

**Minutes of the July 8, 2026 Meeting of the Sawyer County
Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee
of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Board Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

1. ☒ Julia Lyons
2. ☒ Judge Elaine Smith- Virtual
3. ☐ Dave Dixon- Excused
4. ☒ Mike Markgren
5. ☐ Mike Woller- Excused
6. ☐ Lorraine Gouge- Absent
7. ☐ Doug Mrotek- Excused
8. ☐ Bruce Poquette- Absent
9. ☒ Katie Belanger- Virtual
10. ☐ Judge John Yackel- Absent
11. ☒ Marc Helwig
12. ☒ Judge Monica Isham
13. ☒ Marshal Savitski
14. ☒ Kathy McCoy
15. ☐ Bill Trepanier- Absent
16. ☒ Amanda Lokker- Virtual

Others Present:

Liz Klein
Becky Barry- Virtual
Leslie Strapon
Kristi Kare
Sari Torstenson
Jess Bjork- Virtual

Call to Order—Chair Lyons called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call was taken. Quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda – Truancy & Diversion report tabled to August

Public Comments – None

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: June 10, 2026

Motion to approve made by: Mr. Savitski

Second by: Mr. Helwig

Motion carried without negative vote.

CJCC Executive Committee Report— The Executive Committee did not meet in June; a meeting is set for the end of July. A draft of CJCC Updated Bylaws will be forthcoming.

Jail Report-- A written jail report for June was provided, with arrest data by race and gender. There was an average of 59 inmates incarcerated with a 68% unemployment rate at the time of booking, 1 on electronic monitoring. Judge Isham stated that 11 new arrests occurred over the past week, with discussion about normal trends for summer months.

Justice Point—

Ms. Barry updated the committee on Justice Point. There were 113 active Pretrial clients, 10 Diversion clients, and 3 active Treatment Court clients in June.

Deflection—A \$740,000 federal Rural Communities Opioid Response Program grant was submitted; if awarded, the grant will cover funding for the Deflection program and requires no County matching funds.

Five staff members are attending AllRISE in Nashville in July, funded by Opioid Settlement Funds.

HHS—

Youth Justice--

The Truancy & Diversion Lookback report presentation was tabled to August.

Behavioral Health, Community Support & Mobile Crisis, and Public Health reports were provided.

The committee discussed a recent youth shooting fatality and positive alternative activities for youth to keep them safe and active. A grant-funded YMCA would benefit the community and will be investigated.

Community Services Updates- None

Outside Committee Reports – None

Correspondence, reports from conferences and meetings – None

Future Agenda Items – Set designees for judges, Truancy & Diversion Report, Executive Committee 2027 Budget Input

Meeting adjourned at 12:54 pm

Next Meeting: August 12, 2026 Time: 12:00 pm

Location: Board Room

Minutes recorded by Liz Klein, County Clerk