

January 2003

Council Members Present: Sarah Ascienzo, John Frentheway, Hon. Nena James, Steve Lindley, Robert Mayor Narina Nunez, Ric Paul, William Runner, Valerie Seidel, Charles Whiton

DFS Support: Lesley Osen, Les Pozsgi, Chris Smith

Guests: Donna Sheen

Unable to Attend: Mindy Dahl, , Thomas Harrington, Chuck Kratz, , Susan Lehman, John Lumley

Welcome and Introductions: Valerie Seidel called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m., she began the meeting by the introducing new members, Sarah Ascienzo and Charles Whiton, to the Council members who had not met them.

Minutes from the November 13, 2002 meeting were reviewed. Bill Runner moved that the minutes be approved, Charlie Whiton seconded. Minutes were approved.

Charlie Whiton asked for updates regarding Title 14. Val Seidel reported she had attended the last Title 14 committee meeting. Les Pozsgi and Donna Sheen will be presenting a Title 14 update at this Council meeting. Val gave a brief overview of Title 14 revision and the support of Title 14 by the Council.

Next on the agenda was a review of the agenda, the by-law review was moved to the morning, Title 14 was moved to Friday and the election of officers was moved to Thursday.

The Report to the Governor was next on the agenda, Val Seidel reviewed the report, explaining that the bulk of the report is attachments, Val asked everyone to take a few minutes and review the report.

Steve Lindley gave a review of assessment tools used for adults. A discussion followed on the Assessment Conference. Narina Nunez suggested that the conference present assessment tool vendors along with non-biased people who could present on how to look for assessment tools. Conference would include Department of Family Services, Wyoming Youth Collaborative and Wyoming County Commissioners Association. Nena James reported that she has been appointed to the judicial education committee. She would like to provide education to judges on assessments.

Narina Nunez volunteered to join the committee for the assessment conferences. It was decided to try and schedule the assessment conference in October, 2003. The members of the assessment conference are Mindy Dahl, Chuck Kratz, Bill Runner and Charlie Whiton.

Next on the agenda was a revision of the Council By-laws. Narina Nunez and Nena James researched by-laws used by other councils. An article by article review of the proposed changes followed. Nena James volunteered to make the proposed changes and have copies ready for the council to review and vote on at Friday's meeting.

Next on the agenda Dave Lerner, president of Wyoming Network, Inc. explained what would be involved in designing and hosting the Council web-site. Wyoming Network can host the web-site for \$30.00 per month and arrange the domain name for \$50.00.

Next on the agenda was the Title 14 review presented by Donna Sheen and Les Pozzgi. Donna Sheen explained that the Title 14 Revision was presented to combined judiciary on Monday, January 20. She gave a brief overview of the main points of the revision. A discussion on the 24 hour hold followed. Val Seidel opened the floor to questions from the Council. Most were requests for clarification. Les Pozzgi asked if the Council had taken a position on the Title 14 revision.

Narina Nunez proposed a motion for the Council to recommend to the legislature the Title 14 revision that mandates 24 hour detention shelter hearings for delinquency or CHINS. Charlie Whiton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

A letter of support will be sent to Senator Hanes and Representative Simpson as chairs of the judiciary committee.

After a break for lunch the Council broke into workgroups.

Each workgroup reported out to the Council.

Bob Mayor reported for the system group. Action items have been completed. The systems workgroup will work with the assessment conference committee on the conference scheduled for October, 2003.

Donna Messerli suggested that grant recipients combine reporting on the JAIBG and WCCA grant to determine the number of kids served. Data Collection group will have this as an action item.

Val Seidel reported for the public relations group. Meeting notices will be sent to one newspaper in each district at least ten days before the Council meetings. The PR committee will look into collaborating with different organizations to provide public service announcements. The web-site will have a bulletin board instead of a newsletter, the bulletin board will include links of interest, training notices, etc. The domain name if available will be WYJuvenileJustice.org. Bill Runner proposed a motion to hire Wyoming Network to design and host the Council website, Ric Paul seconded, motion passed.

Next on the agenda Lesley Osen gave a report on JAIBG and Title V. Contracts for the 2002 JAIBG grants are at the Attorney General's office and should go to grantees within

the next two weeks. Lesley requested that the Council consider using state funds to keep all grantees grants at a consistent level. Title V RFP will go out as soon as we get the complete list of the counties in compliance with OJJDP from WCCA.

Meeting was adjourned for the day.

The Council meet at Frontier Corrections Systems Juvenile Facility. Val Seidel opened the meeting and reviewed the agenda for the day.

First on the agenda Val Seidel asked the members of the Council to review the revised by- laws. A vote will be held later in the morning when a quorum is present.

A review of the calendar was next on the agenda. Val Seidel reported she had met with Diane Galloway, Diane would like a representative of the Council attend the Substance Abuse and Violent Crimes Board meetings. The next meeting is February 20-21 in Cheyenne. Bill Runner volunteered to attend. The Substance Abuse Division is bringing Michael Clark to the Wyoming in May and June to do a training on Strength Based Practice. Diane Galloway also recommended that Cheri Lester, substance abuse treatment specialist, be the liaison to the Council from the Substance Abuse Division.

The next two meetings of the Council were scheduled for April 10 & 11 in Cheyenne and July 10 & 11 in Sheridan.

Next the Council members were given a tour of Frontier Corrections Juvenile Facility.

After the tour, Bill Runner moved to approve the by-laws as amended, Ric Paul seconded, motion passed.

Next on the agenda was the election of officers, Val Seidel opened the floor for nominations. Ric Paul reported as the nominating committee: John Lumley for Chair, Bill Runner for Co-Chair, Nena James, Bob Mayor, Narina Nunez for Executive Committee. Charlie Whiton moved to approve slate as stated, Ric Paul seconded, motion failed.

Nena James stated that Bob Mayor had expressed an interest in serving as Chair. Val Seidel reviewed the list of members who could serve as Chair and those who are interested.

Narina Nunez nominated John Lumley for Chair, Charlie Whiton seconded.  
Nena James nominated Bob Mayor for Chair, Sara Ascienzo seconded.  
Votes were taken in writing and tallied by Lesley Osen and Chris Smith, Bob Mayor was elected Chair.

Narina Nunez nominted John Lumley for Vice Chair, Nena James seconded  
Charlie Whiton nominted Bill Runner for Vice Chair, Ric Paul Seconded.  
Nena James nominated Chuck Kratz for Vice Chair, Sar Ascienzo seconded.  
Votes were taken in writing and tallied by Lesley Osen and Chris Smith,

John Lumly was elected Vice Chair.

Narina Nunez nominated Sarah Ascienzo for the Executive Committee, Nena James seconded, Charlie Whiton nominated Bill Runner for Executive Committee, Ric Paul seconded, Narina Nunez nominated Nena James for Executive Committee, Val Seidal seconded, Bill Runner nominated Ric Paul for Executive Committee, Charlie Whton seconded. Votes were taken in writing and tallied by Lesley Osen and Chris Smith, Sarah Ascienzo, Ric Paul and Bill Runner were elected to the Executive Committee.

Charlie Whiton and Narina Nunez volunteered to serve as the grant review committee.

Narina Nunez gave a report from the Data Workgroup, for the next meeting she will ask Don Faggiani to report on WYSAC, specifically, Back on Track, how many licenses are still available, what the funding from the Council has accomplished and the newsletter.

Next on the agenda Val Seidel introduced Ronn Jeffreys and John Kluever. John Kluever is the grant manager for Laramie County. He presented a report on how Laramie County is using their JAIBG funds. Ronn Jeffreys is the Director of Cheyenne Youth Alternatives, he manages the JAIBG funds for the City of Cheyenne. He presented a report on how Cheyenne uses the JAIBG funds. Rodger McDaniel was unable to attend, so Ronn Jeffreys also presented on the Juvenile and Alcohol Drug Court in Cheyenne.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley Osen