



Waukesha County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council Case Processing Committee Minutes Thursday, December 3, 2020

Team Members Present:

Sue Opper	Monica Paz	Paul Crawford
Michael Neimon	David Herring	Hon. Paul Bugenhagen
Michelle Larsuel		

Team Members Absent:

Chris Ehrfurth

Others Present:

Rebecca Luczaj	Janelle McClain	Brittany Marin
Chris Bailey	Neil Dussault	Tyler Brandt

Neimon called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

Approve Minutes from October 29, 2020 Meeting

Motion: Larsuel moved, Paz second, to approve the Case Processing Committee minutes of October 29, 2020.
Motion carried without a negative vote.

Discuss and Consider Committee Membership Changes

Motion: Paz moved, Bugenhagen second, to replace Chris Ehrfurth with Chris Bailey, Private Bar attorney.
Motion carried without a negative vote.

Motion: Paz moved, Bugenhagen second, to replace Captain Michelle Larsuel with Captain Neil Dussault.
Motion carried without a negative vote.

Crawford and Herring arrived at 7:35 a.m.

Overview of Waukesha County Case Processing Statistics

Brandt has been tracking case filings and dispositions. He gave the following statistics for Waukesha County:

- Total backlog of 856 dispositions (behind in criminal cases, but ahead in civil cases)
 - Behind 602 felony dispositions
 - Average 1,700-1,800 felony dispositions a year
- Typically, Waukesha County is operating at a .98 disposition rate, but lately it has been .82
 - For every 5 cases filed, Waukesha County is falling behind by 1 case
- Operational Percentage (number of events)
 - Judges: 105% last week
 - Commissioners: 98% last week
 - If traffic cases are removed, it is closer to 100%

Brandt stated that, despite the backlog of cases caused by the pandemic, Waukesha County appears to be doing better than other comparable counties in clearing cases.

Opper reminded the group that everyone is doing the best they can with the information and tools they have. It will take time to get back to where the courts were prior to the pandemic. There are some counties still not doing jury trials, so we are in a better position.

Announcements

Crawford reported that State Public Defender (SPD) staff will be available by the end of the month to conduct Zoom interviews with defendants to determine SPD representation eligibility.

Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Video court appearance pilot update
- Pretrial conferences and traffic calendar updates from C/T judges' meeting on December 15
- Update regarding defense attorneys being able to access defendants' contact information through CCAP

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjourn

Motion: Bugenhagen moved, Paz second, to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.