

Los Alamos Juvenile Justice Advisory Board  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday February 18, 2009  
6:15 pm  
751 Trinity  
Los Alamos, NM

**Present:** Wayne Torpy, Meagan Pfeffer, Jody Benson, Michelangelo Lobato, Grace Brown, Randy Smith, Darla Dover, Vincent Chiravalle, Pat Casados, Tommie Rodriguez, Georgina Williams, Linda Anderman, Heather Teeter, Janine Tulenko, Jody Benson

**Others:** Natalya Staley, Sharon Stover, Debbie Gill, Cheryl Pongratz, Karen Snell, Susan Mack

**1. Welcome and Introductions:** Vice-Chair Torpy called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm. He welcomed everyone and everyone introduced themselves.

**2. Approval of the Minutes** – Wednesday, January 21, 2009. Pat Casados made the motion to approve, Grace Brown seconded. Unanimous approval.

**3. The Teenage Brain Event-**

The budget for the Teenage Brain Event was distributed for review. Pat Casados motioned to approve the budget providing that a pre-registration on the JJAB website be required for the event; Janine Tulenko seconded. Vote was 12 Yes, 1 No.

**4. Subcommittee Reports**

Rules- Cheryl Pongratz reported that there were no current rules issues.

Data and Evaluation – Sharon Stover reported that Davis Innovations will be interviewing the agencies on the process of evaluation of all programs funded by CYFD; work to be completed in April. Davis staff is reviewing information received from these programs and comparing their practices to the suggested best practices recognized by the Centers for Disease Control, the United States Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and other national organizations.

Continuum – Sharon Stover distributed copies of the updated Continuum and requested that everyone review and contact her with any additions. The Continuum will be reviewed again in June/July, '09.

Advocacy – Georgina Williams reported that the Search Institute's Survey will be administered. DWI will fund. The results will be available in the middle of the summer.

Youth – Cheryl Pongratz reported that the members of the Youth committee are being encouraged to work with the TUPAC program and they might be meeting on March 18 before the regularly scheduled JJAB meeting with TUPAC Coordinator, Katie Bridgewater.

Finance- Sharon Stover distributed the financial report and asked that if there were any questions to contact her.

**5. Board Area of Interest:** Regarding CYFD Funding issues at the State Legislature, Sharon

Stover reported that the \$500K that appeared to be “low hanging fruit” for the legislature was taken out of this year's budget from SB79 and everyone was impacted. In Sharon's financial written report, she commented, “So far...funding level for FY10 is at \$2M. However, we have been warned that it could all change as there continues to be a huge loss of recurring revenue despite the anticipated influx of non-recurring revenue (stimulus). All of our representatives are aware of the situation, and we are fortunate to have Representative Wallace on the Legislative Finance Committee. In talking to legislative folks on Monday, 2/16; another \$50-M hit to the existing 348M is anticipated.

**6. CYFD Programs Update** - Vice-Chair Torpy encouraged all to review the CYFD Report developed by Sharon Stover.

**7.** Vice-Chair Torpy thanked Karen Snell, Deputy District Attorney, for attending the JJAB meeting. Karen has agreed to serve on the JJAB and Wayne expressed appreciation on behalf of the Board. He reported that District Attorney Pacheco attended the Tuesday night Council meeting. Wayne thinks the district attorney team has expressed one of the “best attitudes in dealing with Los Alamos County” he's ever experienced.

Vice-Chair Torpy announced that the **Next Regular Meeting Date** is Wednesday, March 18 , 2009, 6:15 PM, Los Alamos School Board Room, 751 Trinity. He reminded everyone that the By-Laws of the JJAB state that an annual meeting of the members shall be held in March of each year. The Board will nominate and elect the new JJAB officers of Chair and Vice-Chair. Nominations are encouraged.

Cheryl Pongratz reminded all that the annual meeting is the time and place to let the board know if you'd like to end your board service.

**8.** The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.