

# CCA Board Meeting Minutes

## February 10, 2015

### Attendance:

**Board Members:** Judge Niemeyer, Judge Routson, Findlay Municipal Court, Director of Court Services Dave Beach; ADAMHS Executive Director, Precia Stuby; Clearview Services, Director Bernie Bushardt; Public Defender, Paul Maekask; Findlay Municipal Court, Judge Fry; County Sheriff, Michael Heldman; County Prosecutor, Mark Miller; Municipal Court, Judge Starn; Director of Court Services, Kim Switzer.

**Guests:** Asst. Chief Probation Officer, Patrick Brzozka; Chief Executive Officer of Century Health, Tina Pine; Open Arms Executive Director, Ashley Ritz; Asst. Public Defender, Ken Sass; WORTH Clinical Services Director, Chuck Honigford; ADAHMS Board Member, Carl Etta Capes; Century Health Criminal Justice Coordinator, Shanna Taylor; Juvenile Court, Judge Kristen Johnson; County Treasurer, J. Steve Welton; concerned citizen Tony Grotrian; Director of Worth, Brent Burke; Director OJFS, Diana Hoover; Forensic Team Leader, Brandy Tiell; University of Findlay Occupational Therapy, Miranda Tippie; Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Alex Treece; Veterans Service Officer, Nichole Coleman, and Assistant Law Director, Elliott Werth.

The CCA Board Meeting was held at the Hancock County Courthouse in the Jury Assembly Room.

### Call to Order and Approval of the Minutes:

Judge Niemeyer called the meeting to order and following introductions he requested the Board review the minutes from the meeting of September 9, 2014. The minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

### Community Corrections Act Updates:

- **Community Corrections Updates**

Assistant Chief Probation Officer Brzozka provided the following updates:

- ◆ **Website:** All Common Pleas Court and Community Corrections Board Meeting minutes, along with the updated Board Organizational Resolution/2013, reports and additional articles can be found on the court website. [www.co.hancock.oh.us/commonpleas](http://www.co.hancock.oh.us/commonpleas).
- ◆ **FY 14 Annual Report Snapshot:** We have exceeded goals for fiscal year 2014 as required by the State of Ohio.
- ◆ **Grants/FY15 Program Review:**
  - **Pretrial release/Bond/408/Intensive Supervision/407**

- Pretrial-Goal FY15 of 200 intakes \* Currently at 133 intakes, 66% of goal .  
Success rate to date 17.45% unsuccessful
- Intensive Supervision-Goal FY15 of 72 intakes  
\*Currently at 55 intakes, 76% of goal.  
Success rate to date 32.61% unsuccessful

Director Switzer noted that the statewide Intensive Supervision success rate is 25% the success rate is reflective of the addiction issues in our community. We hope to improve the success rate with the addition of residential services and drug court.

- **Probation Improvement Grant/PIG**
    - Added a full time probation officer
      - New officer conducting ORAS assessments, supervising basic offenders
    - Added the fourth full time forensic team position
    - Ending June 2015
  - **Forensic Team Report**-going along just fine. Will be fully staffed starting in March 2015. Working with roughly 185 clients right now (at felony court alone). 3 at APA. 6 at Findlay Municipal Court.
  - **FY 15 Budget Revisions Due March 30<sup>th</sup>**- to pay for anything treatment related, this is where a lot of Drug Court monies are coming from
  - **FY 16 Applications Due April 30th**
- **Hancock County Common Pleas Drug Court**  
Kim Switzer reported the following:
    - The board has not been completely assembled.
    - First Session; Judge Routson's Courtroom: February 17, 2015
    - Participation Handbook-draft is complete, but still in the process of being edited and finalized.
    - Level of Care Response will be very similar to the ASAM standards.  
Making sure the right level of treatment is being used.

#### **Old Business:**

- **Legislative Updates**  
Judge Routson reported the following:
  - Discussion of either added or shifted funds being moved in the DRC budget to one of the residential sanctions that are available to judges, more information to come. It will not be a halfway house or jail, but a facility for supervision, considered to be a hybrid between the two.
- **Domestic Violence Task Force**  
Ashley Ritz reported the following:

- Currently updating the Domestic Violence handbook protocol which has not been update since 1999. Task Force is continuing to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 4 p.m.
- **OH Job & Family Services; Forensic Case Manager Services Update**  
Diana Hoover reported the following:
  - Case workers are coming 2 weeks out of every month to work at Probation department to be readily available. They have recently picked up with the Ridge project, the number are increasing.
- **Hancock County Justice Center**  
Sheriff Heldman reported the following for Ryan Kidwell:
  - All Justice Center staff, Supervisors, and Administrators are completing a one day linkage grant training. The last session of this training will be completed February 20, 2015. Corrections line staff will be focused on effective authority, effective reinforcement, and effective disapproval in learning to work with these populations and how to be part of success in the shared framework. Corrections Supervisors will be learning about behavior that supports the cognitive behavior therapy components.
  - We continue to work with Emily Hurt, MA, LPC, Jail Based Family Therapist and Outreach from Century Health as we are finalizing the programming piece of the linkage grant. Groups have been established as per Century Health's review through the GAINS SS (screening for mental health and substance abuse) and ORAS (screening for criminal risk to reoffend). Century Health is also using SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment) for individuals they connect with who may have substance related charges but do not qualify for programming due to the fact they are assessed as being low risk.
  - Case management and Peer Support continue to be very active in working with individuals on discharge planning. Sara Wagner continues to provide a very valuable service through the performance of her daily task, crisis stabilization and working directly with case management, peer-support and Emily Hurt who is overseeing the programming piece.
  - Occupational Therapy also continues to provide a very valuable service through the U of F with Miranda Tippie supervising. Miranda and her OT team outside of programming time work very well in making referrals to Sara, case management, and peer support. They will also very likely be providing information to Emily Hurt. By having all the above services involved and understanding each other's roles helps us in providing a more complete wrap-around of services and ultimately programming and inmate success in lessening recidivism.
  - The new walk-thru scanner is ready to be shipped out; it will save officer's time by not having to strip search individuals going to and from programming's.
- **Hancock County Juvenile Court**  
Judge Johnson reported the following:
  - Recently added video conferencing to be able to do remote detention hearings; after being arrested it can be difficult for juveniles to get to court for their hearings. This will help eliminate travel and time for them.
- **Findlay Municipal Court**  
Judge Starn reported the following:

- 2014 case numbers were down slightly, drug abuse cases were up about 20%; OVI's were down about 10%, underage consumptions were down 20%.
- The renovations for the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor are narrowed down to 2 eligible contractors, now waiting on the proposals from both.
- Ultimate goal is twofold for the court; move current probation officers that are in the pretrial area over to where the police administration is now, instruct a urine station. Depending on the budgetary constraints, may add a small courtroom for future use by a magistrate.
- **Re-Entry Coalition Resources/Progress**  
Precia Stuby reported the following:
  - There is a significant emphasis on working with criminal justice and trying to make sure we have additional treatment staff to work with services in the prisons and increasing access to local jails. With the grants we have now I think we will be able to apply for more. The trauma learning community is at their half-way point; all of the teams are getting their coaching sessions. There are 10 teams representing 24 agencies. Treeline is open with their 12 bed residential treatment facility; any individual is to go thru Century Health to be screened for admission. We are working with the hospital regarding detox services and our regional group in NW Ohio to try and pull resources together to get a visit from the state of Ohio about leasing an old nursing home to use for regional detox.
- **Opiate Task Force**  
Precia Stuby reported the following:
  - The emphasis now is to have the review committee to review each death as a result of suicide or overdose to try and identify any patterns early on to ensure families that every person matters and if there is anything we can find that could shed light that we could do better or different.
- **Recovery Home Update**  
Precia Stuby reported the following:
  - About 300 people attended the meeting. We do still have funds for a second home; 1 for men and 1 for women.
  - Anyone with specific questions can email or call in and the board will be able to provide any clarification.

**New Business:**

- **Occupational Therapy Services University of Findlay**  
Miranda Tippie reported the following:
  - Occupational Therapy- supporting health (physical & mental) and building skills for participation in life through engagement in occupation. Occupation is your everyday activity. Have been at HC justice center for 4 years now– run a 5 week program (4 days a week) with males and females.
    - Week 1: Interpersonal communication
    - Week 2: Employment
    - Week 3: Financial Management
    - Week 4: Leisure (pro-social activities)
    - Week 5: Community resources/house/support

- Have been at Adult Probation for 2 years now to do 1 on 1 treatment sessions to build skills for productive and successfully daily living. Primarily the focus has been on financial management trying to pay off the fines.
  - Currently working with students at The University of Findlay who are researching for best practice, completing a literature review, and developing a program to address the needs of clients who are leaving jail who are “falling through the cracks”, those that are not linked to Adult probation or directly linked to Century Health. We are in the needs of 2 assessment stage and looking for any input to make this program a success.
  - Running groups 2 days a week at Treeline, assessment on executive functioning cognitive levels to add to the treatment program.
- **Hancock County Veterans Services**  
Nichole Coleman reported the following:
    - Will receive emails from Lieutenant Kidwell anytime there is a veteran in jail to go visit them.
    - The thing that is working well is the way the Adult Probation office refer clients. Referral packets have been very helpful in getting clients. It helps give a better picture to help those veterans out.
    - What we are looking for are those who show signs of PTSD, such as domestic violence, alcohol/drug abuse, try to catch it before further incidences.
- **Jail Assessment Status/Community Alternative Sentencing Center (CASC)**  
Judge Fry reported the following:
    - Last year Belmont County opened the 1<sup>st</sup> CASC. February 2014, 15 members from Hancock County went to visit the center.
    - Currently trying to get addicts to avoid jail and get them help.
    - OVI offenders in 2013: 231 incarcerated, 3,441 jail days served between those 231. Of those 231, 188 served from 8-10 days; 13 served from 21-30 days; 7 served from 30-60 days; 8 served 61-90 days; 3 served 91-120 days; 4 served 121-180 days.
    - Based off 2013 statistics 247 less defendants would have been incarcerated if there was a CASC. It would have freed up 3,616 jail days. Financially it would have saved \$152,040 based off the \$84/day.
    - Since September 2014, Judge Starn & Judge Fry Have been working on putting together a resolution to be passed by the legislation body that creates it and provides the total operation. Initial draft is complete into the resolution.
    - Where we are at now? We have sent out a plea to all the other disciplines for their input to put the final documents together to present it to the city council to consider it. By end of March, other disciplines will have drafts complete to put final pieces together. Once council approves it, it’s a matter of structurally and logistically creating it and getting it into operation.
  - **Presentation to Shanna Taylor, Century Health Inc.**
    - Judge Niemeyer presented a certificate to Shanna for her services to the Hancock County Justice Community.

**Next Meeting Date/Time:**

Judge Niemeyer announced the next CCA Board meeting would be held on **Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Hancock County Courthouse Jury Assembly Room.

**Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.**

**MATERIALS AVAILABLE AS HANDOUTS FROM MEETING**

- CCA Board Meeting Minutes September 9, 2014
- Hancock County Corrections Act Programs Annual Report 2014
- The University of Findlay Occupational Therapy Update
- Draft of the Drug Court Participant Handbook
- Local Correction Planning Boards (LCPB) handout
- Hancock County Veterans Service Packet
- ODRC 2014 Statistics
- Quarterly Performance Reports