

**Minutes of the July 9, 2025 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. ☒ Non-voting member Chair: Monica Isham
2. ☒ Vice Chair: Julia Lyons
3. ☐ Grant Gerber- Absent
4. ☒ Mike Markgren
5. ☐ Mike Woller- Absent
6. ☐ Tweed Shuman- Absent
7. ☒ Doug Mrotek
8. ☒ Bruce Poquette
9. ☒ Katie Belanger
10. ☐ John Yackel- Absent
11. ☒ Marc Helwig- Virtual
12. ☒ Elaine Smith
13. ☒ Marshal Savitski
14. ☐ Kathy McCoy- Absent
15. ☐ Bill Trepanier- Absent

Others Present:

Liz Klein
Ron Kinsley
Sari Torstenson
Kristi Kare
Leslie Strapon
Becky Barry

Call to Order –Ms. 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 – Set

Public Comments – None

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: June 11, 2025

Motion to approve made by: Ms. Lyons

Second by: Mr. Savitski

Motion carried without negative vote.

Jail Report--

Sheriff Mrotek reviewed a written jail report for June with arrest data by race and gender. There was an average of 61 inmates incarcerated with an 73% unemployment rate at the time of booking. Judge Isham thanked jail staff for handling difficult situations.

Justice Point—

Ms. Barry presented written reports and updated the committee on the following Justice Point programs:

Pre-Trial has 85 active clients, Diversion has 11 active clients and Treatment Court has 8 active clients.

Deflection works with Law Enforcement on pre-arrest to post-release services.

Justice Point will have a table at National Night Out on Aug 5 and is looking for more events for outreach; Mr. Kinsley recommended Trout Fest and a circus at the County Fairgrounds.

Reaching Rural will continue to offer elements of programming despite funding being cut. There is no update on Building Bridges. DOJ grants are frozen/under review but have not been canceled so far.

A list of jail programs was provided; the literacy program, GED, Native language courses, 12 Bible studies, NA and AA are available to inmates.

Ms. Barry presented information on TCU Drug Screen 5 that is recommended by DOJ and will be required for MAT programs and requested CJCC approval to switch from the UNCOPE assessment currently in use.

Motion to approve switching to TCU by: Mr. Helwig
Motion carried without negative vote.

Second by: Mr. Savitski

HHS--

Youth Justice— Ms. Lyons reported that the Truancy and Diversion worker started in June and is meeting with school leaders and organizing outreach at events to reach parents.

Public Health—The June Substance Misuse report was shared; outreach included National Overdose Day Awareness, vaping billboards, marching in the Musky Fest parade, Narcan distribution at events and on buses, radio and a poster campaign on “Not Your Grandparents Weed.”

Discussion on hanging posters in the Courthouse bathrooms.

Judge Smith gave an update on the LCO MOU and stated it was on her list for the newly seated TGB to consider in upcoming meetings.

Community Services Updates— None

Outside Committee Reports – None

Correspondence, reports from conferences and meetings –

The CJCC Executive Committee met and reviewed the goals prioritized in the committee survey: MAT in the jail with a full time nurse, mental health services in the jail, Youth Justice and Truancy, hiring a full time grant writer, jail-to-work transition services, a strategic plan, NA/AA programming, a County treatment facility, and working with educators were the top concerns.

Future Agenda Items –SC-LCO MOU Renewal, add LCO REPORT and EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE standing agenda items, appoint new TGB liaisons to CJCC.

Adjournment – 12:40 pm

Next Meeting: August 13, 2025

Time: 12:00 pm

Location: Board Room

Minutes recorded by Liz Klein, County Clerk