

**MINUTES**  
**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)**

Clark County

Department of Juvenile Justice Services

Director's Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101

November 2, 2016 at 9:00am to 11:00am

**Advisory Members Present:** David Doyle, Robert Henry, Dr. Tiffany Tyler (phone), Charla Vieira, Josephine Bonomo, Ricardo Villalobos, Dr. Robert Henry, and Anthony York

**Advisory Members Absent:** Lisa Morris-Hibbler (excused), Dominika Washington (excused), Leisa Moseley, and Kelli Kristo

**Ex-officio Member:** John M. Martin

**Attendees:** Steve Morris, Patrick Schreiber, Christine Cisneros, Kelly Kristo, and Shannon Freire

- I. Call to Order – 9:05am**
- II. Public Comments - NA**
- III. Approval of October 5, 2016 Minutes**
  - a. Approved.**
- IV. Approval of Agenda**
  - a. Approved.**
- V. Receive the Director's Report on the Activities of the Department of Juvenile Justice Services (DJJS)**
  - a. Budget/Personnel Update**
    - i.** The JPO Academy is in mid-swing with 7 officers from DJJS and 1 from the State. Graduation is set for November 18.
    - ii.** Budget wise, we continue to focus on expanding our professional services. This includes assessing our group homes to ensure quality services are provided and staff have had trauma informed trainings, even if that means DJJS provides the actual trainings.
  - b. Legislature – No update.**
  - c. Juvenile Detention Reform –** Mr. Martin is researching the costs involved in building a new detention center. The current facility was built in the 1960s and is in need of costly renovations. Mr. Martin thanked Steve Morris for keeping us moving forward on this project.
  - d. Juvenile Justice Programming –** Our clinical team is researching trauma informed methodology training for our staff.
  - e. The Harbor Update (formerly known as the Assessment Center) –** The Harbor had its soft opening October 17. The first two weeks, we served more than 20 families that were referred from community partners or walk in families needing services. Mr. Martin again invited anyone from this board for a tour of the facility.
  - f. Strategic Plans**

- i. Mr. Martin met with his management team to discuss future 1,3 and 5 year goals for their divisions. They will continue to move forward on those.

**VI. CAC Strategic Goals for 2016-17**

- a. **The Harbor and Reducing disproportionality**
- b. **Improving Mental Health and Crisis Intervention Services**
- c. **Gender Specific Programming** – The board discussed how they could show support for DJJS and Mr. Martin’s goals of a Medicaid carve out and finding creative quality programming for girls and specialized populations and ultimately providing more placement options other than detention. They will plan to attend the upcoming Policy and Fiscal meeting, Board of County Commissioner meetings, and contacting Medicaid Administration directly if needed.
- d. **Training and Quality Assurance** – Mr. Martin would love to provide trauma informed trainings to future in home providers to ensure appropriate care is given to youth.
- e. **Expanding Resources for juvenile justice clients exiting the system**
  - i. The board discussed having only 1 provider in Southern Nevada for youth with substance abuse problems and how to improve that. Mr. Martin has been working on solutions and shared a few with the board on how to find tangible, quality in home services.
  - ii. Dave Doyle brought up the lack of resources available to youth exiting the JJ system compared to youth exiting child protective services and how to ensure all youth have the same opportunities for success.
  - iii. Mr. Martin shared his goals of breaking ground on a new residential center in 2017 and renovating the existing one for a girls’ home with appropriate services for a 2018 project.

**VII. Informational Items**

- a. **Announcements** - Next meeting is December 7, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., Director’s Office Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101
- b. **Other information that may be of interest to the Committee and the public**
  - i. Mr. Schreiber invited the committee to Spring Mountain Youth Camp’s football team’s playoff game on 11/4 at 1pm.
  - ii. A Principal was hired for SMYC.
- c. **Identify emerging issues to be addressed by the Committee at future meetings** - NA

**VIII. Public Comments** – Dave Doyle shared information on a recent presentation he attended by Richard Whitley, Director of Health and Human Services, and his desire to advocate for youth in juvenile justice services. Mr. Martin will reach out to Mr. Whitley to discuss ideas about expanding Medicaid services.

**IX. Adjournment** – 9:57am