

MINUTES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
Clark County

Department of Juvenile Justice Services
Zenoff Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101
March 4, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Advisory Members Present: Tom Maroney, Josephine Bonomo, David Doyle, Anthony York, Tiffany Tyler by phone, Leisa Moseley by phone, Robert Henry by phone, Louise Helton by phone, and Lisa Hibbler by phone

Advisory Members Absent: Ronell Mann, Pat Nelson (excused)

Guest: John Martin, Patrick Schreiber, Catherine Jorgenson, Stacey Welling, and Satonya Boyd

I. Call to Order at 9:01 am.

II. Public Comments

- No comments.

III. Approval of February 4, 2015 Minutes

- Members approved the February 4, 2015 Minutes.

IV. Approval of Agenda

- Members approved the agenda.

V. Receive the Director's Report on the Activities of the Department of Juvenile Justice Services (DJJS) and inform Committee Members

- **Budget** - John Martin, Director stated that the Department of Juvenile Justice Services (DJJS) second halfway house was approved by the Clark County Commissioners on March 3, 2015.
- **Personnel Update** - Mr. Martin stated that Patrick Schreiber, Assistant Director, approved twelve new cadets for the POST Academy that starts March 16, 2015. Four positions were requested for DJJS: Manager, two Juvenile Probation Officers, and an Eligibility Specialist. Justifications were written for these.
- **Legislature** - Mr. Martin stated that legislation is discussing the AB153 Sexually Exploited Bill; AB213 regarding youth that have been certified is being tracked; and AB 178 which governs the discipline of pupils.
- **Assessment Center** -March 9th – March 13th 2015 Mr. Schreiber will be attending a conference in Washington DC with the City of Las Vegas and LVMPD staff regarding the Assessment Center. Mr. Martin will be meeting with the Sheriff about the Assessment Center concept. He believes Metro is a vital component to the success of the proposal. Once the idea is vetted by the major stakeholders Mr. Martin will explore a high level meeting to move the proposal forward.
- **Juvenile Justice Programming** - The Evening Reporting Center (ERC) is scheduled to open on July 1, 2015. The ERC will be taking approximately thirty-

forty youth at the local level. This will be the youth's last chance to get it together. Youth will be picked up from school; a meal will be served, and there will be great programs. ERC is under Probation and will be managed by Jodi Lupo.

- SMYC Basketball and Wrestling Championship - Our SMYC youth beat the Alamo, Nevada youth by thirty points. Our youth placed second and fourth in wrestling.
- A health and wellness program will be at SMYC with a boxing element to it. We would like to run this program all year around.

Motion made by committee members to move up item nine d Catherine Jorgenson, Deputy DA

Catherine Jorgenson, Deputy DA went over the Nevada Open Meeting Law Outline Handout. Made points about what are the responsibilities for the Citizens Advisory Committee. Members should feel free to speak their mind. Ethics was briefly discussed. Violation of the Nevada Open Meeting Law can be done by electrical communication if more than two members are involved.

VI. Legislation Issues/Topics - Review and update from committee, discuss, and take possible action.

- Catherine Jorgenson, Deputy DA informed committee members if they want to support the Director of the Department of Juvenile Justice Services they can each write a letter and it can be presented to the Board of Commissioners at the Policy and Fiscal Affairs.

VII. Assessment Center – Review and update from committee, discuss, and take possible action.

Mr. York stated that the Citizens Advisory Committee Members would like to assist in any way to ensure the success of the Assessment Center. Mr. Martin stated maybe we can approach some of these large philanthropists as players and resources. Dr. Lisa Hibbler and Dr. Tiffany Tyler have been helpful. Mr. Martin is not ready to take this to the county commissioners right now. Josephine Bonomo from Clinical Services will be helpful with this process with regards to mental health issues.

VIII. Media Handout - Review and update from committee, discuss, and take possible action.

Motion made for Citizens Advisory Committee Members to approve the media handout.

Thanks to Stacey Welling.

IX. Informational Items

a. Announcements

No announcements

b. Other information that may be of interest to the Committee and the public

Mr. Martin stated that he disagreed with the Chief of Staff regarding the Red Rock Academy. Mr. Martin will be making unannounced visits to check on the safety of the youth. All camps where youth are should be graded on the same standards.

Mr. Martin said that he has failed to train new Supervisors. Most of our old Supervisors are out in the field. We are now creating a curriculum for staff transitioning to be Supervisors. This curriculum should be up and running in about a month.

c. Membership/Ordinance – Reminder that memberships will expire June 2015.

Mr. Maroney indicated that there had been some discussions in the past to reduce the quorum size. To date the eleven membership positions have been filled.

There are membership terms that will expire in June 2015. If you are interested in remaining on the board please complete an application and email it to:

<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/Depts/jjs/Documents/Policy%20and%20Fiscal%20Affairs%20Board/brdapplications2.pdf>. The original needs to be mailed to:

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X. Identify emerging issues to be addressed by the committee at future meetings

- Citizens Advisory Committee Members want to know how China Spring is funded versus Spring Mountain Youth Camp (SMYC). There is disproportionate funding. Catherine Jorgenson, Deputy DA stated that committee members need to individually draft letters to legislation about this to make it more effective.
- Stacy Welling with Clark County Communications stated that it is best to send positive things that the youth do at the Department of Juvenile Justice Services out on social media. Clark County maintains a Facebook page.

XI. Public Comments

- Visitor, Roberta Miranda introduced herself. She has a mental health counseling service where training and a variety of other services are provided. She can be reached at 702-204-3609 or you may email her at rmiranda@circlemeetsquare.com

Next Meeting – (April 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m., Director’s Office Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101)

XII. Adjournment

Adjourned at 10:20 am