

THE HARBOR – EXECUTIVE STEERING COMMITTEE

# Juvenile Assessment Center Minutes

June 27, 2018 – 1:00 PM

The Harbor 861 N. Pecos Rd. Las Vegas, NV 89101 Minutes taken by Vikki Andrews

**Present in Person** 

**City of Las Vegas** Dr. Lisa Morris-Hibbler, Director, Department of Youth Development and Social Innovation – *Board Member* Lee Quick, Management Analyst

**Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services** 

John M. Martin, Director – *Board Member* Michael Whelihan, Asst. Director Cheryl Wright, Clinical Services Manager Brett Allen, Manager Vikki Andrews, Administrative Secretary

# **Clark County District Attorney's Office**

Brigid Duffy, Chief Deputy District Attorney – Juvenile Division and Chair – *Board Member* Jason Patchett, Deputy Civil District Attorney

**Clark County Family Court** Judge William Voy – *Board Member* 

**Clark County School District** 

Mitch Makizak on behalf of James Ketsaa, School Police Chief – **Board Member** Dr. Tammy Malich, Assistant Super Intendent – **Board Member** 

**The Harbor** Cesar Lemos, Executive Director

Workforce Connections Jim Kostecki, CFO – *Board Member* 

WestCare Darlene Terrill, Director of Special Projects - Board Member

<u>Community Guests</u> Jennifer Bevacqua – Eagle Quest Dave Doyle – Eagle Quest

#### I. Call to Order

Brigid Duffy, Chief Deputy District Attorney – Juvenile Division, and Chair called the meeting to order, there was a quorum.

# II. Public Comments

None at this time.

**III.** Approval of May 30, 2018 Minutes The May 30, 2018 minutes were approved.

# IV. Approval of June 27, 2018 Agenda

The June 27, 2018 agenda was approved.

V. Discuss moving The Harbor Executive Steering Committee meetings to quarterly meetings Chair Brigid Duffy motioned to move the meetings to quarterly meetings. The committee passed the motion to move the meetings to quarterly.

# VI. Discuss re-election of ESC Board

Ms. Duffy announced to the ESC that she will be stepping down as Chair of the board. She also states that Ms. Mathur is also unable to continue as co-chair. John M. Martin, Department of Juvenile Justice Services, motioned to accept the resignation from the chair position, and moved that Dr. Tammy Malich be the chair. The committee passed the motion.

When discussing co-chair, Mr. Martin stated that he would like to see Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department have a more active role. Deputy Chief Chris Darcy, LVMPD, agreed that it would be great idea to have someone from LVMPD as a chair, and makes for a greater partnership. Ms. Duffy will act as cochair for the next scheduled meeting, and Deputy Chief Darcy will bring a nominee for co-chair. The election of a co-chair will be placed on the next agenda.

# VII. Presentation from Progressus

There was a presentation by Progressus. The program from Progressus Therapy is called IMPACT (Invo-Multidisciplinary Program to Address Childhood Traumas). The intervention is around the idea of mitigating and eradicating the effects of adverse childhood experiences. Progressus is seeking to be a partner to The Harbor. Progressus would be willing to provide board certified behavioral analysts at their own cost, and would be willing provide some pro-bono services to families that are unable to afford assistance.

Mr. Martin asked where the program envisions it housed and if they see themselves responding from The Harbor. The presenter states that they would like to see themselves responding from schools as well as from The Harbor. Their goal is for the child to get the services, no matter where the referral comes from.

There was a brief discussion about when The Harbor would start preparing their legislative ask for the next legislative session. Part of the ask would need to be more funding, and if this is something that The Harbor is interested, the 25% gap is something that would need to be looked at and possibly included in the funding model for the next legislative session.

Dr. Tammy Malich, CCSD, states that they have a withstanding relationship with CCSD where Progressus has provided 2/3 of the mental health professional workforce. They are responsive to what Clark County needs, and have a great level of service.

# VIII. Discuss Possible Additional Members

Ms. Duffy believes that if an entity is putting an individual or service within The Harbor, then that entity should be a part of the committee and the decision making that goes along with it. Several board members agreed.

- a) Progressus Progressus has made a commitment to CCSD on a high level. There are hopes that they can also make a commitment to The Harbor and work together during upcoming legislation. There would be a collaborative ask at the next legislation session to use some funds as gap funding for non-Medicaid eligible services.
- b) Steve Augspurger of the Clark County School District Mr. Augspurger is progressive and wants to work with and believes in The Harbor. Mr. Martin would like to nominate Mr. Augspurger, representing the Association of School Administrator, as a voting member. Judge William Voy and Ms. Duffy agree that it would be a great partnership for The Harbor and a great way to continue to get the message of The Harbor out to the school district. The motion to accept will be on hold until the next agenda, after the inter-local amendment is completed.
- c) The discussion of Eagle Quest as a member of the board will be added to the next agenda.

# IX. Discuss Category Title and Criteria for Additional ESC Members

The Civil District Attorney, Jason Patchett, is currently working on a draft to amend the language of the inter-local additional member's clause. This clause would allow the addition of seven members to the ESC under the categories citizen representative and non-governmental agencies. The language states that non-governmental agencies have an existing agreement with The Harbor to offer in-kind services. Judge Voy and the committee want to make the language for additional members as generic as possible to allow for flexibility and as a separate membership category that does not require an existing relationship with The Harbor. The non-governmental entity provision will be broadened as to not make it so restrictive. The language being proposed is "The ESC may appoint a management level employee of a non-governmental entity as a member to provide their assistance and perspective to the ESC."

# X. Discuss Early Occupancy of The Harbor West

The Intra-state agreement and lease agreement are currently being worked on. These agreements should be ready to go before the BCC either July 17 or August 7. We currently have State approval not county approval and RPM Civil DA needs to approve early occupancy. The location is 6171 W. Charleston, Bldg. 2. Some investments have already been made into the property.

# XI. Marketing of The Harbor

The promotional items have been seen around the valley and are popular at events.

Mr. Martin states that he believes the committee needs to be more of a collaborative voice to market The Harbor. It is suggested to do a series of short videos from the perspective of different people who utilize The Harbor, such as parents, law enforcement and teachers. The City of Las Vegas would contribute to this however they can. Dr. Barton has volunteered to help create a 30 minute videos with PBS to present to teachers in training.

# XII. Data and Progress Report From The Harbor Executive Director

The LVMPD drop-offs have been steadily increasing since March. The total referrals received were 471, youth served 351, and assessed is 272. The youth assessed are youth whose parents consent to going through the full assessment. There are families who don't go through a full assessment for whatever reason, and The Harbor is working on a way to capture that number, as they do still get assessed and receive referrals and services. Youth escalation remains at 5%.

• Gender: 40% Female, 60% Male

- Race: Race: 4% Asian/Pacific Islander, 31% Black, 43% Hispanic, 3% Mixed, 19% White
- Top 5 Zip Codes: 89101, 89121, 89110, 89115, 89030
- Top 5 Offenses: Possession of Marijuana 36%, Battery 23%, Affray/Fighting 16%, Petit Larceny 10%, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia 15%
- Law Enforcement Wait Times : Average 15 minutes

Not on the report but requested by ESC members is how many clients came in between 10pm-6am. In February the number was 6 youth who were brought in. In March that number went up to 27, and this was after the WestCare closure on March 1, 2018. Each month there is anywhere between 22 and 30 kids coming in between those hours. The type of client is also changing. The Harbor is now getting runaways and out of jurisdiction youth.

Another piece of data that was collected is individual ages of youth who have come to The Harbor and if the correct assessment tools and interventions based on their ages are being used. Kids 6 and make up less than 1%, ages 7-10 is 6%, 11-14 is 47%, and 15 and up is 47%. The majority of assessments and interventions need to be based on kids aged 11 and up. The assessments being used are fine for kids of that age group. When The Harbor begins to get elementary aged kids, this may need to be looked into for assessments that better fit kids of a younger age group.

The Harbor Charleston – Eagle Quest has purchased CaseLoad Pro subscriptions, they have shadowed at The Harbor and are currently working shifts at The Harbor in preparation to operate independently.

The data report from Dr. Raines will be passed to the next agenda.

#### XIII. Informational Items

- Next meeting September 26, 2018 at 1:00 pm, The Harbor, 861 N. Mojave Rd. Las Vegas, NV 89101.
- b. The Harbor plans to partner with Purple Wings on a grant opportunity. The grant focuses on mentoring services, and Purple Wings provides mentoring services specifically to girls. Purple Wings is the lead on the grant application. If received, they will be offering services to The Harbor.
- c. The City of Las Vegas participated in the All-American City Awards, with The Harbor representing inclusiveness, connectedness and social equity. The City of Las Vegas won the All-American City Award as a community. Previously Nevada was one of two states that have never won. This award dates back to 1949 and is considered the Nobel Prize for communities. Nevada has had over 20 attempts at this award with this being the first win. The City of Las Vegas showed that it is a community of partners. Dr. Lisa Morris-Hibbler wanted to thank everyone for all of their efforts. There were several communities who were interested in learning more about The Harbor. The City of Las Vegas had the most diverse group at the event.
- d. Mr. Martin thanks everyone who has taken time to be a part of these meetings. The Harbor has been open for almost two years and has served 3700 families. He would like to do something to celebrate the success of The Harbor, such as a luncheon for all, to take the time and reflect on the accomplishments that have been made thus far.

# XIV. Public Comments

None at this time.

# XV. Adjournment