

# NEW MEXICO SENTENCING COMMISSION

## JUVENILE COMMITTEE

11:00 a.m.  
April 20, 2017

Nusenda Credit Union  
4100 Pan American Highway  
Albuquerque, NM

Committee Members Present	Committee Members Absent	Others Attending	NMSC Staff
Bob Cleavall, Chair	Cindy Aragon	Harlena Reed	Linda Freeman
Marron Lee	Judge John Romero		Tony Ortiz
Michael Heitz, CYFD			Conner Tuttle
Jason Rael, LOPD			
David Schmidt			
April Land			
Spence Pacheco			
Traci Neff (on phone)			

**Welcome.** Bob Cleavall, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Committee members, guests and staff introduced themselves.

**Approval of minutes for the January 12, 2017 meeting.** The minutes for the previous committee meeting were approved by consensus.

**Staff Report.** Linda Freeman briefed the committee members on the formation of a task force that will review the juvenile justice system and develop policy changes to improve that system. The reform effort will be largely data driven and task force members will receive technical assistance from staff for the Council for State Governments.

The New Mexico Sentencing Commission will host the 2017 conference for the National Association of Sentencing Commissions. The conference dates are August 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> and it will be held in Santa Fe. Additional information will be provided as the dates draw closer.

**Disposition of juvenile justice-related bills introduced during the 2017 legislative session.**

The committee members discussed the disposition of juvenile justice-related legislation that was introduced during the 2017 legislative session, including bills on the list set forth below:

HB 16: Delinquency Act terms and absconders (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 44: Battery of CYFD employees (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 53: Allow curfew ordinances (assigned to the House Local Government, Elections, Land Grants and Cultural Affairs Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 71: Communication of certain images to children (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 75: Limit school use of restraint and seclusion (Chapter 33, Laws of NM)

HB 115: Youthful offender transfer to adult sentence (assigned to the House State Government, Indian and Veterans Affairs Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 175: Isolated confinement act (Vetoed)

HB 240: Child protection registry act (assigned to the House Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 242: Isolated confinement act (assigned to the House State Government, Indian and Veterans Affairs Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 255: Abuse and neglect family support program (assigned to the House Appropriations and Finance Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 306: Interventions for some non-violent offenders (Vetoed)

HB 355: Bullying and cyber-bullying penalties (assigned to the House Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 422: CYFD referrals to police for runaways (assigned to the House Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

HB 427: Prohibit hazing at schools (assigned to the Senate Calendar when the session adjourned)

HB 463: Child abuse and abandonment (assigned to the House Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

  

SB 21: Shaken baby syndrome educational materials (Chapter 119, Laws of NM)

SB 45: Termination of certain parental rights (Chapter 121, Laws of NM)

SB 91: Childhood sexual abuse damage limits (Chapter 77, Laws of NM)

SB 106: Early childhood service department (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 159: Increase crimes against children penalties (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 160: Enticement of children penalties (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 185: Isolated confinement act (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 249: Child safety and family reunification training (assigned to the House Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 250: CYFD closed child custody case data reporting (assigned to the Senate Public Affairs Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 251: Certain student misconduct reports to children (assigned to the House Education Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 294: Child abuse homicide review team (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 444: Child protection registry act (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SB 455: Child abuse reporting limited liability (assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee when the session adjourned)

SJM 5: Reconvene J. Paul Taylor childhood task force

It was also noted that the General Appropriation Act for 2017 (HB 2) included language that authorizes a transfer of up to \$400,000 from the juvenile continuum grant fund to the juvenile justice facilities program of CYFD.

**Scope of work for the 2017 interim.** The committee members discussed subjects for its scope of work, including the following:

- convene a Juvenile Committee meeting on July 13th, so that staff from the Council for State Governments (CSG) can meet and talk with committee members. The CSG folks are providing technical assistance to a task force charged with facilitating juvenile justice reform in New Mexico;

- NMSC staff to provide data that will help inform the work of the juvenile justice reform task force;

- request a briefing on the work of the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (JJAC) and the Juvenile Community Corrections (JCC) program;

- request a briefing on the roll-out of the JDAI pilot program in San Juan county;

- request a briefing from CYFD on provision of behavioral health services for youth in the juvenile justice system;

- invite managed care providers to brief the committee on treatment services provided to youth and hold at least one meeting at a treatment center in Albuquerque; and

- invite relevant parties to discuss the Abuse and Neglect Calendar in Children's Court.

**Next meeting.** The next committee meeting will be held on July 13, 2017, at 11.00 a.m.

**Adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.