

## JJAB Minutes

Wednesday, June 15, 2011  
Camino Entrada, Pajarito Cliffs Site  
Building 1  
Los Alamos, NM  
6:15 PM

**Board Members Present:** Alan Kirk, Morrie Pongratz, Janine Tulenko, Mike Wismer, David Foster, Pat Casados, Georgina Williams, Megan Pfeffer, Tommy Rodriguez

**Others:** Sharon Marinuzzi, Kristine Coblentz, Jenn Bartram, Bernadette Lauritzen, Cheryl Pongratz, Jane Johnson, Debbie Gill, Susan Mack, Steve Koch, Jin Park, Linda Daly

**1. Welcome** – At 6:15 PM, Chair Alan Kirk welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

**2. Introductions** – Introductions were made by members and visitors.

**3. Approval of Minutes** – Quorum was not reached initially. Minutes were finally approved around 7:15 PM. Pat Casados motioned to approve, Morrie seconded; unanimous approval.

**4. Update from Public Health Nurse** – Megan Pfeffer, RN - Megan reminded everyone that the public health nurse is a state employee through Los Alamos County. The Los Alamos Public Health Office is located at 1183 Diamond Drive, Suite D in Los Alamos across from the High School. Brochures and a Quarterly Service Report were passed out. From January – March 2011, 216 families were served through WIC (a supplemental nutrition education program for women, infants and children); 165 families were seen for health care needs; 5 families were served through Childrens' Medical Services; 4 clients were educated about recent sexually-transmitted infections and HIV/AIDS; 6 patients were educated on infections and diseases and 28 children and adults were immunized against infectious diseases. Additionally, Megan reported that from January – May 2011:

-75 Gonorrhea/Chlamydia tests were performed; 46% were 19 years and younger; approximately 7% were positive for Chlamydia, no Gonorrhea

-59 pregnancy tests were performed; 60% were for 19 years and younger; approximately 6% were positive

-birth control was dispensed to 126 clients; 53% were 19 years and younger

Megan continued: Birth control is dispensed for free but does include counseling on medication, abstinence, and monogamous relationships. She emphasizes that kids should communicate with parents regarding their visit to the Office. Megan has contacted Mr. Hipwood, the health teacher at the High school, and hopes to give information to the 9<sup>th</sup> grade health classes.

Parents need to be “reality based” regarding teens and sex. Parents need to be involved regarding teens and sex. Megan commented that the “truancy program is great” in helping with her mission. The most active times at the office are when school starts, spring and Christmas break.

A discussion involving board meeting participants developed: Pojoaque High School has a clinic in the school. A community has to WANT a school based clinic. As a nurse, Megan cannot diagnose or prescribe medication. The phone number at the Public Health office is 662-4038.

## **5. Reports from Agencies, Programs and Administration -**

**Family Strengths** – Susan Mack reminded all about the Girls Circle offered. FSN is closed in July.

**LACDC** – Bernadette gave an update on the Assets summer schedule. Please visit the JJAB website for info. She requested that the JJAB coordinator email out info on the Assets and that everyone who receives the email to please forward to someone within the community. The community inter-generational prom is scheduled for July 22 at the Betty Ehart Senior Center. She passed around thank you letters to JJAB from the Middle School. Contact Bernadette at [Lauritzen@att.net](mailto:Lauritzen@att.net).

**Los Alamos Family Council** – Cheryl reported that due to lack of referrals, Life Skills will not be offered. Family Council is downsizing and office equipment is available to anyone. LAFC is looking for volunteers to help downsize. Elizabeth Grant is presenting a parenting support group this summer. Contact LAFC at 662-4160 for information. Cheryl added that there will be no funding for TUPAC this year. No RFP has been received from the state for this program.

**YMCA** – Linda reported that the hours at the Teen Center have been adjusted. Parents requested the time changes. Open: Monday – Wednesday - 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM; Thursday – 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM (open mike night); Friday – 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM; Saturday 1:00 PM – 11:00 PM.

Regarding JUNTOS – Jenn is experiencing little success with Los Alamos students participation in the summer. However, there is a July event scheduled at Jemez Falls.

LAYL – The program needs adults. A discussion developed concerning the possibility of creating an expectation of Leadership Los Alamos graduates concerning service with the LAYL program.

Youth Mobilizers finished out the year with a very successful Senior Sidekicks event.

SAN was extremely successful with 357 participants.

**Youth Participation with Board Mission** – Jin Park, Natural Helpers Chair, positively engaged with the meeting, indicating youth support for JJAB. Questions for Jin included a desire to know how to get more youth engaged with JJAB projects. JJAB needs kids to be involved. Morrie stressed that adults need to participate in teen meetings in order to connect. JJAB also needs assistance with communication media.

**County Funding Progress Report** – Alan reported that the United Way proposal was not funded. On Monday, Sharon M., Kristine and Alan met with the county to discuss the RFP for substance abuse and suicide prevention. The Coordinators and Alan also defended the RFP for the general funding for JJAB. We should be hearing soon about what organization is being awarded the county contract for juvenile services.

**6. Board Areas of Interest** – Alan reported that on Friday a meeting will occur concerning the Teen Center Design Selection proposal. The selection committee will make recommendations to the county. He also reminded everyone to include the JJAB logo on any of their JJAB funded program promotional material. Debbie Gill will ending her contract with JJAB at the end of June.

**7. Next Meeting Date:** July 20, 2011, Building 1, Camino Entrada, Pajarito Cliffs, Los

Alamos, 6:15 PM

**8. Adjourn** – Chair Kirk adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM..

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Alan Kirk, Chair JJAB

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