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**Nevada State Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission
and Advisory Committee Meeting 01/12/18**

Meeting Minutes

Roll Call:

In Person: Co-Chair Judge Egan Walker, Co-Chair Joey Orduna Hastings, Leslie Bittleston, Frank Cervantes, Jaqueline Pierrott, John Lambrose, Jo Lee Wickes, Katherine Hickman, Kelly Wooldridge, Paula Smith, Pauline Salla-Smith, Rebekah Graham, Assemblyman James Ohrenschall, Scott Shick

Via Video/Phone: Brigid Duffy, Darin Imlay, Eve Hanan, Justice Nancy Saitta, Nina Salomon and Shanelle Johnson from CSG Justice Center, Dr. Lisa Morris-Hibbler, Judge Thomas Stockard, Gianna Verness, Jack Martin, Judge William Voy

Absent: Allen Penaluna, Christian Paz, Elba Gonzalez, Haydyn Williams-Thom, Assemblyman James Oscarson, Captain Shawn Andersen, Senator Julia Ratti, Senator Becky Harris, Patrick Schreiber

Public Comment: None

Updates from Committee Co-chairs

The Strategic Plan Committee agreed on the following criteria for the use of evidence-based programs and services in counties.

- Evidence Based Programs and Services utilized by the counties and funded by any federal grant or pass through money from the State, such as the Community Corrections Partnership Block Grant, must follow the guidelines as presented in Assembly Bill 472.
 - (a) In Fiscal Year 2019-2020, 25 percent.
 - (b) In Fiscal Year 2020-2021, 50 percent.
 - (c) In Fiscal Year 2021-2022, 75 percent.
 - (d) In Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and each subsequent fiscal year, 100 percent.
- Counties have the leeway of using their own general funds on non-evidence-based programs and services needed such as parent groups, juvenile sex offender treatment, and other community-based services which may not be specifically aimed for juveniles.

- Just because a program isn't evidenced based does mean it isn't valuable and necessary – especially when no other programs are available.
- The group looked at criteria from other states on how to assess whether programs are evidence-based and will pursue additional information from Florida and Washington. Shanelle from CSG will provide Mr. Cervantes with contact information for both states.

The Data and Performance Measurement Committee had good conversation regarding recidivism and performance measures. This group reviewed the Data Dictionary definition of recidivism, and shared concerns such as citations youth receive while on probation would not be included as they are often handled informally by the probation officer. This group also discussed performance measures such as educational progress, probation (technical) violation versus a new (criminal) charge, and service providers. The committee determined it would be helpful to reach out to external partners, such as Dr. Leone from UNR, to consult with regarding what performance measures are realistically able to be tracked and how to track those measures in a valid and reliable way.

The Youth Committee currently has four of six designated members. Active Recruitment for the final two members is underway, and those appointments will be announced as soon as possible. This committee would like to visit some of our state facilities in efforts to expand the knowledge and understanding of discussion points for the Youth members. There were also ideas of a meet and greet dinner presented, and Co-Chair Joey Orduna Hastings extended an invite to her family's barbecue restaurant in Reno. Due to lack of funding, the committee has asked fellow Commission members to share ways or ideas on how to ensure Youth engagement. Over the next few meetings, this committee hopes to identify some appropriate/available options.

Review Draft Work Plans

Ms. Alexis Tucey shared that there have been minor adjustments to the Work Plan as advised by committee co-chairs.

Ms. Wooldridge advised an amendment to the tab regarding the LCB Report and Governor's Report. The date should be June 30, 2018 rather than July 1, 2018. Ms. Tucey will make this amendment and ensure that a draft copy is sent to the Governor's Office well in advance of that June 30th deadline.

Commissioner Salla-Smith questioned if this Governor's Report is separate from the OJJDP's Annual Governor's Report.

Specialist Bittleston clarified that it is different but is open to be combined into one document if this group would like to approach it that way.

The Annual Quality Assurance Review includes the tool itself, as well as action items that the JJOC must implement. Part of the Bill requires the selection of a Quality Assurance tool, however there is just \$10,000 in the budget for this. Ms. Wooldridge will work on getting information on presentations and tools available, along with the costs associated. The selection of this tool has been assigned to DCFS staff members. There is money in the state/DCFS budget to hire a part-time individual to conduct Quality Assurance Reviews. This will be addressed and selected by DCFS staff as well.

Ms. Tucey and the Commission members discussed delegation of the goals and strategies outlined in the Work Plan. She reminded the Commission that this document is ever-changing and can be amended as needed. Some tasks assigned in the JJOC tab of the Work Plan, such as Utilization of Tool and Review Process and the Adoption/Implementation of New Regulations have been delegated to the DCFS Staff members and committees as appropriate.

Co-chair Joey Hastings has volunteered to draft bylaws as needed for this Commission for review and approval. Those will be completed by March or April Full Commission meetings.

The Work Plan will be updated to the JJOC Website on a regular basis, every two weeks minimum, as committees and the Full Commission will use this tool to verify updates for any group or task.

Update on Status of Caseload Pro

Ms. Tucey shared that there are currently six counties left in the state that need to work on Caseload Pro conversion. Those remaining six counties have been prioritized to ensure efficiency and help prepare staff in said counties. Washoe County is the largest county waiting for the data migration. It is hopeful that this process will be completed within the next couple months, to give enough time for training and rolling out the changes. Clark County is in the process of being converted and should be live within the next few months. Clark County is past data migration and is working on building out new features with agencies such as the D.A. and Mental Health. There is a baseline for Caseload Pro that is built in to the budget of the Bill; any additional customization by specific counties will need to come out of that county's budget.

The YLS (Risk and Needs Assessment) and MAYSI2 (Mental Health Screening Tool) will be built in to the Caseload Pro system.

Ms. Tucey will be working closely with Larry Stanton at Caseload Pro over the next few months as migration, bridges, and implementation all take place.

Annual LCB Report

Co-Chair Joey Orduna Hastings shared that the Report is on track to be submitted to the LCB by

the end of the month.

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice

Co-Chair Orduna Hastings is working with Patrick Dinen at LCB to schedule a time to present about the JJOC at the Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice. Co-Chair Orduna Hastings assured the commission that nothing will be presented to LCB that has not been seen or approved by the commission, first.

New Business

Specialist Bittleston updated the Commission that the Evidence-Based Resource Center contract. A vendor has been selected via proposals, the report has been completed and will be presented to the Board of Examiners at the February meeting. Once the contract is approved, work will begin on the Resource Center.

Next Steps

The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 9, at 2:00pm.

Public Comment

None at this time

Adjourned: by Co-Chair Joey Orduna Hastings, motioned by Commissioner Salla-Smith, seconded by Commissioner Cervantes and the Commission.