



Doña Ana County Juvenile Justice Continuum Board Agenda

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ON THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2019

12:00 PM

LAS CRUCES CITY HALL ROOM #2007B

LAS CRUCES, NM 88001

1. Call To Order
2. Pledge Of Allegiance
3. Welcome And Introductions
4. Conflict Of Interest
 - At the opening of each meeting, the Chairperson shall ask if any member on the Board or City staff has any known conflict of interest with any item on the agenda.
5. Acceptance Of Agenda
6. Approval Of Minutes
- 6.1. Dona Ana County Juvenile Justice Continuum Board Minutes
 - Documents:
 - [DACJJ CONTINUUM BOARD 05.09.19.PDF](#)
7. Public Participation
8. New Business
- 8.1. Quarterly NMJJAC Meeting (Update)
- 8.2. FY19 Continuum Status Final Report (Update)
9. Old Business
- 9.1. Discussion And Planning For Continuum Needs Assessment
10. Adjournment

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**DONA ANA COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE CONTINUUM BOARD
May 09, 2019**

1 Following are the summary minutes from the Dona Ana County Juvenile Justice
2 Continuum Board meeting held on Thursday, May 09, 2019, at 12:00 p.m., in Conference
3 Room 2007B of City Hall, 700 N. Main, Las Cruces, New Mexico.
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5 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Honorable Marci E. Beyer, Chair (3rd Judicial District)
6 Sergeant Robert McCord, (Voting Authority, LCPD)
7 Brian Kavanaugh (Families & Youth Inc.)
8 Eric Lopez (Las Cruces Public Schools)
9 Judy Baca (Voting Authority, Mesilla Valley Hospital)
10 Greg Smith (Voting Authority, Mayor's Office)
11 Richard Johnson (Voting Authority, CYFD)
12 Robert Nunez (City of Las Cruces)
13 Rory Rank (Retiree)
14 Bill Rothengass (Retired)
15 Lt. Ernesto Parra (DACSO)
16 Aaron Salas (CYFD-PS)
17 Andrea Alvarado (Student/Employee)
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19 **ABSENT:** Shannon Reynolds, (DAC Board of Commissioners)
20 Mark D'Antonio (District Attorney Office)
21 Lt. Genny Olivas (Dona Ana County Detention Center)
22 Lindsay McDonnell-Benatar (Public Defender Department)
23 Sylvia Herrera (3rd Judicial District Court)
24 Mike Tapia (NMSU)
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27 **OTHERS PRESENT:** Julie Molina (JARC)
28 Celina Corral (EC DAC)
29 Daisy Maldonado (EC DAC)
30 Monique Lopez (FYI)
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32 **STAFF PRESENT:** Javier Amaro (Coordinator)
33 Daniel Sanchez (CLC Juvenile Citation Program)
34 Eliana Santillan (CLC Juvenile Citation Program)
35 Miguel Terrazas (CLC Juvenile Citation Program)
36 Martha Moreno (Recording Secretary)
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38 **I. CALL TO ORDER**

39 The meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Chair Ms. Beyer and recognized
40 the meeting as having a legal quorum.
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42 **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
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44 **III. INTRODUCTION**

45 Miguel Terrazas, Community Educator for Juvenile Citation Program assist with
46 providing services in the South (Anthony, Sunland Park, Chaparral, etc.).

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2 Eliana Santillan, Community Educator for Juvenile Citation Program for five (5)
3 years.

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5 Monique Lopez with Families & Youth Inc. taking the role of Annabelle Fierro.

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7 **IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

8 No conflict of interest.

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10 **V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

11 Mr. Smith moved to approve agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Salas.
12 Motion carried unanimously.

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14 **VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

15 Ms. Beyer stated her name is misspelled should take the “s” off Beyers.

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17 Mr. Smith moved to approve minutes for March 13, 2019 with its corrections,
18 seconded by Mr. Rothengass. Motion carried unanimously.

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20 **VII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

21 Mr. Rank stated the mentor program met with JJAC and JCP to discuss programs
22 that can assist with prevention in middle schools. Currently they are working with
23 Lynn Middle School, programs provided are: Mariposa taught by Grace Tellez,
24 Street Law, and Family Development & Personal Communications taught by
25 Mike. Goal is to have a trauma therapist onsite full-time. Lieutenant Governor will
26 be visiting site, hope to get funding.

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28 Ms. Beyer asked what time will they be meeting on Monday?

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30 Mr. Rank stated at 2:45 p.m.

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32 **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

33 **A. Quarterly NMJJAC Meeting (Update) – Javier Amaro**

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35 A quorum was not reached. Councilor Smith welcomed the New Mexico JJAC
36 board members that attended. JJAC discussed that there would be new changes
37 in the board once the Governor finalizes the appointees. Funding will remain the
38 same and the new CYFD Secretary is looking at allocating more funding for
39 prevention and diversion from other sources.

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41 **B. CYFD Site Visit and Audit (Update) – Javier Amaro**

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43 The JJAC Unit met with the City of Las Cruces and JARC. During the visit, there
44 were no specific findings identified that need to be addressed. There are
45 recommendations that would enhance the Program, and best practices identified
46 being used by the Program that others could benefit from such as applying for re-
47 designation as a “Best Practice Model” with OJJDP and implementing the
48 standard CYFD background checks for all regular staff who work at the JCP. JJAC
49 unit stated they appreciated the full cooperation by all city officials that were part
50 of the program audit. A copy of report will be sent out to Dona Ana County JJAB
51 members.

1 Mr. Rank thanked Mr. Amaro doing a “Great Job”!
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3 C. FY19 Continuum Status Report for 3rd Quarter (Update) – Javier Amaro
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5 Provided an expenditure report to board members. Currently the Continuum
6 budget shows JCP Level 1 and Level 3 funding will not be fully expended within
7 the last quarter. Reasons are as follows: Significant reduction in JPO referrals
8 continue, a new process involving substance abuse offenders to attend therapy,
9 and a backlog of class III citations from DASO has affected the amount of JCP
10 referrals.
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12 Ms. Beyer stated we have quarterly meetings with law enforcement in the south.
13 We are trying to get those reports quicker and not sure if it’s happening or not.
14 Regarding the numbers I’m in shock because my numbers are going up
15 significantly in court and I think when I started, we were at low point 250. Last year
16 we had 370 and this year 500 part of that the demographic population involved
17 with our juvenile justice is growing and surprised that has not made up for your
18 substance abuse. Interested in seeing why numbers are low.
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20 Mr. Salas stated he attends the quarterly meetings. DASO emails their referrals
21 (class 3) at one point they were getting a steady stream, now they are receiving
22 in groups; they are working on getting this resolved.
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24 Ms. Beyer stated that the sheriff department was sending referrals monthly it was
25 an agreement that was put in place long time ago. They are working on making
26 changes.
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28 Ms. Lopez stated that they have a new program that is funded through the county
29 “The Youth Intervention Program” its money that’s specifically used for the
30 southern county kids in 3rd – 6th grade some of the referrals are going to JPO that
31 cannot be processed through the JARC. We can provide intensive home case
32 management services. I would like to be part of that meeting. So, we can saturate
33 them with the services provided in the south.
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35 Ms. Beyer asked Monique to send an email to Kathy Alvarez so she can be invited
36 to the next Juvenile Justice meeting.
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38 Mr. Amaro stated that a Budget Adjustment Request (BAR) in the amount of
39 \$35,665.00 was submitted to the JJAC for approval to move those funds from
40 JCP to JARC.
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42 Ms. Beyer asked how does the JARC continue to provide services with a sudden
43 influx of money.
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45 Mr. Kavanaugh stated they have not been able to bill for case management for
46 two months; money has been zeroed out; not an issue to continue services and
47 get reimbursed.
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49 D. Discussion and Planning for Continuum Needs Assessment (Update) – Javier
50 Amaro
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1 Last assessment was done four years ago. It would be ideal to meet with board
2 and community partners to share data along with ideas on what areas (targets)
3 the community feels continuum should focus on concerning at-risk youth. A
4 subcommittee is suggested as well as input amongst board members via email.
5 Will email previous assessment to board members
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7 Mr. Kavanaugh suggested that it should be an agenda item; to give updates
8 (JCP/JARC).
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10 Mr. Amaro stated next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday July 11 at 12:00
11 p.m.
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13 **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

14 Mr. Smith moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rory. Motion carried unanimously.
15 Meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.
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Chairperson Date