



AGENDA
VALENCIA COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY BOARD
October 2024 MEETING – Minutes

To be held in person at:
The Valencia County Administration Building – IT Training Room
444 Luna Ave.
Los Lunas, NM 87031

Tuesday, October 08, 2024
12:00PM-1:30PM

Jeremias: For the record, I just wanted to let it be known that Chairwoman Heather Benavidez will not be able to participate. She did ask if I could proxy in her absence. I will be running the meeting along with Christine Arrellin today, the continuum coordinator as she'll be taking us through the screen share items and highlighting some of the other items that we have. Let it also be known for the record that Victoria Flores will not be able to participate today, and she has designated her proxy, Ms. Linda Montano, on her behalf.

- A. Introduction & Roll Call – Quorum Confirmation – **Quorum met.**
In-Person Board Members – Heather Benavidez (proxied by Jeremias Silva), Victoria Flores (proxied by Linda Montano), Kaylee Jojola, Jhonathan Aragon, Camille Griego

On-line Board Members – Judge Allen Smith, Warden Randy Gutierrez

YSC Members – Phillip Montano, Rayven Ward, Noah Sierra

General Members: Christine Arrellin (**Continuum Coordinator**), Rose LeDoux (**Grants Coordinator**), Holly and Noelle Chavez (**H2 Academic Solutions**), John Giron (**VCSO Deputy Chief**),

- a. Community Member Introduction – If Applicable

Mandie Gonzales: Hello and good afternoon, everyone. My name is Mandie Gonzales. I'm the Sales Account Executive with Presbyterian Individual and Family Plan. I am here as a representative to hopefully be more involved in getting the community insured. Jeremias and I were talking at the last event that I could potentially be of assistance in getting the community some access to health care, so however, I can be of assistance.

Jo Ann Griego: Hi everyone, I, same as Mandy, met Jeremias, two weeks ago, at an event. I'm with Presbyterian Community Health. I'm a Program Manager, and I'm also a Substance Use Preventionist in Valencia County, and I was also going to hopefully work with Jeremias on getting our youth trained on how to administer Narcan. Thank you all for having us.

Andrea Romero: I'm Andrea Romero with the Valencia County Early Childhood Community Partnership Coalition, and I'm housed with La Vida Felicidad.

Grace Tackman: I am Grace Tackman. I am one of the officers of the New Mexico Educational Assistance Foundation. Our public service mission is access to post-secondary, whether it's trade or college and success in those institutions. So, anything that we can do to help students get there and be successful, there is kind of what we're about. And Jeremias at our grant seminar.

Josephine Vallejos, head of security from Belen Schools was also in attendance.

B. Acceptance of Agenda

Jeremias entertains a motion to accept the agenda.

Jhonathan Aragon motions to accept.

Camille Griego seconds the motion. All I's...zero no's.

C. Approval of Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2024, Special JJAB Meeting

Jeremias entertains a motion to approve the minutes.

Judge Smith motions to accept.

Jhonathan Aragon seconds the motion. All I's...zero no's.

D. Introduction/Nomination of Youth Subcommittee Member – Noah Sierra

Jeremias: So, you know, with the youth subcommittee, we're always actively searching for youth to participate in our youth subcommittee to help us attend community events and pass out information and just be a part of something special. We can really focus on youth empowerment. Noah has shown a great deal of interest over the past month. He's already participated in a couple of events. At this time, I do believe Christine has a video that she's going to share with us, that way everybody can put a face to the voice, and then we'll let Noah do his introduction, just because he is here in this meeting.

Christine: I am sorry, I am experiencing technical difficulties but Noah, if you want to go ahead and share with us while I get the video situated.

Noah: Hello, I am Noah Sierra, and I'm 13 years old. I go to Century High School, and my favorite things to do are play baseball, skateboard, and play video games. I also like playing the drums and listening to music. I want to join the Youth Subcommittee to help people not get in trouble and to reach the community. Thank you.

Jeremias: Thank you so much, Noah. Christine don't worry about trying to get that audio, as it was nice that we had Noah here to discuss that in person. We did have a Youth Subcommittee meeting last night in which all the other Youth Subcommittee members formally got together and talked with Noah and did a very formal vote in which they approved bringing on Noah Sierra. With that said, we do always come back to the board, just to make sure that we have it presented to you, the voting members, to officially bring Mr. Noah Sierra on board. So, I would like to accept a

nomination from any of the board members present or online, to bring on Noah Sierra as a Youth Subcommittee member.

Camille Griego accepts the motion.

Linda (Victoria's proxy) seconds the motion.

Jeremias: Is there any discussion on the motion or the second? Are there any questions from the board for Noah?

Camille: I have one question, how did you become aware of the youth subcommittee and the board?

Noah: At Los Lunas High School.

Christine: Camille, if I may add, there was a Resource Fair at Los Lunas High School this last March and a sign-up sheet was provided on our table. A couple months ago, I reached out to Noah's mom to see if he was still interested and that is how he heard about us.

Jeremias calls rollcall for a vote.

Jeremias: Linda?

Linda (Victoria's proxy): Yes.

Jeremias (Heather's proxy): Yes.

Jeremias: Jhonathan?

Jhonathan: Yes.

Jeremias: Judge Smith?

Judge Smith: I vote in favor of him being brought on as a youth subcommittee member.

Jeremias: Camille?

Camille: Yes.

Jeremias: Kaylee?

Kaylee: Yes.

Jeremias: Thank you all so much. Well, Noah, congratulations! You have gone through the formal process of being brought on board to the Youth Subcommittee. Christine and I will continue to work with you, and we'll let you know when we have our Youth Subcommittee meetings and community events. That way you have the option to participate and meet those goals that you mentioned earlier on. Thank you so much, Noah, for wanting to participate.

E. Youth Sub-Committee (Update)

Jeremias: Phillip, can you please read off the agenda and talk about the events you participated in?

a. H2 Academic Solutions Back-to-School – Aug. 14th

b. Phillip: I don't recall this one.

c. BCS Attendance Fair – Sept. 14th

Phillip: At Belen High School Attendance Fair, we gave out information, recruited and served food. There was a lot of pizza. We did what we could while there.

d. YDI Get Up, Get Moving – Sept. 28th

Phillip: Get Up, Get Moving was held at Daniel Fernandez Park.

e. LLMS Open House – Oct. 3rd

Phillip: This was at the middle school, we handed out information. We are also planning to host a fundraiser, but I do not know all the details.

Jeremias: As you all can see, the youth subcommittee is very active in the community by bringing awareness to the programs and a sense of responsibility. It is important that the board understands how much these boys and girls work at these events. We really try to make sure that they are

helping out their fellow vendors anytime that they can be of assistance. As Phillip mentioned, bringing in drinks, folding tables and chairs, or helping the other vendors clean up at the end of the day. It is incredible to see how far the Youth Subcommittee has come and to what we hope to continue the momentum and be better. Philip did briefly talk on an event that we're going to have a fundraising event, and once I pass it over to Christine Arrellin, she will provide more detail on that. With that said, does anybody have any questions or comments on the Youth Subcommittee items that Philip talked about. Hearing none, I did want to make sure, for the record to be shown, that Belen Consolidated Schools Superintendent Lawrence Sanchez has joined the meeting. Thank you for participating, Mr. Sanchez.

Superintendent Mr. Sanchez: Thank you.

Jeremias: Mr. Sanchez, was there anything that you wanted to speak on as it relates to the Belen Schools Attendance Fair?

Superintendent Mr. Sanchez: Sure. First of all, I want to thank everybody for participating, all the vendors and all the volunteers, and, of course, your organization head in. I'll forget somebody, but I thought it went well, it's always good when we have the chance to meet with parents. And you know, I was just reading an article this morning talking about attendance that did a survey in that, despite the best efforts of school districts across the country, we're still not seeing the return to pre-pandemic levels of attendance. And so, I talked about some of the of the reasons why, and the number one is parents don't see the value, and we've got to help parents see the value in their students attending school. We need to make parents feel welcome again at our schools because of what happened with the pandemic. We have to keep social distancing and everything that goes along with it, and then you add in the fears with school shootings, and it's become very difficult to get into our schools which can cause parents to feel unwelcome, and that's not our intent. Our intent is to keep everybody safe, and so having these opportunities to show that we're not trying to keep parents away but help them to understand what we're trying to accomplish and how we can work together. I welcome any time we're able to do that, and so appreciate everybody's help in attendance and any of you that were there.

Jeremias: Thank you so much, Superintendent Sanchez. Just to piggyback, it really was a great turnout. It was incredible to see how many families participated. There was pizza. But for the most part, a lot of people were really engaged with the vendors and there was a lot of discussion that that took place. I think we had around 230 individuals that signed in for this event. It's awesome to see that we do have parents wanting to become involved and wanting to be informed. *As Christine shares some pictures.* It was a really good turnout, and we look forward to partnering again.

Superintendent Sanchez, I know Los Lunas Schools is working with Estevan Gallegos. We typically have an attendance fair that we have at the UNM-VC. We look forward to doing something again in early 2025 and as we progress, we'll definitely keep everybody apprised of that so we can make it a successful event like always. Again, thank you so very much.

F. Continuum Coordinator Update

a. Community Outreach – Update & Discussion

- o H2 Academic Solutions Resource Center – Roadrunner Festival – Oct. 26th

Christine: Thank you, so I will drop the Car Show flyer in the chat and send it in an email. We plan to have a table there, passing out our program information and staying warm out in the cold. Enjoying the craft show and car show.

o VCSO Public Safety Family Day – Fire Truck Pull – Nov. 2nd

Christine: Moving on to Public Safety Family Day. Yesterday, in our meeting, I had asked the Youth Subcommittee members if they were interested in having a table there, and they are. They are also interested in formulating a team to pull the fire truck so we've got a team of eight that will hopefully compete. I hope to see all you guys out there. I will also send the flyer to everyone, so you guys are able to join, come out and see our youth engaging with the community. It is at the Calvary Chapel in Belen. Do I have any questions before I move on to subsection B?

Jeremias: Christine, real quick. I know I told you I'd speak with the Sheriff's Office on whether we'd be able to so they're going to follow up with Barbara, who is the liaison to determine whether or not our kiddos can be part of that fire truck pull. So hopefully, within the next couple days, we get a yes and can participate.

b. Coordinator Leadership Team Update

Christine: I just want to let you all know that we have put together the coordinator guidance and a step-by-step presentation for the CYFD portal. Right now, it's in the process of being edited by CYFD, and it'll be available on our statewide coordinator website. I'll let you know whenever that has been published.

c. 1st Quarter Expenditures Update

Christine: I want to provide you guys with a picture of the numbers that we have and the percentages here. And I also want to provide a visual of a graph, just to let you all know we are pretty good on our spending at this moment. The orange is what we still have funding for. Botvin Los Lunas has not used up any sessions, but that's still good, as Noelle will provide an update on what's going on with that. Do I have any questions at this time with these documents here, and Jeremias, please chime in if you have anything?

Jeremias: Okay, great. Thanks for preparing this. Christine, this is something that we just wanted to make sure that the board is informed on. As far as utilization of funds, CYFD always makes it a priority for us to spend down as much of the monies as we can, which we always do. But they also make it available for us to submit a budget adjustment. If at any time we see we can shift monies over, we'll work with H2 Academic Solutions to get those budgetary values situated and submitted over that way we use up as much of the money as we can. With that said, for the most part, we're where we need to be, as Christine mentioned, Noelle will give an update with the Los Lunas schools to get Botvin Life Skills percentage billed down and brought up to par with the remainder of the programs. In my experience, we've never had any problems with Botvin Life Skills. We've always ended up shifting money over to Botvin. With that, we'll work together closely to make sure that we spend down the monies that we have. Are there any questions?

Linda: When did, I suppose, the contracts actually get signed? I know it is the first quarter, however, how long have we actually been in programming? I honestly don't know the answer but to me, that's relative in response to what we've actually spent down, how much time has it actually been?

Jeremias: That is a great question Linda, thank you so much for that. So just to kind of clarify for the board, being that this was a brand-new agreement, right? We finished off our four-year agreement, and we submitted an application in April for the next three years through for FY25-27 all of the contracts outside of RAC and the Day Reporting Center were able to be executed by County Manager Monette, being that they were under the threshold of \$60,000. The RAC program, in addition to the Day Reporting Center program, a formal solicitation had to go out. So, that's what we talked about during the Special Meeting on August 20th which is basically to get a vote of confidence being that H2 Academic Solutions was the responsive bidder to that solicitation. We do our due diligence and make sure that the Juvenile Justice Advisory Board is informed of that selection, and then once we have that selection voted on and approved by this board, then we take it to our County Commission to essentially get it established and formally approved. With that said, those two programs, the RAC and Day Reporting Center, had a late start date, so we lost about a month and a half, maybe a little longer by the time we were able to get the actual programs in the schools. I mean, even with that said, you can see that we have action with RAC and the DRC, we're hoping now that school is in place, that we're able to get more referrals and get more services out to the kids that are needing these programs.

Linda: Thank you, like I said looking at it and I knew that, you know, the time frames come up, but that does help me to understand the numbers.

Jeremias: Were there any other questions regarding the first quarter expenditure update. Hearing none, we will move onto item G.

G. H2 Academic Solutions (Update)

Noelle: We have a lot of exciting things this year that are, I would say, new, different and change. I'm going to start with the RAC program. You probably have seen on Facebook that we are hiring for in-school RAC specialist, Miss Tristen, did accept a job at Belen High School and left us as of last week. We are hiring for Los Lunas as well. So, if you know someone who is talented and interested, let me know. For now, our admin team of about four people are going to be carrying that caseload until someone is hired. We currently, in Belen, have about 60 youth. Los Lunas, as of today, we're at about 150, thank you Los Lunas High School. They sent us a list of 126 kids today. So, we're going to figure that out this afternoon and divvy that up. And our Drop-In site is about 35-40 but she'll end up picking up probably some of the overflow of Los Lunas. In addition, Los Lunas High School invited us to a JIFFing party, it sounds more fun, but we will be providing a Juvenile Inventory for Functioning assessment to all 9th and 10th graders next week and the following week. So, you will find me at the school counseling office which will be my headquarters for 10 days. We will be working with the school to identify which cases our agency is going to take on and which cases we are passing off. I also had been working with community partners to see who has the availability to accept referrals. We anticipate of the 800 kids, that about 600 to 650 will say yes to participating in the assessment, and we believe about half of that, so about 300, will want to participate in some sort of service. We have that happening next week, so our numbers, of course, will spike for a little bit, but we typically find for the attendance list that about 25% of kids will end up falling through from that original list. And it's not like we'll be carrying the 450 kids from Los Lunas High School for very long. It'll likely dwindle to 100 some odd within the next 30 days. But it helps the school too,

because if we find out that the address is wrong and stuff like that, we can coordinate that with the counselors from RAC. Currently, we offer Boys Council after school, we do have four sessions of Boys Council going because we have four co-offenders, and they cannot attend the same Boys Council class. So, we do have four groups, but I do think in a couple of weeks it will go down to three. We have two Girls Circles going and Unity Circle is not currently available. We did try some sessions at the Belen Public Library, but we couldn't get consistent attendance, and a lot of youth weren't quite sure if they wanted to participate. So, we're going to continue to work to see if we can get Unity Circle either plugged into a school or establish after school at our main location. So that's where we're at with Unity Circle. But the other ones are going really well. For Botvin Life Skills, we've got our after school in Belen. We are doing that online and in person, and we will be starting in Tome Elementary School for Botvin soon, and likely potentially another Los Lunas school at some point, the elementaries usually reach out for their sixth graders. Vaping is typically what the interest is for Botvin. So, we look forward to continuing to partner with the schools and then occasionally we will have Central Elementary through Mr. Tapia as sometimes we'll utilize Botvin as an intervention for some of the kids he's working with. So, those two are moving right along. You will see the difference in the numbers, because it really is like we focus on one school district one semester, the other school district the next. And so, the numbers just kind of bounce between who's ready to have it now and who wants to use it after school, and we're open to either. Our Day Reporting Center is brand new, and it has been running five days a week. We're hoping to have it up to seven days a week soon. We are hiring for our weekend position, and we actually are hiring for the weekday position, because Miss Heather will be moving on to our newly funded Wraparound program. So again, if you guys know somebody interested in the Day Reporting Center position, the pay is not terrible, the work is hard, but it is fun. Restorative Justice is moving right along, currently, when I talked to Lucas this morning, he has 18 Restorative Justice cases, and I do anticipate, like last year, that we're going to probably not be able to borrow money from RJ, which is fantastic. I love that it's being utilized to its fullest ability. And I think Lucas is the right person to do it. I think he's doing a fantastic job. I think I've hit every program. I'm feeling good. Do you have any updates you want to add? Holly: We're hiring.

Noelle: We are hiring. So, if you know people, please let me know.

Jeremias: Noelle, you mentioned that you were going to be at Los Lunas High School.

Noelle: Yes, Los Lunas High School in the Counseling Department where we'll be using one of the lecture halls, so the 15th, 17th and the 21st will be the lecture hall. On the 16th, 18th and the 22nd we'll be meeting with the counselors to divvy up the caseload. We're also looking to identify within the first 24 hours, meeting kids with severe suicidal ideations or alarming behavior. We will have someone available to meet with that kid that day to make sure we troubleshoot that issue within 24 hours, any kid that is lower level will probably wait till the following week before we establish what the plan is. But that was one thing that we wanted to make sure that we gave a day in between to meet with the counselors, to make sure that there were high need kids, that we took care of it in that moment and didn't leave it for a couple weeks until we, you know, decided on a plan. Our final plan is due to Los Lunas High School by October 29th, and we'll have an overall picture for them. Then they'll be using the data from the JIFF to determine some other supports that they want. There's also a possibility that we'll get a lot of referrals, including mentoring programs, and potentially implementing them, or there could be other community

partners that will be jumping on board to address some of the needs that they need and bring them into the school. I think it's a very informative process. We've met with Mr. Sanchez at Belen High School during Covid, and I think we got a lot of good data from that. And so, Los Lunas Schools has actually been asking for a couple years, and they did get their admin team on board this year to do it, so we'll see.

Jeremias: Thank you for that update, Noelle, are there any questions?

Camille: How many people do you have identified for your Day Reporting Center right now?

Noelle: We have four youth enrolled now. Not everyone comes every day. Our heavy day is Monday. We have three youth enrolled on Mondays, and then two youth enrolled the other days. Our plan is to start off with five across the board, and then up to 10 based off scheduling. But right now, we do have four kids that are utilizing it, and they're using it based off, pretty much, probation recommendation on what they're required to do. Two of our Monday kids are probational and that's fine, as long as that's what probation wants, and we will work with it. But then, even if we hit 10 on Mondays we have openings, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, we can still put more kids in, as long as at no given time we have more than 10 kids.

Camille: Thank you.

Noelle: Thank you for asking, I think it is good for our first month of programming.

Jeremias: Thank you for that update, Noelle.

H. Juvenile Probation Office (Update)

Jeremias: I know Estevan is on vacation, so he wasn't able to participate in this meeting. So, what we can do is, Christine, if you can get an email out to Estevan, and perhaps he can respond to that, and then we can get an update out to the board on any JPO issues that we might need to address.

Christine: Actually, I did receive a text message from him today. He did want to inform the board that there was a new hire of a new surveillance officer JPO I. So, there's that but nothing else.

I. Attendance for Success (Update)

Jeremias: So again, Estevan kind of gives us an update. Christine, do you have an update on that?

Christine: Yes, he wanted us to just talk about more in depth of the Attendance Fair, which we did earlier in the meeting. I did want to mention we did have over 220 participants of the vendors, families and parents. It was a huge success being that it was the second year. Also, the Subcommittee is talking about hosting a conference in March targeted towards 100% school communities. Noelle, if you want to add on to that, I encourage it.

Noelle: Okay, so every other year, the Attendance for Success Task Force typically holds a conference for teachers and families. We started back in March of 2020, right before Covid hit, it was like maybe two days or something before Covid hit, and we had an extremely successful conference. We've done it once since then, and we've spent a lot of time working with the schools to have these Resource Fairs, but we do think it's important to still circle back and have these conferences. So, we would consider doing a Community Schools Conference, which Belen has made steps towards community schools, and so has School of Dreams Academy. It seems like that is something that folks are interested in and are part of. Typically, at these Attendance Conferences, we get about 200 people that are interested. It takes the day, the County is usually a partner as well as Isleta and they're actually a ton of fun. I'm looking forward to being a part of it as H2 have always loved the Attendance for

Success conferences, so I'm excited. Maybe we'll make it an odd year thing, you know, 2025, 2027.

Jeremias: Great, did anyone have any questions? A question in the chat from Grace Tackman, would this conference be somewhere we can do financial literacy or FAFSA completions?

Grace: We're not the profit that does financial literacy and FAFSA completions, but we can help if that's something that you guys would want us to do.

Noelle: I think Estevan probably would be interested in that, because we have all the breakouts, and it could even be like how to contact, getting the information out there, or if we get youth that want to actually step out to do it, I think that would be a cool option.

Grace: Yeah, if we can get the dates and the time, just the details, we will get someone there for you.

Jeremias: Thank you so much Grace. Just kind of following up, as you mentioned, the Grants office did attend a Federal Compliance Grant training up in Albuquerque, and we met a great deal of contacts, and Grace felt that we had a lot of commons, so hopefully she can participate. Grace, we will definitely get you more information as we identify a date and time. Typically, what we do is we have a series of meetings leading up to that event. So, we'll send you an invite to those that way you can just kind of see the logistical planning that we do leading up to that event.

J. Teen Court (Update)

Linda: I do have information from Victoria. She states on September 5th, 10 youth attorneys attended Suicide Prevention training. On September 12th, the RFP for Teen Court application was turned in by Jeremia Silva, thank you, sir. On October 3rd, 14 court attorneys attended Los Lunas Middle School Student Awareness night and YDI handed out YDI information and goodies. October 17th, Teen Court will be held in Judge Sichler's courtroom. There are two cases to be heard. On October 26th and 27th, they will be attending the Roadrunner Festival. Each year they do the carnival at the festival, it is huge and amazing. They put in so much effort into that carnival, and it's a big job for all of the kids, not only those who are attending, but the Teen Court members who put it on. We hope, obviously, everybody attends one or both of those dates, between everything. And, they presently have four new members.

Jeremias: Thank you so much. I just wanted to piggyback off that update. As she mentioned, the application was turned in. We have since received an award from DFA to continue the Teen Court services. So, we hope to have a purchase order out to YDI by the middle of this month. So, thank you for that. Are there any questions regarding the YDI Teen Court? Hearing none, we will move on to item K.

K. McKinney Vento (Update)

Camille: Currently, right now, we are completing most of our eligibility screens. We've had about 220 approximately students that have been identified. I would say we've gotten eligibility screens completed for about 140 of them. We still have quite a few that are still outstanding. But I'm working with the schools for that. This year we've had 10, what we call unaccompanied youth, youth that are 17 to actually almost 20 years old now. That's the most I've seen in the three years I have held this position, but that's double what we've had in the past. Which is really interesting. The McKinney Vento program identifies students that don't have permanent housing for the school year. And one of the things that we finished doing, too, is we did get some last grant money from the American Relief funds that we had to spend. So, we've expended some of the items that we have available for our students, like sleeping

bags, bath towels, wash clothes and stuff. We're excited about that. We were also able to replenish, a couple years ago through the county, to get a grant for some food cards with the extension of the last part of the grant money, to supplement and fill in the food cards now that that grant is winding down. On September 18th, I worked with Century High School as they asked me to go do a presentation for their service-learning classes. Los Lunas High School has a service-learning program in place, and its classes that students take that talk about community services and they do projects, and they talk about agencies, like H2 Academic Solutions and programs, like McKinney Vento, so they're expanding that to Century High School. They had about 10 students in there, which I was really excited about, because it seems like that program is going in Los Lunas Schools, service-learning project class. Basically, I've been excited this year for a new agency that we're able to refer our families to is YDI Family Resource Center, that's been a big helpful tool for our program because they really do take families and working with them. They don't have a big pot of money, but with the money that they have, they're really trying to work with families and trying to direct them into the resources that can help them and stuff more long term than even our program can do. That's kind of our update coming up. We recently met with the Los Lunas Rotary Club, and they sponsored clothes for kids for the Los Lunas Schools. They do it just before Thanksgiving for the holidays. So, we're getting ready to start working on that. They sponsor about 80 students this year from the Los Lunas Schools, and they do \$100 clothing shopping spree at Walmart. So that's our update.

Jeremias: Awesome. Thank you so much, Camille. You've been very busy. I know typically we get an update from Camille on McKinney Vento Los Lunas; I think it'd be appropriate if we could reach out to Belen schools to get with the new McKinney Vento liaison. Christine, if you might be able to send an invite that way, we can get an update from Camille and from Belen Schools on any McKinney Vento items that they've been working on. Just so we can continue that dialog with Los Lunas and Belen.

Christine: I think that would be wonderful to include Belen Consolidated Schools. I have her contact information from the Attendance for Success, and I will extend an email so that she can present something at our December meeting.

Jeremias: Thank you, any questions for this update before moving forward? Hearing none, item L.

L. Other business

a. Badlands Drive-In – November 8th

Christine: Thank you, Jeremias. So, we've been working with the youth on creating a flyer for our movie night at the Badlands on November 8th. We wanted to do sort of a fundraiser for them this year, and we thought hosting a movie at the Badlands would be a great fundraiser for the youth, as it'll bring in community throughout Valencia County and possibly Albuquerque, depending on who the youth know. We are going to show Elf the movie. We are only accepting cash for the concession stand and the movie tickets. Reach out to the youth as each will sell five initially. Then as it gets closer, we'll post it everywhere as much as possible. I'll post it to the Facebook page, and possibly to the JJAB website. We will have food trucks there but still need to be finalized. We'll have them finalized by the end of this week. Do you guys have any questions for the Badlands Drive-In movie night?

Linda: How many slots are available for that evening?

Christine: We have a 40-car limit. However, we're allowed to sell more tickets, but they will have to bring in their own chairs and blankets so they can cozy up and watch this movie. Thank you, Linda.

Linda: Thank you.

Jeremias: Before you proceed Christine, I want to give all the credit to the Youth Subcommittee, because they've really been the ones who've really helped us put this together. As you can see the flyer, we had a Youth Subcommittee meeting last night where they voted on it. We've got some tickets that we're going to be printing out and disseminating to the youth so that they can sell them accordingly. As Christine mentioned, we do have a 40-car limit, so it's like first come first serve, right? I'll be the parking lot guy, and I'll inform movie-goers whenever we hit capacity, but we'll definitely have some chairs and some additional tables for any overflow. That way people you know aren't having to sit on the floor and stuff like that. They can still come and enjoy the movie and have a good time. I just wanted to say thanks to the Youth Subcommittee for really getting this situated for us. We really feel this is something important. And ever since I could remember, you know, starting with the JJAB, I remember discussions about whether the County could do fundraising, or the youth could do like fundraisers, and it was always no but I did work with our finance team. I did work with our legal counsel to make sure that we had this set up accordingly. That way we're not breaking any rules and that we're doing everything by the book. Just for your information, for the board, any monies that are received via this fundraising event will have to be budgeted within Valencia County Treasurer's office. The Grants Department has already done its due diligence to get a formal budget set up and once we get these funds from this event received, they will go into the County budget. We already have line items set up to where we can go back and do some fun events with the kids, whether we want to do some trainings like Miss Griego had mentioned earlier. You know, that Narcan certification, and having the kiddos able to administer the Narcan. That'd be something pretty awesome. I know Noelle had done a great Narcan training to get the kids certified, but we already have a bunch of other youth on board that weren't able to participate in that. So just wanted to make sure that we can expand and continue to have things available for the youth and a way to say thank you at the end of the year. We're very excited to have that fundraising opportunity in place. This is just the first of many we hope to essentially get our feet underneath. That way we can get to a good spot where we can have two events a year or maybe three. We'll just see how it goes. But it is pretty intensive with the amount of work that's required for this kind of stuff. We do plan to meet with the kiddos on November 3rd, I believe, which is a Sunday that way we can get out, get on site, look to see where we want the kids to be set up with the concession stand and how we're going to organize the parking. It's something great for the kids to be a part of, right? Like they are engaging with the community. They're conversing with the community. They're obtaining skills that are ultimately going to benefit them as they progress as they enter adulthood. With that said, are there any questions?

Linda: I apologize, even though I have the Youth Subcommittee senior member in my household that I did not ask about the concession stand. Are you going to be utilizing the concession stand?

Jeremias: Unfortunately, the concession stand is under construction, so we're going to have our tent. We're going to encapsulate it that way it's not so cold, but we will be having a makeshift concession. And yes, the kids will help. For the most part, Christine is going to be the one kind of handling the money situation, but the kids are going to be involved with selling candy bars, selling pickles, and we're going to have Gatorades and some soda pop. But, to Christine's point, we are going to have some food truck vendors out there. I think we're looking at Tome Todo and Double Cup Coffee. So, you know, we want to make sure and have some warm drinks as it is going to be in November. But, I mean, it just kind of goes back to how it used to be, right, like the drive ins and, you know, just having that sense of family, we really want this to be family oriented.

Linda: We will be out of town. But and, this may be inappropriate so please stop me if it is, the reason I actually wondered about the concession stand is, you know, perhaps as any parent who wants to, or any board member who would like to, maybe there could be a list of what you all want to, you know, sell at the concession stand. So that any of us want to donate an item that would just add further to what the youth are able to make as a profit to continue, like I said, with the retreats, with trainings, anything else that they would like to do. So, I think as a parent, you know, board members, community members, I think we're always looking at ways to be engaging and to volunteer, but sometimes we don't know how. This might just be another opportunity. Thank you. Anyway, that's my suggestion.

Jeremias: That's a wonderful plug, and I mean that just kind of speaks to the experience that Linda has with these community events. Christine, if you wouldn't mind getting an email drafted up so we can look at it together and send out to the board any potential items that they might want to donate to help out the kiddos at the concession stand.

Holly: Would you include us in that?

Jeremias: Of course, Christine, if you can include H2 Academic Solutions on that email distribution.

Christine: Absolutely.

Jeremias: Okay, great. Like I said, we should have tickets by the end of the week, and we don't know exactly how it's going to roll out, but we'll work with the kids that way they can reach out to the board members individually to see if they'd be interested in purchasing tickets. We have the meeting minutes that we can look back on and make offers to any of the community members that are participating. So, like I said, come out. We look forward to seeing everybody at this event and making it very successful. Not for us, but for the kids, that way they can own this one. With that said, are there any questions on the Badlands Drive-in? Okay, I just also wanted to bring up some other stuff that the county is working on in conjunction with the Opioid Remedial Collaboration. So, Miss Shauna Hartley and I have been working with Belen Schools and the Los Lunas Schools to implement a Safety-First curriculum. Thank you, Superintendent Sanchez, for making time available for you and your staff to convey what that curriculum is all about. The best way to describe it is, you know, at one point we had dare, right? But dare was never an evidence-based type of delivery mode and this particular program, Safety First, essentially talks about opioid use, about mental health and feeling good about yourself. There's curriculum that's delivered in a 13-hour total curriculum that essentially is trying to train Belen Schools staff and Los

Lunas Schools staff, that way they could be certified to then incorporate this Safety-First curriculum. And deliver it on a frequency that suits them, so that it's not just to a particular group of kids, but eventually it can make its way through the whole school districts and be part of that. As I mentioned, we had a meeting with Belen schools. We're looking at working with Desi Garcia to see about getting the SROs trained in this. That way the SROs could be the ones who are certified and could deliver this in 15- or 30-minutes. We want it to be something that is suitable for them to deliver. And like I said, it's just something that we really feel strongly about, this Opioid Remedial Collaboration. It isn't going anywhere, this settlement money is going to be part of the community for many, many years. So, we really want to get involved with the local schools to bring to light the issues that that our young kids are faced with. I mean, I didn't grow up with fentanyl overdoses and stuff like that, it's just a different time and it's a challenging time. We just want to make sure that the kids growing up are informed about this stuff, and they know how to address it or how to handle it and convey that information to the generations coming through. With that said, are there any questions on the ORC Safety-First curriculum? Hearing none. Christine, did you have any other business that we wanted to talk about?

Christine: Yes, it was just a brief update on the bylaws we're working on drafting up some edits, and we're going to send it to you probably in November to vote on in our December meeting. Jeremias, did you want to add on to that?

Jeremias: Like Christine said, just be on the lookout for that email. We're going to make some minor revisions to the bylaws more so just around the Youth Subcommittee involvement. Now that we received our new agreement from CYFD, they raised the stipend amount to \$40. So that's wonderful news but the way we're kind of proposing this change is the kids will be eligible for \$40 so be it that it's a community event they participate in. We're still going to keep the \$25 stipend for like meetings right, like as they attend meetings, such as these meetings and the Youth Subcommittee meetings. That way we don't blow through our budget quite as quickly, but I just think it's something like I said, we want to have indicated in the bylaws, and then if you have any questions, feel free to reach out on that.

M. Public Comment

Jeremias: One other thing I kind of wanted to go back to, and it might be appropriate to go into public comment, but Mandy and Miss Griego and I met them at the YDI Get Up, Get Moving event, and we very much look forward to taking advantage of the services that Jo Ann can offer. So, we will be in contact with her. We will convey anything that's discussed to the board about when, what and why we want to do particular things with the Youth Subcommittee, and potentially any of the board members, if they want to participate in these meetings we will extend that invitation. Like I said, the discussion we had with Mandy, and I'm not sure if Warden Randy Gutierrez is on the line, but so we have the Medicaid and Assisted Treatment program that is within the detention center, I think, with working with Mandy to try to expand that continuity of care as individuals are released back into the community. They have some wonderful telehealth options that we could look at implementing for some of the inmates that are transitioning out of from being detained back into the community. We always find shortfalls because of the limited resources we have for that particular group of individuals. So, you know, we just want to take advantage of

any resources that we have. With that said, I just wanted to move into public comment. And Mandy, did you have anything else that you wanted to convey?

Mandy: I don't think so, like you said, I'd prefer a partnership in direct with whoever would be specific to. Who we'd be dealing with, and then we can report back on what our successes, and then take opinions or feedback to see how we can benefit better. But I think getting it started and getting to the right people is a great start.

Jeremias: Awesome, thank you so much again, Mandy, and as I mentioned, we'll make sure and include you on the VMAT meetings that we have. We have them here in person, and they're available via zoom. So, keep a lookout for that email. Deputy Chief Giron, do you have any updates, comments, or concerns?

Deputy Chief Giron: I just want to thank everybody for your efforts and everything that you're doing here. I've already shared your Roadrunner Festival with my personnel, so hopefully we'll get some personnel there. If you guys have any questions from me, feel free to holler.

Jeremias: Thank you so much, sir. Grace, was there anything else that you wanted to talk about?

Grace: No, I put my contact information in the chat. So, anyone that wants us to go help with presentations or anything along that line, let me know, reach out to us and we'll help you guys out any way we can. I know you were also talking about previously incarcerated youth. They can benefit from the FAFSA as well. And the FAFSA is not just colleges, trade as well, so we can help them navigate them.

Jeremias: Christine can send out the emails for those that are in attendance, because I think we want to connect. Please forward to Noelle and Holly. Andrea, did you have anything that you wanted to talk about? Any comments?

Andrea: I have my coalition meeting coming up in November, but I'm not exactly sure of the date, but I can send that information to you when I get it.

Jeremias: Andrea, if you would include myself and Christine so we can disseminate that information, put it on our Facebook page, and, you know, be good partners.

Andrea: Thank you.

Jeremias: So, I'll open it up. Anybody in the room, any comments, concerns, any upcoming events? Okay, hearing none. We're at the closeout. So just for everybody's information, the next Juvenile Justice Advisory Board meeting is December 10, at 12pm we will be back in the commission chambers, so we'll have a little bit more room. Voting should be done by then. And as Christine mentioned, we will need to do some voting. Your participation is very much appreciated. We're also very much actively looking for a vice chair. You know Heather's been a wonderful chair since she's taken board, but we just haven't really had any luck on having a vice chair to be able to maintain that position. So, if you have any questions, any suggestions on who might be able to fill that seat, please feel free to reach out to myself or Christine, you guys kind of see what we do and how we go about it, but we would just very much like to get that seat filled.

N. Adjournment

Jeremias entertains a motion to adjourn.

Jhonathan accepts the motion.

Camille seconded the motion. All I's...zero no's. Meeting adjourned at 1:15pm.

Next Regular JJAB Meeting – December 10th @ 12pm