



DWI PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING
Wellness Center
September 12, 2018
12:05 pm

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robert Mundy	Tina Garcia Proxy for John Chavez	Bart Regelbrugge
Chad Pierce Proxy for Bryan Byrd	Carol Claus	Cruz Munoz
Ryan Gray		

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jesus Garay	Joshua Baca	Ragon Espinoza
Calvin Lucero	Savannah Brandenburg-Koch	

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP:

Chad Whitson	Lydia Duarte	Adrian Spotted Bird
Esther Padilla	Alonzo Garcia	Ginny Adame
Jessica Sanchez	Violeta Lopez-Unzueta	Charles Files
Desi Garcia	Joann Sanchez	Lori A Kurtz
Senator Clemente Sanchez		

President, The Very Reverend Robert Mundy, opened meeting at 12:05pm;

Self-introductions.

Review and approval of agenda. The Very Reverend Mundy asked for a slight modification to the agenda which included Judge Tina Garcia sharing information relative to the courts at the beginning of New Business due to her need to return to Court. Motion to approve agenda as amended by Tina Garcia; 2nd by Chad Pierce; All in favor. Approved.

Review and approval of June 13, 2018 minutes. Motion to approve minutes by Carol Claus; 2nd by Tina Garcia; All in favor. Approved.

New Business:

Open Discussion – by Judge Tina Garcia:

- Without specific numbers, Judge shared that DWI cases are up but felony DWIs are down;
- Law enforcement officers’ appearance at court has increased;
- Courts are collaborating with Compliance Monitoring;
- The Magistrate Courts will now be overseen by District Courts rather than the Administrative Offices of the Courts (AOC). The Judge explained that this change will affect the fiscal management of the Courts, but Court procedures will remain the same;
- The Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault (DV/SA) Taskforce has been working hard and is now working to identify DV cases with alcohol involvement. Offenders of DV are being supervised through either Pre-Trial Services or RMOMS until the disposition of the case.

Presentation from Legislative Representatives – by Senator Clemente Sanchez:

- Senator Sanchez shared how the Legislators view, work and amend the budget during each legislative session;
- Discussed the legalization of recreational marijuana. One of the issues faced by the Legislators is the potency of the marijuana. His decisions will be based on ethical, legal and moral factors;
- The Senator shared a personal experience suffered with family because of drug use;
- Lt. Charles Files, a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), shared that a per se limit (as with alcohol) should not be instituted if the legalization of marijuana occurs; rather, it should be ‘Impaired to the slightest degree’ due to the complexity of the drug, a person’s metabolism, etc. Senator Sanchez was thankful for this insight and asked if Lt. Files would be available for further discussion with the Legislature;

- Mr. Cruz Munoz and Mr. Desi Garcia commented on medical marijuana and the ease of which 18 year olds are able to obtain. Senator Sanchez does feel that the Department of Health has loose regulations but does agree with some of the benefits of medical marijuana.
- The Very Reverend Mundy shared that the recidivism rate in Valencia County has decreased since the inception of the DWI Program. Concerns shared include billboards cannot replace programs;
- Senator Sanchez
- Before leaving, Senator Sanchez advised that he is available to listen to any concerns anyone may have. His business cards were left. The Senator was thanked by everyone for this participation at our DWI Planning Council meeting.

Community Survey Results – by Ginny Adame:

- There were a total of 482 respondents to this year’s community survey;
- Results were shared with the group. An electronic version will be sent via email;
- 382 individuals completed the ACES (please define acronym) section of the survey which indicated that 41% of those individuals had three (3) or more ACES. Early prevention is needed;
- Ms. Ginny advised that the community survey will take place on an annual basis, as perception data is an important factor. The 2019 survey will be issued in March or April;
- Enforcement funds have been reinstated this fiscal year and there is hope for increased perception in the 2019 survey.

On-Going Updates:

YDI/Teen Court/Youth Coalition Update – by Mr. Cruz Munoz:

- Teen Court has slowed down with only one (1) case in August and zero (0) in September;
- Information and curriculum was shared regarding the TOP clubs which consist of 25 students, ages 12-17. They each receive a stipend of \$200 to attend;
- Mr. Munoz also shared that he has been involved with Goodwill Industries to help with the homeless population, particularly Veterans;
- Additionally, suicide prevention classes have been held at the School of Dreams Academy (SODA)...provided through Albuquerque Suicide Prevention;
- Discussion followed.

Drug Court – By Judge Tina Garcia:

- The Valencia County Magistrate Drug Court has the best recidivism rate in the State;
- Alcohol is not always the underlying issue and through treatment these matters are addressed;
- Discussion followed.

District Attorney’s Office – No one present.

Prevention/Enforcement – By Ms. Ginny Adame:

- The first law enforcement operation was held on September 7, 2018 during which two (2) vehicles were recovered during the operation;
- May operations are scheduled for the 2nd quarter, most of which will be underage operations;
- The Police Athletic League was introduced and kudos to Desi Garcia for his work with the program. The Village of Los Lunas is looking at being the fiscal agent for the program.

Compliance – By Ms. Lori Kurtz:

- The Quarterly Compliance meeting was held prior to DWI Planning Council meeting. Discussed the process of filing affidavits on probation violations, the timing of filing unsatisfactory discharges, current case load (~250), in the process of hiring a compliance officer since Nate Blanton’s departure.

Alternative Sentencing/RMOMS – By Ms. Lydia Duarte:

- All going well;
- There has been an increase in positive results for meth and opiates;
- Synthetic drugs can be lab tested for at an additional cost of \$35 to \$60 per test.

Treatment – by Ms. Joann Cordova Sanchez:

- There are approximately 40 clients in treatment at this time;
- Weeks v. sessions: Ms. Joann shared that there is more success when treatment is provided for a longer period of time (i.e. once a week) rather than racing through the number of recommended sessions. Consistency is also a factor in one’s success;
- Challenges faced include possibly adjusting the treatment tool to help track recidivism rates. Also, the DWI Outpatient Services Program is not recognized as an approved program through SAMHSA; however, Ms. Joann has applied for approval and is awaiting confirmation. And the biggest challenge is the lack of funding which limits group availability.

Balance of Open Discussion/Topics for Next Meeting:

- Mr. Bart Reggelbrugge shared information relative to ‘Essential Parental Subjects for Children Development’;
- Lt. Chad Pierce with NMSP shared that SID will hold a presentation at St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church on October 13, 2018 at 9am where the Attorney General’s office will provide a presentation regarding Human Trafficking. All are welcome to attend.

The Very Reverend Mundy called for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Bart Reggelbrugge; No objections, meeting adjourned.

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Reviewed and Approved By DWI Planning Council:

Dated: _____
