



## **AGENDA**

### **VALENCIA COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY BOARD**

To be held at:  
444 Luna Ave  
Los Lunas, NM 87031  
Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89395656619?pwd=YuNYm2iO7ApuiCN6O3aeYP2wSG7E3f.1>

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - MINUTES**  
**12pm-1:30pm**

Zoom Meeting link:

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- A. Introduction & Roll Call – Quorum Confirmation – JJAB Members Present: Johnathan Aragon, Patricia Gregor, Estevan Gallegos, Kelli Vigil, Linda Montano, Randy Gutierrez, Victoria Flores, Cassandra Canyuck, Heather Benavidez, Jason Rael, Camille Griego, Phillip Montano / 12 members in attendance, Quorum Satisfied / General Attendees: Holly Chavez, Noelle Chavez, Joshua Zuni, Orlando Montoya, Beverly Romero
- B. Acceptance of Agenda – Heather Benavidez made a motion to approve the agenda and Victoria Flores 2<sup>nd</sup> that motion
- C. Nomination and Voting of Chair & Co-Chair – Acting Chair Judge Allen Smith not present. Jeremias asked thoughts of the board of waiting until after Retreat in August to be completed the properly nominate Judge Allen smith after the Co-chair position. Estevan is not opposed to waiting after the retreat, but did request possible contingencies or alternative chairperson be identified. Allen Smith may not be able to be present in all meetings and it is crucial a chair appointed to carry out board meetings. If the formal nomination to have Judge Allen Smith voted on at the August retreat is not possible, suggested alternates will be discussed. The JJAB did agree that a chair and co-chair need to be nominated at the annual retreat in August.
- D. Nomination of perspective board members – Steven Montoya did submit his resignation from the JJAB. Any potential successors were discussed. Cassandra asked if Isleta has been included or spoken to. Jeremias did mention that Yolanda Abeita from Isleta had discussion with the previous continuum coordinator and will follow up with her. Estevan has worked with Yolanda and also Oscar, who's contact information was provided. It was discussed that Melissa Denetdale is no longer serving as the continuum coordinator and Jeremias Silva will assume those roles until further notice and will also be stepping down as a voting member from the JJAB and will submit a formal resignation letter. Jeremias did make a motion to recommend

Valencia County Assessor Beverly Romero serve as a voting member on the JJAB. Randy did 2<sup>nd</sup> that motion to nominate Beverly. All JJAB members in attendance did vote yes to Beverly's nomination with the exception of Jason Rael abstaining. The current JJAB roster is at 13 voting members.

E. Continuum Coordinator Update

- a. Discussion of drafted Final Report – The final report is due on 7-15-2022. Jeremias is pending access to the CYFD portal for final data for the months of May and June to be included with the report. Some of the JJAB members did not receive the drafted final report. Moving forward, a separate email with any attachments will follow the invitation email. Linda did mention to reference the heavy collaboration were a combination of Valencia County, CYFD and H2 Academics. The team work aspect and collaborative efforts in order to ensure the CYFD issued forms did not hinder the time in which services can be provided should also be further elaborated on. Estevan did also mention that the Mission Statement should ensure that services are **equitable** to all at risk juveniles being serves. Jeremias did mention that all board members will receive a copy of the final report once all suggestions/comments have been made. Linda did request to have the Mission & Vision Statements revised and be voted on prior to submitting. It was discussed on whether vote could be done via email or survey. The survey method was not in favor, but having a vote via email is something that was requested. Jason did ask if by going that route if we would be in violation of the “Sunshine Law?” Jeremias to follow up with County legal, but did mention that any changes to the Mission, Vision Statement and any other JJAB documents will likely be made at the August retreat. There was discussion on whether or not possession of marijuana on school grounds still a delinquent offense due to the legalization, which led to discussions on whether or not drug paraphernalia being a delinquent offense. It was mentioned that the DA gets referrals for possession of marijuana on school property and is still against the law. Jason Rael and Estevan Gallegos to get further clarification. Kelli did also explain that “delinquent acts” are convoluted and suggested that the JJAB talk more on this as a group and seek further clarification. Kelli did also mention that the rate indicated of \$168.00 for juvenile detention has nearly doubled.
- b. FY23 Outlook – Jeremias Silva to assume continuum coordinator duties and will focus on obtaining necessary back ground checks from CYFD and local schools. The County is also looking at partnering with Concha Montano to assist with program evaluations.

F. Retreat in August 2022

- a. Dates & times the Board would like to conduct the Retreat – It was discussed that the annual retreat will be held in August on either the 12<sup>th</sup> or the 26<sup>th</sup>, with a time from 9AM to 2PM. A placeholder invite will be sent out by next week.
- b. Continuum Coordinator – itinerary discussion – Cassandra did ask if youth that have graduated from the programs at H2 Academics give a presentation to the JJAB. It was also discussed if Cassandra could present and explain the process from the Law enforcement side. H2 Academics did mention that they could have trained providers explain the teachings of the programs in place as well. Estevan is also willing to provide a presentation on the JPO intake process. Jeremias to follow up with CYFD so they can further explain their role. It was ultimately decided to have the retreat established in a manner that would

clearly convey the logistics as it relates to the Valencia County Juvenile Justice system

- G. H2 Academic Solutions – Program (Update) – Program update provided. RAC will be fully staffed by July 1 and has 72 active cases. All awarded funds are projected to be spend down except for 2 days on the Boys Council
- H. Juvenile Probation Office & Attendance for Success-Estevan Gallegos (Update) – Meeting was conducted on June 15<sup>th</sup> and the need for more representation from Los Lunas was mentioned. Estevan did also mention that the 2022 Summer Teacher Academy will take place on 7-13-2022 and will be at the UNM-VC from 9AM to 1:30PM. Flyer to be posted on County website
- I. Teen Court-Victoria Flores (Update) – Teen court is being conducted weekly and everyone is welcome to attend. There will be a community event at the Meadowlake center. Email Victoria to get a table for this.
- J. McKinney Vento-Camille Griego (Update) – N/A
- K. Youth Sub-Committee (Update) – Phillip did provide an update on the events he participated in
- L. Other business-As needed
  - a. JJAC Meeting in August – Request to have in person meeting and also zoom for those wanting to join virtually – Jeremias to follow up with JJAC on potentially utilizing the Commission chambers for this
- M. Adjournment – Beverly motioned to adjourn and Kelli 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:50PM