

**DONA ANA COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE CONTINUUM BOARD
FEBRUARY 11, 2016**

1 Following are the summary minutes from the Dona Ana County Juvenile Justice
2 Continuum Board meeting held on Thursday, February 11, 2016, at 12:00 p.m., in
3 Conference Room 2007A of City Hall, 700 N. Main, Las Cruces, New Mexico.
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5 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Honorable Marci Beyer (Chair, 3rd Judicial District)
6 Chief Jaime Montoya (LCPD)
7 Lieutenant Joshua Flemming (DAC Detention Center)
8 Brian Kavanaugh (Families & Youth, Inc.)
9 Dr. David Garcia (DAC Board of Commissioners)
10 Deputy Chief Dunivan (LCPD)
11 Deborah Varol (Public Defenders Office)
12 Joe Mestres (LCPS)
13 Jeanne Resendez (Mesilla Valley Hospital)
14 Greg Smith (Mayor Pro-Tem City of Las Cruces)
15 Cynthia Ohrazda (JPO/CYFD)
16 Amy Weathers (JPO/CYFD)
17 Mark Johnston (City of Las Cruces)
18 Rory Rank (Retiree)
19 Deborah Blalock (NMSU Student)
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21 **ABSENT:** Cecilia Rosales (CYFD)
22 Cynthia Clark (District Attorney Office)
23 David S. Borunda (3rd Judicial District Court)
24 George Guynn (CYFD Juvenile Justice Services)
25 Berenice Holguin (Lead SPED Social Worker, GISD)
26 WMM Rothengass (Retiree)
27 Ken Robert (DAC Sheriff)
28 Lisa Garza (NMSU Student)
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30 **OTHERS PRESENT:** Julie Molina (Families & Youth, Inc.)
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32 **STAFF PRESENT:** Javier Amaro (Juvenile Justice Continuum Coordinator)
33 Phillip Catanach (CLC Parks & Recreation Department)
34 Andrea Bray (CLC Juvenile Citation Program)
35 Ky Baeza (CLC Juvenile Citation Program)
36 Stephanie Giron (CLC Juvenile Citation Program)
37 Jessica Trejo (CLC Juvenile Citation Program)
38 Martha Moreno (Recording Secretary)
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40 **I. CALL TO ORDER – Board Chair**
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42 Meeting was called to order by Ms. Beyers at 12:01 p.m.
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44 **II. ROLL CALL FOR QUORUM**
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46 Ms. Beyer's asked attendees to introduce themselves.

1 Roll call taken by Mr. Amaro. Quorum present.

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3 **III. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

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5 Ms. Beyer welcomed everyone to the Juvenile Justice Continuum Board quarterly
6 meeting.

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8 **IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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10 No comments.

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12 **V. OLD BUSINESS**

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14 A. Approve minutes of 10/06/15 DACJJC Board Meeting

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16 Ms. Beyer asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

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18 Chief Montoya moved to approve the minutes.

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20 All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

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22 B. Update on Dona Ana County Contribution Funding – Dr. Garcia

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24 Dr. Garcia stated that the Dona Ana County has not contributed to the DACJJC Board.

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26 Ms. Beyers stated that in 2014 at that time Continuum Coordinator Amber Parker
27 prepared a projected \$32,000.00 to utilize for additional funding towards the Dona Ana
28 County Continuum and no additional information was received. Ms. Beyers contact Mr.
29 Billy Garrett with the county and he forwarded the original email to Ms. Brown to check
30 on status.

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32 Chief Montoya asked to clarify the request from the county, is it to fund operations in the
33 south?

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35 Ms. Beyers stated the funds would cover travel and programs in the south.

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37 Ms. Beyers has asked Mr. Amaro to update the projected funding.

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39 Mr. Amaro is working on the funding to be presented to the Dona Ana County
40 Commissioners.

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42 **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

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44 A. Nominate Brian Kavanaugh (Acting CEO-F.Y.I)

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46 Mr. Kavanaugh stated that he has been filling in for Mr. Fietze during his absence. Mr.
47 Fietze is no longer able to attend due to medical reasons.

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49 Mr. Rank moved to nominate Mr. Brian Kavanaugh into the DACJJC Board.

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51 Mr. Johnston seconded.

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2 All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

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4 Ms. Beyers stated she was approached by Denni Cheney who would like to be a member
5 of the board. She is the CEO for The Bridge of Southern New Mexico the organization
6 facilitates collaboration and leverages resources between public and private sectors
7 to support educational excellence and optimize the workforce in Doña Ana County.

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9 Ms. Beyers moved to nominate Denni Cheney, President/CEO, The Bridge of Southern
10 New Mexico.

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12 Mr. Smith seconded.

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14 All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

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16 B. Update on FY2017 Grant Application and JCP mid-year report – Javier Amaro

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18 Mr. Amaro stated that the 2017 grant application was submitted to be reviewed by JJAC.
19 FY 2017 proposed a budget increase for programing (tutoring/mentoring/truancy) by
20 20% from \$314,326.00 to \$385,583.00.

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22 According to Mr. Amaro JJAC requested the following:

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- If you had to do a cut back what would it be? Response was to not implement the truancy program.
 - Also requested completion data from fiscal year 2015? Response with the data was submitted.
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29 Mr. Amaro stated that he will send the information on the JCP-T program to the board
30 members.

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32 Mr. Amaro stated that he will be attending the JJAC meeting in February in Silver City
33 and the JJAC will further review and make recommendation on the grant application.
34 The JJAC highly recommends that two (2) student members from the board attend –
35 Deborah will be attending.

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37 Mr. Amaro stated that Parks & Recreation Department, Youth Services Section
38 implemented a new tutor-mentoring program in January 2016 in conjunction with the
39 Weed & Seed Program. NMSU is providing the tutor who will service the City of Las
40 Cruces and outside entities.

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42 Mr. Amaro provided a 6 month status report for the months July 2015 – January 2016 at
43 this we are at 50% expenditure.

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- The completion numbers for 2015: JCP I-54, JCP II-226, JCP III-61.
 - The JCP staffing is at 100% for FY16.
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48 **VII. Presentation-Informational:**

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50 A. Truancy-Joe Mestres, Las Cruces Public School.

1 Mr. Mestres stated that chronic truancy is more of an issue and should be further
2 emphasized. Dona Ana County Magistrate Court will be taking a more active role with
3 truancy cases.
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5 **VIII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: TBA**
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7 Next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, April 7 at 12:00 p.m.
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9 Ms. Beyers stated that the board will be scheduling a meeting to discuss
10 objectives and goals. Mr. Amaro will email the board members with dates to select from.
11 Meeting will be from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
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13 A. An executive committee meeting may be called at the discretion of the chair.
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15 **IX. ADJOURN**
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17 Ms. Beyers asked for a motion to adjourn.
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19 Mr. Rank moved to adjourn.
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21 Ms. Johnston seconded.
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23 Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:57 p.m.
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Chairperson 4/28/16
Date