

MINUTES OF THE
SANTA FE COUNTY
DWI PLANNING COUNCIL

October 13, 2011

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This regular meeting of the Santa Fe County DWI Planning Council was called to order by Chair Jim Jackson at approximately 8:40 a.m. on the above-cited date at 2052 S. Galisteo, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

A quorum was present with the following individuals present:

Members Present:

Jim Jackson, Chair
Lisa Wooldridge
Grace Quintana-Trujillo
Richard De Mella
Vivian Nelson [late arrival]

Member(s) Excused:

Ken Coleman
Allen Steele, Vice Chair
Juan Blea
Michael Sisneros

Staff Present:

Joseph Gutierrez, Community Services Director
Steve Shepherd, Health Division Director
Becky Beardsley, DWI Program Department Administrator
Frank Magourilos, DWI Program Senior Certified Prevention Specialist Supervisor
Diolinda Roybal, Santa Fe DWI Program Prevention Specialist
Alice Sealey, Teen Court
Jennifer Romero, Teen Court

Others Presents:

Shelley Mann-Lev, Santa Fe Underage Drinking Prevention Alliance Chair
Sgt. William Pacheco, County Sheriff's Department
Donna Beck, SFPD
Donna Bevacqua-Young, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor, AG's Office
Chris Lucero, TeamBuilders

In the absence of a quorum it was agreed to hear Matters from the Public first.

V. Matters from the Public

Chris Lucero, a prevention specialist working at TeamBuilders Counseling Services in Española distributed a flyer explaining their work. [Exhibit 1] The organization works with teens undergoing significant trauma. They partner with the Santa Fe Mountain Center. He announced there would be a stakeholders meeting on October 25th from 11:00 to 2:00 at 2504 Camino Entrada, and he invited the committee to attend. The Matrix Bear program will be described. It is an intensive four-month outpatient program that is integrated into the community. Kids with substance abuse issues are referred to the agency, whereupon they receive comprehensive community services.

[Member Nelson arrived, establishing a quorum.]

Ms. Mann-Lev asked what the costs to adolescents is. Mr. Lucero explained once a participant is referred he or she goes through an intake process. Private insurance and Medicaid are accepted. A number of different modalities are involved including 12-step programs, resiliency skills, and relapse prevention.

III. Approval of the Agenda

Upon motion by Member De Mella and second by Member Quintana-Trujillo the agenda was unanimously approved.

IV. Approval of Minutes: August 18, 2011

Member Nelson moved to approve. Member Quintana-Trujillo seconded and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

VI. Matters from the Council

Chairman Jackson referred the members to the back of the agenda which lists potential future agenda items. Ms. Beardsley pointed out that the Enforcement Committee is in fact active and meets quarterly as a task force. All nine agencies are included and the last meeting was October 12th. Under the strategic plan Chairman Jackson made mention of the “big hairy audacious goals” – something to move the program forward.

A. Follow-up from previous meetings

Ms. Beardsley stated she has finalized the committee ground rules, which can be found on page 9 of the packets. They were reviewed and approved at the last meeting.

Regarding recognition of previous members, after consultation with the County Manager it was decided to recognize the names during the meeting and sending certificates of recognition to those to be honored.

Nothing regarding the standing item of the Prevention Subcommittee was included in the packet due to the prevention update being presented at this committee. Any members desiring prevention materials (118 pages) should notify Ms. Beardsley specifically.

Ms. Beardsley said she received the distribution number and if the trend continues, they will be \$7,000 to the good. She stressed that it was a moving target and the final numbers are highly variable.

B. Other Matters from the Councilors

Member Wooldridge asked if a date had been assigned for the December meeting. After checking on room availability it was decided to hold the meeting on Thursday, December 15th at the B.F. Young Professional Development Building.

VII. Informational Items

A. Teen Court Presentation [Exhibit 2: Power Point Presentation]

Alice Sealey introduced herself and Jennifer Romero and invited the members to visit court in session. She distributed a brochure describing the program. [Exhibit 3] Ms. Seeley said she has been with teen court for 15 years during which time almost 8,000 teens have been seen. The program is extensive consisting of many hours and many months. She said teen court takes place Wednesday evenings in district court, alternating between traffic offenses and misdemeanors, the latter encompassing substance abuse issues. All first-time offenders appear, referred by the probation office, the schools and the courts. They have to admit guilt and all are sentenced to community service and jury duty. Additionally, all must attend a DWI prevention class led by Peter de Benevides. The goal is to prevent recidivism, a study of which is in the packet and indicates a degree of success.

Ms. Sealey pointed out there are currently 34 active teen attorneys. She distributed media material on the teen attorneys. [Exhibit 4]

The court is based on the restorative justice model and the principle of taking responsibility. Noting his grandson goes to St. Mike's Chairman Jackson said the program is viewed positively there. Ms. Sealey again invited all to attend in order to appreciate the program. Member Wooldridge stated her sons went to traffic court and ended up seeing it as positive.

Ms. Romero indicated she's been with the program for five years. She referred to the substance abuse component for high school students that is outlined in the packet with examples. Interviews elucidate underlying issues such as anger management and low self-esteem. Additionally, there are components dealing with smoking cessation and brain development. There is coordination with the community for graffiti cleanup. Family and individual counseling is provided. The Mountain Center is also used.

Referring to the recidivism study, Ms. Romero said the participants cannot be tracked after they turn 18 for confidentiality reasons but within those constraints they found a 15 percent recidivism rate, which is low. She stressed that they rely on community partners. In response to a question, she and Ms. Sealey explained the role of the Mountain Center in building self-esteem in a safe environment.

VIII. Action Items

A. Reverted Funds Allocation

Ms. Beardsley reported that the entire requested amount, \$168,992, was granted. It will go through the Legal and Finance Departments, to the County Manager for signature, then back to DFA. A BAR will go to the BCC, and the funds should be available the first part of December. She said the budgeting process for FY 13 is due to begin. An application workshop is scheduled for November 3rd. It has to be approved by the PC by the January meeting, then go on to the BCC by the end of that month. The Prevention Subcommittee can tweak their section.

Chairman Jackson said he planned to meet with Frank to put together an email ballot to get an idea of funding priorities.

Mr. Magourilos stated that the CADDy program was discussed at the Prevention Subcommittee.

In response to Chairman Jackson's question about new members, Ms. Beardsley said she spoke with Kristine Mihelcic, the public information officer about advertising in the newspapers for anyone interested in joining. Applicants will be asked to attend the November and December meetings.

Member Nelson praised a supplement in the *New Mexican* treating underage drinking. Mr. Magourilos said that was the work of Glenn Wierenga, and reprints can be requested. Ms. Roybal said one year there was a Spanish version.

Member Nelson made a motion to commend the Traffic Safety Bureau for their work. Member Wooldridge seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Chairman Jackson said he would call Mr. Wierenga.

VII. A. Prevention Program Overview [Exhibit 5: Presentation]

Chairman Jackson reminded those in attendance that this was the first of many comprehensive overviews of the components of the DWI program.

Mr. Magourilos began by saying all of the program prevention strategies align with the National Prevention Strategy under the Surgeon General. It is based on systems theory due to the complex interaction of all the components involved. All partners need to be engaged.

He reviewed the four guidelines set out by DFA. He said they are using 100 percent evidence-based strategies. Mr. Magourilos also went over the six Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) strategies, prevention progress and evaluation measures and the staff duties list. He listed the many partners and activities and Mr. Magourilos provided links to local and national organizations.

Special attention is paid to April as the Alcohol Awareness Month. Effort is applied to ensuring terms are standardized to integrate all disciplines and maximize positive outcomes. The overall budget for FY 12 is \$1,049,469, of which \$432,860 goes to prevention.

Ms. Mann-Lev asked about how they were addressing health disparities. Mr. Magourilos said it was a huge challenge.

Member Wooldridge asked about the Behavioral Health Collaborative. Mr. Magourilos said prevention tends to be low on the priority list because treatment seems more urgent. Additionally, there is competition between physical and behavioral health needs for funding. He referred to community fatigue. Risk and protective factors are an important component.

Chairman Jackson said he appreciated the strategic approach, adding the committee members aren't specialists, which makes it hard to evaluate criteria. He asked that a performance matrix be provided.

Referring to the 60 percent threshold for evidence-based strategies, Ms. Mann-Lev noted that there is not a complete consensus as to what is "evidence based." Beyond some programs that have been thoroughly documented there is a registry of "promising" programs. DFA should provide greater clarification as to what constitutes "evidence based." Mr. Magourilos said there is a state committee to look at that.

Member Nelson asked what percentage of people seeking treatment are able to get it. Ms. Beardsley stated the DWI program used to fund treatment but had to turn money back because the CARE Connection takes all comers. There are 26 outpatient providers but there is a lack of inpatient care across the state. In most cases resources can be found to help people into an outpatient program.

Turning back to a performance matrix, Mr. Magourilos gave an example of the Risk and Resiliency Survey which shows a self-reporting drop of alcohol use among students. Ms. Mann-Lev suggested getting data from the Pojoaque Schools where resources have been brought to bear. Mr. Magourilos said a contract evaluator will be able to clarify the performance of local programs.

Member Wooldridge asked if there are specific goals, i.e., a definitive number of partnerships. Mr. Magourilos said there is no set number; the goal is to engage with as many as possible.

Mr. Gutierrez said the presentation was very helpful and he suggested increasing the amount of quantification in the quest for evidence-based performance. Chairman Jackson spoke in favor of hiring the evaluator as soon as possible.

Member Wooldridge noted it is particularly hard to evaluate the negative side of the equation, that is, the people who are not having alcohol problems.

Chairman Jackson wished Mr. Magourilos luck on his masters degree exam for prevention science.

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IX. Announcements

Next DWI PC meeting – November 10th at 8:30 to 10:30

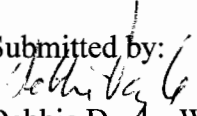
X. Adjournment

This meeting was declared adjourned at approximately 10:18 a.m.

Approved by:


Jim Jackson, Chairman
DWI Planning Council

Submitted by:


Debbie Doyle, Wordswork



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