

MINUTES OF THE
SANTA FE COUNTY
CORRECTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 11, 2013

Santa Fe, New Mexico

This meeting of the Santa Fe County Corrections Advisory Committee was called to order by Chair Frank Susman at approximately 3:05 p.m. on the above-cited date at 4250 Airport Road, Youth Development Program Site, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

The following individuals present:

Members Present:

Frank Susman
Mary Ellen Gonzales
Judy Williams
Michelle George
Steve S. Spenser
Adan Mendoza
Maria Cristina Lopez
Maria Jose Rodriguez Cadiz

Member(s) Excused:

Joan Morales
Mark Caldwell

Staff Present:

Pablo Sedillo, Public Safety Department Director
Mark Gallegos, Warden
Amanda Valencia, Youth Development Program Administrator
Tila Rendon-Varela, Department Administrator, Public Safety Department

[Exhibit 1: Sign-in Sheets]

Approval of the Minutes: June 13, 2013

There was committee consensus that in the future the minutes will be prepared in a summary format. Ms. Rendon-Varela was commended for her work on the minutes.

Ms. Gonzales moved to approve the minutes and Ms. Lopez seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

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General Information

Mr. Sedillo introduced Amanda Valencia, Youth Development Program Administrator, who previously served as the chief investigator at the adult facility. Ms. Valencia has been in this position for five months. Ms. Valencia said this is a secure facility which also houses the day-reporting program, an alternative to incarceration, operating from 8:30 to 4:30, Monday through Friday. Currently, there are four students in this program. Youth are referred to this program by the judges or probation officers.

Mr. Sedillo mentioned a tremendous concern that some youth, that could be 17 years old, have no high school credits and severely lack life skills. It was mentioned that the Regional Juvenile Justice Board is working to establish a partnership with Santa Fe Public Schools and the City and County to establish an alternative school for that population.

Background information on detainees at this facility during 2011 and 2012 was provided. The average age was 17 years; average stay between 11.8 to 12.7 days; a race and nationality breakdown was given. The information for why the individual was incarcerated included property crimes, weapon charges, assault, auto crimes and probation violation.

A recommendation was made to develop consistent detainee categories for reporting purposes to this committee.

Ms. Valencia offered today's count: 16 youth, six from Santa Fe County, two from the US Marshal and the remainder from other counties and the BIA agency. Average population is 20 and age range is 12 to 18. In the past few months there have been three youth from the immigrant population, stated Ms. Valencia

Ms. Valencia offered to provide discharge numbers at a future meeting.

Ms. Rodriguez Cadiz said the community lacks safe temporary housing for victims of human trafficking. Placing victims in a detention center is complicated. Ms. Sedillo said this facility can only accommodate individuals who have been charged. He said a location and funding needs to be secured for these victims. He recognized the inequitable treatment of incarcerating a victim and stated there is a location and he committed to working with Ms. Rodriguez Cadiz on finding funding.

The Committee toured the facility and saw the day program, medical center/behavioral health, and had a meal in the facility.

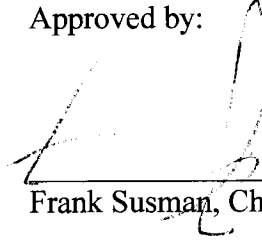
Announcements

Next meeting was scheduled for August 8th at 3 p.m. at the Adult Facility on Highway 14. Following that meeting the CAC will meet every other month.

Adjournment

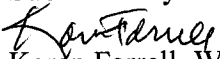
This meeting was declared adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Approved by:



Frank Susman, Chair

Submitted by:


Karen Farrell, Wordswork

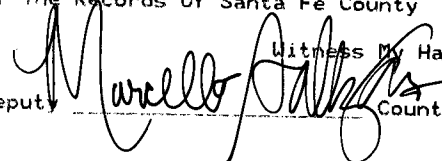
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