

MINUTES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
Clark County
Department of Juvenile Justice Services
Director's Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101
July 10th, 2019 at 9am

Advisory Members Present: David Doyle, Joseph Sadovich, Leroy Wordlaw, Jennifer Keiser, Ricardo Villalobos, Georgette Patterson, Tiffany Tyler, and Josephine Bonomo

Advisory Members Absent: Mike Barton, Dominika Washington, and Leisa Moseley

Attendees: John Martin, Rex Reed, and Jerome Spinner

Minutes completed by: Shannon Freire

I. Call to Order – 9:01am

II. Introductions

III. Public Comments N/A

IV. Approval of 6/5/19 CAC minutes – Approved with 2 minor adjustments

V. Approval of Agenda - Approved

VI. Receive the Director's Report on the Activities of the Department of Juvenile Justice Services

a. Budget/Personnel Update

- i.** The budget remains flat for DJJS. Three million dollars was allocated to the expansion of the Harbor. With that assistance, we plan to develop and or provide more elementary programming for developmental differences. At the request of legislators, we are looking in the late Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson's area. Mr. Martin is meeting with Councilman Scott Black on a possible location near MLK and Booker. There are many possibilities with the old firehouse currently there.

b. Legislature

- i.** AB 309 bill will raise taxes a quarter cent. This funding would assist our truancy diversion program and ultimately help with chronic absenteeism. Changes in verbiage would help parents understand the importance of attendance.
- ii.** The State closed down 40 additional beds. Today there are 18 Parole youth housed in JJ Detention. Mr. Martin would like to use the funds the State is saving from bed closures to wrap resources around JJ youth transitioning out of the system.

c. Juvenile Detention Reform

- i.** YLS training is scheduled to begin in August with probation staff. The tool is being tested in Caseload Pro now with Odyssey bridging in. This will assist in

automatically populating all information on a youth in the system once we are live as the system updates every 7 minutes.

- ii. Probation Reform Stakeholder's update-Mr. Martin continues to work with external and internal partners on the implementation of YLS, MAYSI II, and Caseload Pro. Making the family part of the solution is a main goal as well.

d. Juvenile Justice Programming

- i. DJJS has begun the hiring process for the full-time Probation Officer housed at Peterson Behavioral School. It is very important the right PO is chosen as they need to be a role model to youth; someone to get to know the youth and understand what they are going through and what they need to succeed. With appropriate resources, assistance from Workforce Connections, additional vocational programming, we are hoping to see a huge difference in the school and behaviors from the students. We want them to engage more and enjoy school and the challenges it brings.
- ii. Chronic Absenteeism update-Mr. Martin is assisting in creating a truancy letter that better explains to parents the importance of attendance and what truancy can lead to. We are hoping it helps create a support for the family when necessary. He would also like a program started where phone calls are made to youth when they miss school. This way they know they are missed and are wanted at school and will hopefully engage them in a more positive manner. This is also a way we can involve the community and local businesses as they can assist making calls and provide incentives for students staying in school.

e. The Harbor Update

- i. The Harbor has now serviced over 9,000 youth and their families! Our recidivism rate is at 3%!
- ii. The newest Harbor location will open on the Eastside and be operational by October. DJJS records will also move into the building as well as another ERC (Evening Reporting Center).
- iii. Now that the Harbor has been open for years and is so successful, we are slowly adding 35 more **misdemeanor** charges that will be handled at the Harbor. As additional locations open, more charges will continue to be handled at the Harbor instead of the Courthouse.

VII. CAC Strategic Goals

- b. Increase programming to improve client outcomes, using evidence based practices and measuring performance**
- c. Reduce disproportionate minority contact through the use of targeted strategies and programs**
- d. Post juvenile justice transitional Improve facilities to provide increased security and increased rehabilitative and vocational opportunities**

VIII. Informational Items

- a. Identify emerging issues to be addressed by the Committee at future meetings**
- b. Other information that may be of interest to the Committee and the public**
 - i. CAC member Jennifer Keiser shared that the Dept. of Adult Education is expanding educational programming to Embracing Project and MLK Probation. We are looking to partner with child care agencies for our students.

We have over 50 sites throughout the valley that provide ELL, High School Equivalency and HS Diploma programming. We are partnering with Rescare and Workforce Connections One Stop with a satellite location at our St. Louis location.

- ii. Chairman Dave Doyle shared an update: The State has contracted with the firm, Myers and Stauffer to facilitate and submit a 1915i waiver in effort to obtain appropriate and sustainable funding for therapeutic/specialized foster care. Providers (as well as members of the Legislature I believe) were told the waiver application would be submitted to CMS (Federal Medicaid) on or around May of 2019 with approval coming as early as September 2019. Providers were assured they would be given a copy of the application to review for Public Comment. As on the current date, the waiver application is running behind schedule and has still not been completed. Delays and lack of performance have been an ongoing issue with the State, as they previously embarked upon a State Plan Amendment initially to obtain appropriate and sustainable funding for therapeutic/specialized foster care. The State Plan Amendment was a futile process (years of wasted effort and energy) It ultimately went nowhere and the State learned that a 1915i waiver was needed; not a State Plan Amendment. Providers have been left in limbo via the hand of the state for the last 3 years now, and as of this current date the State has not been able to deliver results or stick to proposed time-frames. This is all extremely frustrating for providers and it has left Clark County with an unfunded mandate to fund therapeutic/specialized foster care.
- iii. Chairman Leroy Wordlaw shared an update on 100 Black Men of Las Vegas; though they are still waiting for the vetting process to conclude, 100 Black Men of Las Vegas is excited to provide a resource to the Harbor, Spring Mountain Residential Center, and possibly the ERC locations as well. They also plan to do some training sessions at SMYC.
- iv. Chairman Leroy Wordlaw also shared that the 100 Black Men of Las Vegas’ “White Affair” will be August 17th at the “Mansion 54.”

| Date | Meeting | Time and location |
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| 8/15 & 9/19 | DFS CAC | 8:30-10am DFS Central Clark room, 121 S. Martin Luther King |
| 8/22, 11/7 | Policy and Fiscal Affairs meeting | 12:30pm in the Govt. Center, 6 th floor in the Joshua Conference Room |
| 9/25 & 12/18 | Harbor Executive Steering Committee | 1-3pm The Harbor 861 N. Mojave Rd. |
| 8/20 & 10/15 | My Brother's Keeper Educational Equity Task Force | 2:30-4:30pm 4204 Channel 10 Dr. Las Vegas, 89119 Portable C Large Conference Room |
| 8/12 & 10/14 | My Brother's Keeper Community Engagement Task Force | 9-11am at 4204 Channel 10 Dr. Las Vegas, 89119 Portable C Large Conference Room |
| 8/14 & 10/9 | My Brother's Keeper Law Enforcement Task Force | 10-12pm at 4204 Channel 10 Dr. Las Vegas, 89119 Portable C Large Conference Room |
| 9/10 | MBK Full Alliance Meeting | Las Vegas City Hall, first floor 2-4pm |
| 8/28 & 11/13 | DJJS JDAI (JJ Detention Alternatives Initiative Committee) | 12pm DJJS Director’s Conference room |

**SPRING MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL
2019 SCHEDULE**

| DAY | DATE | OPPONENT | LOCATION | TIME/Result |
|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Friday | September 6 | Bloomington Christian | Bloomington, CA | 7PM/ |
| Friday | September 13 | Green Valley Christian * | Spring Mountain | 3PM/ |
| Friday | September 20 | Laughlin | Laughlin, NV | 7PM/ |
| Friday | September 27 | Mountain View | Spring Mountain | 3PM/ |
| Friday | October 4 | Beaver Dam * | Spring Mountain | 3PM/ |
| Friday | October 11 | Pahranagat Valley * | Alamo, NV | 7PM/ |
| Friday | October 18 | Beatty * | Beatty, NV | 7PM/ |
| Thursday | October 24 | Bye Week | | |
| Friday | November 1 | Indian Springs * | Spring Mountain | 130PM/ |
| <i>Friday</i> | <i>November 8</i> | <i>Conference Playoff –</i> | <i>TBD</i> | <i>TBD</i> |
| <i>Saturday</i> | <i>November 16</i> | <i>State Semi Final –</i> | <i>TBD</i> | <i>TBD</i> |
| <i>Saturday</i> | <i>November 23</i> | <i>State Championship –</i> | <i>TBD</i> | <i>TBD</i> |

* Denotes league games that count towards playoff qualification.

1A SOUTHERN LEAGUE TEAMS

- Beatty
- Beaver Dam
- Green Valley Christian
- Indian Springs
- Pahranagat Valley
- Spring Mountain
- **Bold** – Denotes home games at Golden Eagle Field.
- *Italics* – Denotes State Playoff Schedule

c. Announcements

- a. Next meeting is September 11th, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., in the Director’s Office Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101

IX. Public Comments – NA

X. Adjournment – 10:016am