

WINNEBAGO COUNTY SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE - MINUTES

DATE: Friday, September 26, 2025

TIME: Noon

LOCATION: **BR III – 2nd floor, room 240**

Voting Members PRESENT: Judge Bryan Keberlein, Jon Bellows, Amy Geffers, Eric Sparr, Brian Defferding (departed at 12:41 p.m.), John Matz, Rep. Lori Palmieri, Desiree Bongers

Also PRESENT: Avry Hammen, Morgan Hoffman, Ashlee Rahmlow, Melissa Rasmussen, Erica Roberts, Tara Notzke, Alfredo Vera Perez

AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 12:05 p.m. by Judge Keberlein.
2. Approve agenda – Motion to approve – Bellows; second - Defferding; all in favor, motion carried.
3. Approve minutes of last meeting – No discussion needed. Motion to approve - Sparr; second - Bellows; all in favor, motion carried.
4. A moment of silence was observed in remembrance of Amanda Tennyson.
5. Public Comments – Judge Keberlein noted that everything in these programs is important and it's necessary to continue them.
6. Updates and possible action on:
 - a. **Safe Streets:**
 - i. **Drug Court** (report submitted by Jen Delfosse)
Numbers (Updated as of 9/18/25)
Phase 1 – 8
Phase 2 – 2
Phase 3 – 6
Phase 4 – 4
Total active participants: 20
Total graduates: 198
Pending referrals: 2
Total Community Service (CS) hours: 46,774
- We just had a commencement ceremony for three more graduates on 7/31. Our next scheduled graduation ceremony is on 1/8. We have the graduation ceremony at 10am, with a reception afterwards right at the courthouse. It will again be in person, with a Zoom option offered as well. We hope you can attend either in person or virtually.
- The entire team has done 2 full day virtual trainings twice since the last meeting hosted by All Rise - "Operational Tune Up and Incentives and Sanctions" were the trainings. We now have an action plan we are working on to implement some of the things learned in these trainings.

- We had our annual alumni/mentor group picnic last week and it went really well! We had a better turnout than expected, including many many graduates of the program. The participants have been raving about the event and requesting more gatherings like this in the future.
- Lastly, we have two dates for speaking at OWHS for this semester and Judge and I are planning on speaking for the FVTC course again this semester as well.

ii. Jail Reintegration (Amy Geffers)

See attachment for statistics.

iii. STAR Program (Melissa Rasmussen)

See attachment for report. Jail population is currently very high. Rasmussen reported that one person who had been in the program said it saved his life and he went to Solutions Recovery upon release.

iv. 24/7 Alcohol (Amy Geffers)

See attachment for statistics.

v. 24/7 Drug (Amy Geffers)

See attachment for statistics. There was an overdose outside of her office and he was revived.

vi. Connect (Amy Geffers)

See attachment for statistics. Overdose deaths are down but suicides are up.

vii. SSTOP (Tara Notzke)

Notzke noted that there are more males than females. For those who complete the program, only 23% recidivism vs 44% for those who don't complete it.

OPEN SSTOP

	Totals	Percentage
Males	32	69.57%
Females	14	30.43%
Total	46	

TRTMT VS EDUCATION	Trtmt	Education	% Trtmt	% Education
Males	10	10	31.25%	31.25%
Females	8	2	57.14%	14.29%

	2nd	3rd
OWI	40	5

CLOSED SSTOP

	Total	Percentage
Males	1179	74.34%
Females	407	25.66%
Total	1586	

	2nd	3rd
OWI	875	708

D/C Status	R	Percentage	D	Percentage
Males	245	79.80%	912	73.02%
Females	62	20.20%	337	26.98%
Total	307		1249	

	R	Percent of Reoffenses	D	Percent of Reoffenses
Total	135	43.97%	287	22.98%

Total CS Completed	45940.2
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viii. Teen Court (Amy Geffers)

No participants in teen court since February. Defferding is on the Resolution Center, Inc. board and they are looking at restorative justice with teens.

b. District Attorney Diversion Programs (Eric Sparr)

9/19/22/2025								
	Active	Pending Offers	Extension Pending	Pending Offers-Warrant	Pending Dismissal	Pending Revo's	Pending Revo's Warrant	TOTALS
Pre-Charge Misdemeanor	36	4						40
Pre-Charge Felony	11	1						12
Pre-Charge Drug								0
Pre-Charge Worthless Check	2							2
Total Number of Precharge Agreements	49							
Post-Charge Misdemeanor	131	9		1		15	15	171
Post-Charge Felony	38	5				3	1	47
Child Support	1						2	3
SOAR Phase 2	1					2	1	4
Total Number of Post Charge Agreements	171							
GRAND TOTALS	220	19	0	1	0	20	19	279
Post Charge Mental Health Court DAA	4							
High Frequency	11	5				10		
Total Active with MH & HFO	235	24						

Overall participation is 60 higher than last year, not sure why. SOAR funding is ending, unclear if the effectiveness justified the expense.

c. Mental Health Court (Amy Geffers for Judge Gibbs)

Would like to increase participation. Switched court to Thursdays from Fridays.

d. Breakwater -formerly WCDAC (Ashlee Rahmlow)

Prevention- focused youth groups currently being held at Vel Phillips, Boys & Girls Club, and Oshkosh North. ONHS group is led by a student who partnered with Breakwater last year while she participated in Oshkosh Communities North. Kaytlin Kuettner, Coordinator, was awarded the Leaders of a Brighter Future: Outstanding Young Adults Advocate for Substance Use Prevention Award at the WI Substance Use Prevention Conference

e. Public Health (Ashlee Rahmlow)

9/20/25 marked one year since installation of the Public Health Vending Machines. Data is being compiled to put into a short report, which will be shared. Commonly taken items have been Narcan, lock bags, hygiene kits, and gun locks. Increasing Narcan availability throughout the Neenah area by working with community leaders, organizations and businesses to install NaloxBoxes throughout the community. Installation to happen throughout the fall. Public Health has continued to provide services to lifepoint clients and added Xylazine Test Strips back into the program through a grant with the State of WI DHS.

f. Lifepoint

Dashboard: <https://www.winnebagoountywi.gov/346/Public-Health-Vending-Machines>

g. Step Up (Chee Vang, absent)

No updates at this time.

There was a general discussion about evaluating the programs to determine their effectiveness. Could UWO assist with an assessment? Budgets keep getting tighter, so there's a need to figure out which programs to keep, tweak, or cut. Departments are already trying not to duplicate efforts between themselves. Judge Keberlein suggested forming a committee or task force to determine funding sources and metrics for each program to measure success. He will lead it, and Rahmlow, Matz (or his designee), Bellows and Sparr volunteered to assist.

7. New Business

- a. The committee reviewed the roster of voting members and made corrections.
- b. There was discussion of setting up an email list for Drug Court announcements.

8. Next Meeting – Friday, January 9, 2026. Noon, Branch III Courtroom – 2nd floor, room 240.

➤ **PIZZA for 1/9/26 meeting – DA Sparr**

➤ Upcoming pizza rotation schedule:

- Renee Soroko, DHS
- Judge Keberlein
- County Executive Hintz
- Judge Gibbs
- Sheriff Matz

9. Adjourn – Meeting concluded at 12:55 pm.

Upon request, provisions will be made for people with disabilities upon 24 hours prior notice to the Office of the County Clerk. Phone Number: 920-232-3430

****This meeting is also being posted as a committee meeting for:
Judiciary & Public Safety
Emergency Management
Facilities & Property Management**