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**Nevada State Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission
Strategic Plan Committee Meeting
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Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: 10am

Roll Call: Judge Egan Walker, Frank Cervantes, Captain Shawn Anderson, Katie Brubaker, Dr. Joe Haas, Shanelle Johnson, Lorna Shepard.

Public Comment: None

Continued Development of Strategic Plan

Ms. Shepard: Starts the meeting with explaining they are going off the April 19th session with refining the plan, to understand what is and is not funded. In conclusion the recommendation is to include and represent items appropriately in the plan. On page 2 of the slides, the discussion topic stems from asking the question whether sustainable funding should be a separate goal and plan. What is recommended is the plan does not separate sustainable funding as a goal. There is the initiative for Evidence Based Practice Resource center that includes an evaluation of Evidence Based practices and maintaining a database, of course. Including inventory, training, helping, and coming to identify whether or not their practices are evidence based and if they need to replace them. This is obviously ongoing funding that is needed. We identified whether or not it is a small dollar value, less than a hundred thousand. Between one hundred and three hundred thousand and then greater than three hundred thousand. Not surprisingly, the Evidence Based Practice Resource Center is going to be greater than three hundred thousand. To summarize, in year one and two, which is starting next fiscal year, through the following fiscal year is 415,000 dollars. Ongoing, starting year three, every year it will be 200,000 dollars to maintain and support. It is a budget category, this will be done through a vendor. So that is one unfunded initiative.

Commissioner Judge Walker: No questions. I like when you help us highlight, in the strategic plan, areas that are going to be because that is where we are going to need and want, and the current and incoming governors help.

Ms. Shepard: In transparency, it does look like there will be a funding source but not ongoing we will road map the idea of the end goal to have our programs and services proven to reduce recidivism. There needs to be an initiative of finding ongoing funding. The other is smaller, less than 100,000 dollars, these are included in AB 472. These are things in the bill that have not gotten ongoing funding. This is a round the clock agency collaboration. This is non-Juvenile Justice, so consider child welfare, schools and etc. How to coordinate a cross system collaboration, the ideal state would be a system of care beyond the Juvenile Justice system in collaboration, it is in the bill, this is ongoing, and it is really an issue of staffing and probably as I understand at the DCFS level, and there is not a person here and that needs to be ongoing funding. Those are the two unfunded items that need help in finding funding. There are a few other options for the cross-agency collaboration personnel needed, let's figure out what those are. We recommend these two, simply be the initiative within the goals, and we can create an appendix, or someone to run with and go find the funding, so they don't get lost. That's our recommendation.

Staff member Sarah Bellows: Explains, we did not have a quorum for this meeting.

Commissioner Judge Walker: I would just recommend, we take this recommendation from our strategic planning partners and make it an agenda item for the next meeting. (Talking directly to Staff member Sarah Bellows)

Ms. Shepard: Okay so to recap, the next meeting will be on the Evidence Based Practice matrix. The definition and recommendation. I don't want to underplay, I am not trying to underplay that, that is a small amount, that 415,000 plus 200 [thousand] a year is not a small thing or a small initiative it is very pivotal. As a reminder, our backup to not having ongoing funding for the Evidence Based Resource Center was to find a subcommittee of experts within the state, throughout the state and counties of course that would be able to fill in some of the gaps in terms of what the resource center is meant to do in terms of supporting providers and counties that is an alternative to not finding funding. So, we do have that in the plan. That is all I've got. We are working on our job plan to review at our half day session on May 17th.

Commissioner Cervantes: The performance measures group has contacted part of our Strategic Planning group to look at some things. They are going to present some of their information at our next meeting, which is real helpful cause we can screen some of that out and bring it back to these committees, and with out delay. That is our next topic, but coming off topic a little, the one question that keeps coming up about those risk assessments is we are still trying to get clarification as to what point MAYSI, which is the mental health screening tool which is really designed for real time assessment and what is going on for the kid right there, primarily for detention classification and figure out what risks are associated with the kids mental health at that time. I can't tell if it is supposed to be specifically for detention or if there is thought that it will be a part of probation assessment at the pre-dispositional risks and needs assessment time.

Ms. Shepard: Okay, now would that be answered in the policy once the policy is defined. I am going through this document to find what our estimated time is on the policy development on MAYSI.

Commissioners: Agree

Commissioner Cervantes: I only bring it up because that was a question at our last meeting, it was really confusing for some of the folks. It was really represented as Detention specific and has kind of transitioned to joining the Risks and Needs assessment, or the YLS It is going to be really important for the Chief Association to know where that lies.

Commissioner Dr. Haas: One of the questions is it looks like the statutes has that the evaluation occurs at the camps and at the training centers as oppose to the detention centers and then on the Evidence Based Practices that programs are funded by the state, does that makes sense from the intent of the law.

Commissioner Brubaker: Agrees

Commissioner Cervantes: Closes meeting.

Public Comment: None

Adjourned: By Co-Chair Commissioner Cervantes at 11:01am.