

**Decatur County Community Corrections Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes**

Date: March 14, 2025

Time: 12:00

Place: Court Services Conference Room

Members Present: Judge Tim Day, Rebecca Six, Abby Harry, Matt Hoeing, Ashley Hungate, Gracie Maxwell (representing Jeramiah McAdams, Brittany Stewart, Jennifer Sturges, Tony Blodgett, Sheriff Meyerrose, Assistant Chief Derek Fasnacht (Representing Chief Mike McNealy), Nathan Harter IV, Judge Matthew Bailey, Dr. Jarrod Burns (educational administrator), Desiree Moore

Members not present: Denise Burton, Jaspreet Gill, Nick Wallpe, Brett Abplanalp, Chief Mike McNealy

Meeting was called to order by Judge Tim Day at noon.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Sheriff Meyerrose and seconded by Jennifer Sturges. Motion was carried with unanimous approval.

Abby Harry gave report for Court Services.

Project Income Balance: \$87,533.78

CTP Balance: \$16,500.00

Abby reported that there are currently 34 post-conviction clients being monitored through community corrections. The new monitors have greatly reduced alarms and there have been less issues with keeping the monitors charged.

There was no old business to report.

Scheduled meetings for 2025 will be June 6, Sept 5, and December 5, and unless otherwise advised would meet in the EMA Conference Center.

Judge Day stated that the pretrial policy had been updated and submitted to board members for this meeting to serve as the first reading to be able to update the pre-trial policy.

Judge Day gave a brief overview of where our policy originated, Rush County, and the initial purpose of the pre-trial process, prison overcrowding. He proceeded to give a more in-depth explanation of the process and why it is so important to the judicial system and the community to have the information collected during the process.

Judge Bailey, as a member of the sub-committee that worked to update the policy, explained some of the updates and the reasoning behind the decisions made when writing the updated policy. Making notes of specific carve outs for certain charges and their level of satisfaction about the new bond schedule that was recently adapted. He also stated his concerns about pre-trial supervision.

Judge Day thanked Abby Harry for her work on getting the new updated policy written and ready for this meeting to serve as the first reading allowing for a vote at the next meeting should there be no questions or concerns.

There were a couple of questions regarding verbiage referencing the specific bond schedule, 2025, and if that would require continued approval of the pre-trial policy for every time the bond schedule would change. As the bond schedule isn't required to be updated at any specific intervals, it was noted that wouldn't necessarily be an issue, but should the rule regulating pre-trial change the policy would need to be revisited.

The next order of business was grant approval by the board. The grant request will be the same as last year with probation requesting \$56,700 and community corrections requesting \$182,700.


Judge Bailey gave a brief overview of the numbers and the origin of the grant's numbers.

Tony Blodgett asked if there had ever been a request made taking the inflation rate into consideration and how that would look for the grant. Matt Hoeing stated that was not something that had been pursued. He let Tony know that part of that stemmed from the lack of new money available and a general understanding of the process.

Tony Blodgett made a motion to approve the grant application, seconded by Nate Harter the IV. The motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tony Blodgett and seconded by Rebecca Six. This motion was unanimously carried.

Reviewed by:



Matt Hoeing
Secretary/Treasurer