

MINUTES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
Clark County

Department of Juvenile Justice Services
Director's Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101
June 1, 2016 at 9:00am to 11:00am

Advisory Members Present: Leisa Moseley (phone), Tom Maroney, David Doyle, Tiffany Tyler (phone), Lisa Morris-Hibbler (phone), Josephine Bonomo, and Anthony York (phone)

Advisory Members Absent: Louise Helton, Douglas Garner, and Robert Henry (Excused)

Guests: John M. Martin, Steve Morris, and Shannon Freire

I. Call to Order – 9:09am

II. Public Comments

- Chairman Tom Maroney completed his term on this board and will not be submitting an application for renewal. Mr. Martin, along with other board members, thanked Mr. Maroney for over 60 years of public service.

III. Approval of April 6, 2016 Minutes

- Members approved the April 6, 2016 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)

- a. **Budget/Personnel Update** – DJJS currently has 4 staff in the academy scheduled to graduate June 17th at 2pm. We will be opening a new recruitment list in approximately 2 weeks for our next academy. We have 10 vacant positions, one which we cannot fill until September 1, 2016. Mr. Martin is also focused on a succession plan as there are many long time employees in critical positions that can retire at any time.
- b. **Legislature** – Mr. Martin is still formulating ideas for the Legislative agenda. A main focus continues to be gender specific programming. He is having research completed on safe harbor laws in other States to mimic successful elements to prevent sexual exploitation of youth. DJJS is also working with DCFS and the Nevada Coalition for the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation of Children. Mr. Martin is hoping to combine this with other coalitions and local boards so we can request technical assistance, acquire subject matter expertise, requests for funding and to ensure we build a true continuum of care for children.
- c. **Juvenile Detention Reform** – Detention population remains high. One reason is the escalating gun crimes. There are approximately 28 youth pending certification right now. Another influence on our high population is housing DCFS' youth that are awaiting placement. We currently have 19 youth in custody that belong to Parole.
- d. **Juvenile Justice Programming**
 - When Mr. Martin became Director, DJJS had over a hundred service providers. We now have approximately 15 vetted service providers that were specifically

chosen for their qualifications, quality care and wrap around services for our youth and community.

- Our HIT program at Spring Mountain Youth Camp graduated 6 youth in line cooking and 7 in baking. In addition to the HIT program and sports teams, SMYC also offers an embroidery program. Mr. Martin continues to expand program options and will be working on adding a mechanics and light duty automotive program in the future.

- e. **Assessment Center Update** – We are still waiting for responses to the draft inter local agreement from our partners. DJJS was approved for our VOCA grant for \$400,000 and the SAPTA grant. Mr. Martin still has the assessment center scheduled to open doors in October. Family Tracs 2.0 is also on track to be finished in October. This will help track youth in the assessment center. Mr. Martin provided a logic model for the assessment center to show progress and work flow.

VI. 2016-17 CAC Board Member Update – Mr. Martin named the current CAC board members and discussed the vacancies. This board reviewed 4 applications previously, and with the boards' approval, Mr. Martin submitted the following names for our vacancies: Dominika Washington, Kelli Kristo, Robert Henry (submitted his application for renewal), Charla Vieira, and Ricardo Villalobos. This is an agenda item for the next meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

VII. Informational Items

- a. **Discussion on Hand out – Girls and the Juvenile Justice System** - The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention created this webinar and hand out. Ms. Josephine Bonomo spoke with DJJS management and supervisors on how to educate our staff and possibly make this training, or one similar, a requirement for our Officers.
- b. **Announcements** - Next meeting will be July 6, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., Director's Office Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101.
- c. **Other information that may be of interest to the Committee and the public** – None at this time.
- d. **Identify emerging issues to be addressed by the Committee at future meetings** – None at this time.

VII. Public Comments - None at this time.

VIII. Adjournment – 10:08am