

MINUTES OF THE NEW MEXICO JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 16, 2021 10:00 AM
Virtual Meeting via ZOOM

I. Call to Order at 10:00 AM – Anthony Trujillo, Chair

II. Roll Call for Quorum: Cindy Varela, Grants Management Unit Manager

A quorum was established with the following members present:

Members Present

Anthony Trujillo, Chair	Tom Swisstack	Hon. Angie Schneider
Danielle Trujillo	Oscar Gonzalez	Carmela Romero for Keryl Work
Hon. Alan Kirk	May Sagbakken	Tina Harris
Sarah Gettler	Moneka Stevens	Ted Lovato
Anna Maria Marshall	Albino Garcia Jr.	Joel Hamilton

Members Absent

Michelle Torres	Ron West	Jenavieve Salas
Ruben Barreras	Roshanna Toya	Helen Cheromiah

Guests in Attendance

Grace Telles	Bianca Padilla	Judith Lovato
Desa Malina	Elly Hollon	Jesus Romero
Julie Sanchez	Miko Birdsong	Nora Lovato
Rebecca Armstrong	Susan Gonzalez	Martha Youts
Bette Fleishman	Sandra Wilder	Mari Willow
Karen Hutchison	Amber Mayhall	Jeanette Borunda
Perry Lawson	James Kerlin	Donna
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Staff in Attendance

William Kearney, Special Programs Manager	Consuelo Garcia, Grants Manager
Cindy Varela, Grants Management Unit Manager	Louis Pacias, Grants Manager
Patti Vowell, Statewide JDAI Coordinator	Samantha Rendon, Grants Manager
Samantha Armendariz, Compliance Coordinator	Amanda Gray, Operations Research Analyst
Corey Adams, Associate Deputy Director	Jeff Kolenda, Operations Research Analyst
Carolyn Casillas, Chief JPO	Kelly Jo Parker, Chief JPO

III. Welcome and Approval of Agenda:

Chairman Anthony Trujillo welcomed all.

Roll call vote was conducted by Ms. Varela; a quorum was confirmed.

Chair Trujillo called for a motion to approve the Agenda. Judge Kirk made the motion, seconded by Joel Hamilton. Roll call was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes:

June 17, 2021: Joel Hamilton moved to approve the June 17, 2021 minutes as drafted. Judge Alan Kirk seconded the motion. Roll call vote conducted by Ms. Varela. Motion carried unanimously.

July 8, 2021: Motion to approve the minutes of the June 4th, 2021, meeting made by Judge Schneider and

seconded by Judge Kirk. Roll call vote conducted by Ms. Varela. Motion carried unanimously.

V. JJAC Subcommittee Updates:

a) Executive Subcommittee-Archival Trujillo, Chair

ACTION ITEM – Vice Chair Selection: Chair Trujillo introduced having a Vice Chair nominated and approved at the meeting. Albino Garcia, Jr. nominated Judge Schneider, seconded by Joel Hamilton. No other nominations were introduced. Roll call vote was conducted by Ms. Varela. Motion carried unanimously, with Judge Schneider abstaining.

b) Grants & Programs Subcommittee- Judge Alan Kirk

Judge Kirk summarized Continuum FY21 spending, the first two months of FY22 spending, and the Subcommittee's interest in spending down the Continuum Funds balance.

ACTION ITEM - Approval of Recommendation for \$500K Interim Funding Cycle: Judge Kirk shared that the Subcommittee was looking for a JJAC vote to recommend a SFY 2022 interim funding cycle to the Cabinet Secretary, using \$500,000 of the Continuum Funds balance. Judge Schneider moved for JJAC to recommend a \$500,000, interim funding cycle, with the motion seconded by Thomas Swisstack. After discussion, the roll call vote was conducted by Ms. Varela. The motion carried unanimously.

c) Board Development Subcommittee – Sarah Gettler

Ms. Sarah Gettler reported that the Subcommittee has been working on adjustments to the JJAC By-Laws, particularly Article VII, addressing Subcommittees and Article XI, addressing Conflict of Interest, and noted that the Subcommittee hopes to bring the changes to the full Committee for a vote at the next meeting. Ms. Gettler shared that a Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form has been reviewed by CYFD General Counsel, the Subcommittee is now reviewing it, and it will then be ready for JJAC to adopt.

d) Planning & Legislative Subcommittee – Judge Angie Schneider

ACTION ITEM – Approval of Workplan Format and Workplan Management Process: The format for the Three-Year State Plan Workplan was reviewed and the process for developing the Workplan shared. Judge Kirk made a motion to approve the Workplan format and process, and the motion was seconded by Thomas Swisstack. A roll call vote was conducted by Ms. Varela and the motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEM – Approval of Strategic Plan Document: Draft introductory materials were added to the approved Three Year State Plan goals and objectives, to create a sharable Three-Year State Plan document. A motion was made by Joel Hamilton to approve the document, seconded by Judge Kirk. A roll call vote was conducted by Ms. Varela and the motion carried unanimously.

Judge Schneider shared she and JJAC Chair Trujillo will be looking to meet with the newly appointed CYFD Cabinet Secretary, retired Senior Justice Barbara Vigil.

e) System Improvement Subcommittee- Albino Garcia, Jr.

Mr. Garcia shared a series of topics he projects the System Improvement Subcommittee will be working on, including continued work on the Internal JJAC Assessment, and moving Race Equity oversight from the Executive Subcommittee to the System Improvement Subcommittee. This will be discussed by the Subcommittee and brought forward as an Action Item at a future meeting.

VI. JJAC Responsibilities Review – William Kearney

As a follow-up to the June 16th quarterly JJAC meeting, Mr. Kearney shared the federal legislation and state statute that define JJAC roles and responsibilities. There were no questions.

VII. Updates – Written reports submitted by staff

a) State Executive and Legislative Update – Provided by Judge Schneider

Judge Schneider shared work being done by a legislative commission on Family Representation, which will be on the Governor's Call. Judge Schneider stated that there will be more to update on legislation for the next meeting.

b) Federal Update – Bill Kearney, Special Programs Manager/Juvenile Justice Specialist

No questions or comments.

c) Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative – Patti Vowell, Statewide JDAI Coordinator

No questions or comments.

d) Grants Management Unit Update - Cindy Varela, Grants Management Unit Manager

No questions or comments.

e) Detention and Compliance Monitoring Update – Samantha Lucas, Compliance Coordinator

No questions or comments.

VIII. Continuum Coordinator Update

Bianca Padilla, Grant County Continuum Coordinator, provided the Coordinator update. This included sending a card to past JJAC Chair Doug Mitchell's family from the Coordinators, introduction of new Coordinator leadership team members (Elly Hollon from Chaves County and Rebecca Armstrong from Torrance County), struggles finding and hiring qualified candidates for jobs working in their programs, the uptick in gun violence, their support for the interim funding cycle, and a welcome to Miko Birdsong with the new Curry County Continuum.

IX. Public Comment

Mari Willow asked about where to find the application for the funding cycle, and Cindy Varela described the process via county/local fiscal agencies. There were no other public comments.

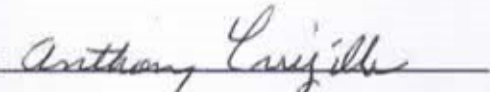
X. Adjournment

Mr. Trujillo thanked everyone for their participation.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Thomas Swisstack and seconded by Judge Schneider. Ms. Varela conducted the roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

The next proposed meeting to be held on Thursday, December 16, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Minutes Approved on 12 / 16 / 2021

by: 
Anthony Trujillo, Chair