quarter of FY22 there were 0 participants admitted. So far, during FY22, there have been 8 successful completions. The program has a 100% success rate. There are 4 participants who have been screened and awaiting sentencing. There are currently 29 active cases and 18 more anticipated graduations during FY22.

District Domestic Violence Court – Liz Hoogstra. During the first quarter of FY22 1 participant has been admitted. There are currently 3 participants who are awaiting sentencing. There are currently 22 active participants and 19 bench warrants for a total of 41 participants. There were 4 successful graduations and we anticipate there will be an additional 14 more participants who successfully complete the program during FY22.

Truancy Court – Amanda Pollard. During the first quarter of FY22, there has been 24 active participants with an 80% success rate. We are offering help through CMH and giving gas cards to help parents. We have had great success getting these kids back into school.

Meeting adjourned: 12:18 pm. Honorable Janice K. Cunningham asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Boles motioned to adjourn, Prosecuting Attorney Doug Lloyd seconded the motion.

Next Meeting:
April 20, 2022