

MINUTES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
Clark County

Department of Juvenile Justice Services
Director's Office Conference Room, South Building, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101
September 11, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

Advisory Members Present: Tom Maroney, Leisa Moseley, Joelyne Gold-Nance, Anthony York, Louise Helton, Heidi Swank, Arnold Stalk, and Robert Henry

Advisory Members Absent: Tiffany Tyler, Pat Nelson and Priscila Rivera Gonzalez

Guest: John Martin, Patrick Schreiber, Judge William Voy, and Satonya Boyd

I. Call to Order at 9:05 am.

II. Announcements from the Co-Chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee and inform Committee Members.

- Tom Maroney, Co-Chairman welcomed everyone.
- Mr. Maroney stated that Project SOAR was suppose to start on September 9, 2013 and will have to be postponed for a while longer. He will keep the Committee Members apprised of the project's status.

III. Public Comments

No Comments

IV. Approval of June 5, 2013 Minutes

- Members approved the June 5, 2013 Minutes.

V. Approval of Agenda

- Members approved the agenda.

VI. Membership/Ordinance

- Pat Nelson and Priscila Rivera Gonzalez are new members. They have been notified of the upcoming Citizens Advisory Committee Meetings.

VII. New Chair Voting Process Discussion

- The Committee Members suggested that June of every year the voting process for a new Chair and Co-Chair should be done.
- The Committee nominated Tom Maroney for Chair *motioned has been approved.*
- The Committee nominated Tiffany Tyler for Co-Chair *motioned has been approved.*

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

- Heidi Swank shared that it would be beneficial if the Citizens Advisory Committee Members would get to know the Judicial Committee. It is important to let the Judicial Committee know who the Citizens Advisory Committee is and what is our purpose. She suggested inviting the Judicial Committee to a Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting. Ms. Swank stated that a personal appearance and paper letters are helpful to the Judicial Committee.
- Heidi stated that there is a Committee being established for Juvenile Justice Service and she will send information the Citizens Advisory Committee Members once she gets more information.
- Mr. Maroney stated that it would be essential to join various committee and groups and come back and share the information with Committee Members. The Citizens Advisory Committee wants to become more effective with the Supreme Court and Juvenile Justice Forum for legislation.
- John Martin, Director discussed his concerns with the tobacco bill and further stated that Commissioner Giunchigliani and Commissioner Weekly support our efforts.
- Mr. Martin briefly discussed AB217. This bill enforces agencies to do random background checks on the Department of Juvenile Justice Services staff. If an employee has a substantiated child charge that employee cannot work with children. To date some of our staff has been terminated.

IX. Partnership with Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative - Review and discuss

- Judge Voy shared brief information and stated that the JDAI Committee doesn't need to meet. The smaller committees are working out things.

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

Budget/Personnel Update

Mr. Martin gave a brief update for the Department of Juvenile Justice Services' budget and personnel as follows:

- Marc Humphries, Detention Manager has provided eighteen years of service to Juvenile Justice Services. He has accepted a new position and is going to Washington, DC. His last day is September 13, 2013.
- Patrick Schreiber is the new Assistant Director for Juvenile Justice Services
- Cesar Lemos is the new Assistant Manager for Detention

- There will be a nationwide recruitment for the Manager of Detention
- Tyrone Roberson is a new Juvenile Probation Officer Supervisor in Detention
- Horacio Valdez is a new Juvenile Probation Officer Supervisor in Detention
- There are eighteen vacancies for Juvenile Probation Officers. Recently we hired seven new Juvenile Probation Officers.
- The cultural change is working for the Department of Juvenile Justice Services (DJJS). Mr. Martin states that we are working hard to help the youth. Thanks to the POST Training Academy. We have changed our Juvenile Justice Services Academy to help and focus on children.
- DJJS is planning a trip up to Portland to see how they do business to keep their population down. DJJS is making a lot of progress to keep youth out of jail.
- The DJJS budget is forty-four million.
- Mr. Martin requested sixteen new positions. One of those positions will be a QA Position. This person will look at the current processes of the department as a whole and possibly streamline those processes where necessary.
- DJJS is working to get back to being a kid focused department.

XI. Public Comments

- Joelyne Gold-Nance shared that she does horse therapy. This type of therapy can be helpful with youth.
- Judge Voy briefly discussed the *Day Reporting Center*. Girls can go here every day and get help.
- Satonya will send out the SMYC Wrestling schedule to Committee Members.
- Louise Helton suggested that the Citizens Advisory Committee Members use November to get the committee organized and to use their sub-committee group to do so. In the past the sub-committee group consisted of Louise Helton, Robert Henry, Tom Maroney, and old member Mathew Reed.

Next Meeting – (October 2, 2013 9:00 a.m., Zenoff Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101)

XII. Adjournment

Adjourned at 10:25 am