

**Minutes of the Manitowoc County  
Criminal Justice Coordinating Council  
Executive Committee – Corrected 1/25/2023  
January 12, 2023 12:15 p.m.  
Manitowoc County Courthouse, Room 231**

Attendance: Supervisor James Falkowski, Vice Chair District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre, Attorney Ann Larson, Chair Judge Mark Rohrer, and Jennifer Zick.

Others in attendance: Pat Koppa, Nancy Slattery, Chief Paul Granger, Corp. Counsel Peter Conrad, Judge Jerilyn Dietz.

Call to order and roll call by Chair Judge Mark Rohrer at 12:25 p.m.

Chair Rohrer noted a report of a typographical error in the published minutes: the last line of paragraph 3 on page 2 should read “any other” and not “Andy other”. Supervisor James moved to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2022 meeting as corrected. District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

Chair Judge Rohrer asked for public comment.

Chief Paul Granger spoke indicating he was in attendance to discuss member participation at the meetings. Didn't realize the questions sent to Corporation Council would take the bulk of the meeting.

Nancy Slattery spoke. She worked through the League of Women Voters to encourage the creation of a council and has attended the majority of the meetings since 2014. In that capacity she has no qualms about having public participation being limited to a particular time, but very concerned that people do get to speak. Asks that scheduling the comment at the end of the meeting be considered, the way it is at the state meetings. Noted allowing comment when asked by a member to speak is also a good way to proceed. Reviewed some of the CJCC history from her perspective and why it is so important to respect the views of the public.

Public input was then closed.

Ellen Floate reported there are 17 drug court participants with one having just pled in. Another will in the near future. There are two participants in treatment. There will not be a graduation for some time.

Chair Judge Rohrer asked Corporation Counsel Peter Conrad to address the committee. Attorney Conrad noted that the County Board does not need to approve changes to Council Bylaws, but such changes must be reported to the Board. Additionally any changes must comply with the County Board rules. Those rules are subject to change with the seating of each County Board. If there are proposed changes to the Bylaws, this should go through the Executive Committee. Once in desired form, can be sent to Corporation Counsel for review prior to presentation to Council for adoption. Amendment is then reported to County Board.

Discussion continued with information on what constitutes input, including submission of documents to the Council members. As to agenda, it is at the discretion of the Chair or the Executive committee and then must be published as required for open meeting compliance. At the start of a meeting, it is possible to move items around with the consent of the group.

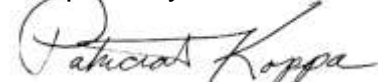
Responding to the fundamental question regarding the relation of the Council and the Board: The CJCC exists at the pleasure of the County Board. Its role is advisory. To see anything implemented, the suggestion would have to go through a standing committee. Action such as a letter of support for the TAD (“Drug Court”) grant is fine; that is actually work done by the Human Services Department. Ultimately, the County Board is able to direct membership, tasks, subcommittees, etc. as well as the authority to disband the Council.

The last discussion involved the subcommittees. Bylaws provide that the Executive Committee can create subcommittees. Reviewed history of Pretrial services group. This is the only subcommittee. Attorney Larson noted her desire to create a new subcommittee to examine full and fair access to courts. Will put this on next month’s Executive Committee agenda. Also might be good to have a group review the bylaws. Attorney Larson noted desire to have law enforcement represented on the Executive Committee; a representative has not been chosen in the last several elections.

Attorney Conrad suggest this would indeed be workgroups, but open meeting rules must still be followed; some minutes must be published. Ms. Slattery pointed out there were originally 3 subcommittees in November of 2014. Should review the old minutes.

District Attorney LaBre moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Attorney Larson. Adjourned at 01:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Koppa

Council Secretary (based in part upon notes from Judge Jerilyn Dietz)

State CJCC meetings: posted at <https://cjcc.doj.wi.gov/events/2023-02>

Secretary note: the Manitowoc Youth Initiative **Intervention** Network (MYIN) group is also considered a subcommittee as the Youth Justice arm of CJCC even though it existed first.