

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Approved Minutes

DATE: January 22, 2001

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: West Olive Administration Building

PRESENT: Gordon Schrottenboer, Joyce Kortman, Robert Rinck, Philip Kuyers, Cornelius Vander Kam

ABSENT: Jane Ruiter

STAFF: Robert Oosterbaan, Administrator; Dale Vrederveld, Undersheriff; Gary Rosema, Sheriff; Joseph Kozakiewicz, Friend of the Court; Jack Plakke, Circuit Court Administrator; Rosemary Zink, Finance Director; Rich Schuurkamp, Human Resources Director; Greg Rappleye, Legal Counsel; Sherri Sayles, Deputy Clerk

SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

CJ 01-001 Motion: To approve the Minutes of the November 27, 2000 meeting as presented and to approve the agenda of today as presented.

Moved by: Rinck Supported by: Vander Kam UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: ELECTION OF COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIR

CJ 01-002 Motion: To nominate and cast an unanimous vote for Jane Ruiter as Vice-Chairperson of the Criminal Justice Committee.

Moved by: Kortman Supported By: Rinck UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Introduction of Joseph Kozakiewicz, Ottawa County Friend of the Court and some updates on new activities in the Friend of the Court. - Jack Plakke introduced Joseph Kozakiewicz. Joe went over some of his goals. One goal is to tell clients every tool available is being used to collect child support including license restriction such as driver's, hunting, etc. Another new tool is a new law in the State which furnishes bank account numbers and social security numbers so FOC can access these accounts throughout the Country. A new telephone system has been setup through the computer so clients can access their own information 24 hours a day. Starting February 15th, centralized

collections will be done through Lansing. The first step will have employers send their checks to Lansing. The State has 48 hours to get them electronically transferred to local FOCs. Clients may be waiting an extra day for their checks. It was requested that a summary of the annual report that is sent to the State as well as other reports be furnished to this Committee.

2. General Discussion regarding the responsibilities and duties of the Criminal Justice Committee. - The Chair wanted to get a consensus on facility, services and personnel of Law Enforcement. Gary Rosema commented that the facility opened its second phase in 1999. Very few complaints. About 4 or 5 months ago, a Facility Focus Group started meeting to discuss eliminating the Grand Haven Jail facility. Services continue to always be a focus along with strong substance abuse programs. Personnel related issues - ongoing work with Rich Schuurkamp and Dale Vredeveld. Reevaluating administration levels in the Sheriff's Department. A little disappointed with the level of services offered at the jail by CMH. Bob Oosterbaan said this is a national problem not just a problem in Ottawa County. Jail setting really needs a full-time person for doing mental health evaluations. Requested Ronald Frantz and court representation to be present at the next meeting to update on court issues. Bob Oosterbaan suggested touring the Grand Haven Courts and jail and walk through the current jail. Next meeting to be scheduled in Grand Haven. March meeting to have presentation by Jon Overway. Joyce suggested issues brought up at committee meetings should continue on agendas until issues are resolved.

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.