CJCC - DIVERSION/OWI SUB-COMMITTEE
JULY 9, 2026

ATTENDEES: Ms. Jillian Pfeifer, Mr. Mike Fugle, Ms. Sara Tienhaara, Ms. Beth Hoerchler, Ms. Mary Rideout, Ms. Katelyn Black, Ms. Annette Zortman, Mr. Tyler Young, Ms. Anna Benzschawel, DOC Program Policy Analyst, Honorable Mary M. Sowinski

1. Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Diversion/OWI Sub-Committee was brought to order at 12:00 p.m. by Ms. Sara Tienhaara. Tienhaara noted that the meeting had been properly posted and mailed in accordance with Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws.

2. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Ms. Beth Hoerchler, seconded by Mr. Tyler Young to approve the agenda as posted. All ayes; motion carried.

3. Review Minutes from the May 14, 2026 CJCC Diversion/OWI Sub-Committee Minutes: Motion by Ms. Beth Hoerchler, seconded by Mr. Tyler Young. All ayes; motion carried

4. Update from the Treatment Court Conference: Ms. Annette Zortman and Ms. Dawn Susa attended the conference. They attended different breakout sessions to obtain more information. One session looked at phase structure and ours is very similar. We need to look at our phases as we advance through phases. Other thing we need to do look at is data tracking and looking to see where we are at with the benchmark tracking. Ms. Mary Rideout and Ms. Beth Hoerchler also attended part of the conference but their focus was on the grant portion. Honorable Mary M. Sowinski attended and she felt it was helpful for her to talk to with other Judges to see how their treatment court is going.

5. Oneida's Commitment to Treatment Alternatives and Diversion Programs: We are looking at doing a Hybrid Treatment Court that could do substance use and OWI. A decision has not been made on how it will be structured. Once the grant is approved, we then have to talk about what the Hybrid Treatment Court looks like. In addition, Ms. Beth Hoerchler will have to go to the County Board to ask for match funds from the Opioid Dollars. Need to have commitment from this group and CJCC.

   DA Office concerned about a Hybrid Treatment Court due to lack of staffing. Discussion regarding staffing always being an issue in some form. Will need to work through those issues. Should this be re-addressed with the CJCC for support?

   Ms. Anna Benzschawel, DOC Program Policy Analyst was present to discuss changes to the OWI Contract and if we are able to reduce the BAC requirement or remove it. In addition, discussed contracting with Justice Point, which would increase our case management cost but data would be better tracked. Contracting with Justice Point would still be within our budget. We need to make sure we are on the same page with what we are wanting. We would need everything in writing for the DOC to review. Reducing the BAC or removing it, we will still require people to be high risk, which would be screened to determine risk level. We need to have this added to the CJCC agenda for approval.

Justice Point: Still be within our budget. Request for funding would not go up; case management cost would go up and data would be better tracked.

6. TAD Grant Update: The grant pre-application has been submitted for 2027 to continue Diversion and start a Hybrid Treatment Court, which will be separate from OWI Court at this time.

7. Data Sharing for OWI: We currently cannot use what Justice Point is using for data collection. We will continue with what we are doing.

8. Diversion Program Update – JusticePoint: The committee reviewed Diversion Program statistical information. Also reviewed the Diversion Program Newsletter. The Newsletter will be given to County Board Supervisors.
    a. Update No Contact Procedures: The revised procedure was reviewed.

9. Public Outreach: Peer Support will work on getting donations for incentives for OWI.

10. Agenda Items for future meetings:
    - Update on Outreach

11. Public Comment: No public present.

12. Adjourn: 12:47 p.m.

Ms. Sara Tienhaara — July 9, 2026