

CHILDREN AND YOUTH COMMISSION COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, April 16, 2018
Railyard Offices
Conference Room
500 Market Station, Suite 200
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. New Business/Action Items:
 - a. Information and Discussion: New Applicant Interviews for RFP '18/30/P
- 4. Old Business:
- 5. Comments from the Chair and Committee Members
- 6. Report from Staff:
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500 Market Street Santa Fe Railyard Offices Monday, April 16, 2016 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call:

The Children and Youth Commission meeting was called to order by Joanne Lefrak, Chair at 3:02 pm. A quorum was declared by roll call.

Present

Joanne Lefrak, Chair Tommy Rodriguez Allegra Love Lisa Salazar, Vice Chair Joe Berenis

Not Present-Excused

Gus Martinez

Staff Present

Chris Sanchez, Youth and Family Services, Division Director Julie Sanchez, Youth and Family Services, Program Manager

Others Present

Michael Harris, City Councilor Sig Lindell, City Councilor

2. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Rodriguez moved to approve the agenda as presented with a second from Ms. Salazar which passed by voice vote.

3. Approval of the Minutes No minutes, special meeting.

4. New Business

a. Ms. Lefrak reminded the Commissioners that each presentation is a maximum of seven minutes each; the applicants were also notified and given direction to do a brief overall

summary of their program with time for questions. Ms. Sanchez was delegated as the time keeper to keep discussions on track. Ms. Lefrak stated she had to leave early and after she leaves Ms. Salazar will chair the meeting.

Applicant interviews were as follows:

a) 3:00 Transformational Learning & Coaching, Inc.

Organization has been around since 2008, worked with federal funds and school districts all over the state. Governor Martinez ended the program in 2012 and the executive director took the federal funding and went on to work in two other states, Washington and California while still living in Santa Fe. During this time she was not a nonprofit. All kids served were title 1 high needs students. First and foremost this is an academic program. Wanted to make program an ESL and ELL program as that is the students being served. Added arts integration into the program to be engaging, which is the storytelling piece. Organization has had two pilot programs with much success. SEL is an important part of this programming and has been incorporated into the program. Organization stated program targets the lowest achieving kids—mainly immigrants, and this program needs to be brought into the community.

3:07 Santa Fe Children's Museum

Organization main program is aimed at kids 0-10, wants to bring back interns. Provide office admin internships, gardening and museum exhibit care. Want to have at least three interns with this possible funding. Wants at-risk youth to participate as interns. Trauma informed social emotional model for these interns. Discussion on how things that happen in these kids' lives is an underlying factor to why they probably dropped out or are unemployed. Through this activity they will be prepared to enter the school system or employment system. They are gaining skills to reintegrate, we have a tool to assess these youth and we will use this tool. We don't have the capacity for long term tracking; our partner agencies will be able to hopefully provide the tracking. Discussion on previous financial issues, organization stated old news, old board. Discussion of new board makeup and new staffing.

3:14 Santa Fe Community Educators Network

Ms. Lefrak recused herself from the meeting

Collaboration is made up of forty (40) organizations and educators from in around Santa Fe including museums, art institutes, botanical gardens, etc. We have belief in collective impact and don't believe in duplicating services. Last summer did a pilot educational enrichment program for Sweeney elementary, was very successful. Last summer look at integration of art and science for the summer. This year looking at funding for continued summer work for Sweeney and El Camino Real with an integration of art and literacy. Services would also continue through the school year at Sweeney during the Friday block. Ultimate goal is to have students understand what they learning in school and connect it into the real world, also reinforcing literacy and writing skills. Reported they have received matching money from the county and several foundations.

3:21 Farmers Market Institute

Institute has done youth programming in the past, got difficult to coordinate so program was switched to a program developed out of Oregon. Program is called local food for local kids, gives hands on experience to kids with local food. Partnership with schools, nonprofits, etc. Also included is a popclub; different activities, food samples, plus tokens to spend at the market. Gets families involved as well, partners with the double up food bucks program. Last year they hired a new program director that has the ability to create impactful programming and wants to expand the current program to other markets with city funding.

3:28 Assistance Dogs of the West

Been around since 1995, 1 dog 1 person to help an individual, 1 dog many people to help many people. These dogs work with special victim advocates and kids awaiting court. The educational program with various youth is the focus of the proposal. The school of focus is Capital High School, these are youth with physical and mental disabilities ages 16-22. Work with veterans programs and elementary school programs. Student training program, learns soft skills, learns unconditional love, peer to peer mentoring, improve leadership skills and listening skills. Proposal to further work with Santa Fe Youth Shelters and Teen Court. Dogs help kids to prepare to testify. There is science behind a dog and human connection.

3:35 Innovate + Educate

Nonprofit started in Santa Fe 10 years ago; focus on career pathways for young people nationally. Many youth cannot afford to go to school; initiative to look at skills based hiring ages 16-24. Provide an assessment for soft skills, and get 400 young people employed. Worked with Albuquerque on a hiring fair, getting a skill badge and getting employed. Same system would be implemented in Santa Fe. Contract with New Mexico Department of Workforce to collect data and track employment. Discussion on Kellogg grant and financial holds. Organization wants to give back to Santa Fe.

3:42 SFCCF- Kids Campus

Program is a year round five star early childhood center has been around since 1993, lab school—training site for early childhood educators, services ages 2 months through pre-k. Program offers academic and engaging programming which covers all the domains literacy, numeracy, etc. Program runs a minimum of 360 hours. Open at 7:30 closes at 5:30. Funding for core time and wrap around funding for other core services. Provides 2 hot meals a day and a snack in the afternoon. Big on assessments, track every week and three times a year report to state, etc. Looks at kids entering SFPS and tracks them through kindergarten. Collaboration and outreach internally with youth based programming. Funding would be for 20 early childhood students or 1 classroom.

3:49 May Center

Ms. Lefrak left the meeting, Ms. Salazar took over the meeting, and there is still a quorum Collaborative application with May Center, Public Schools, Reading Quest, and Communities in Schools. Literacy program implemented afterschool and summer program at Sweeney targeting those youth behind in reading, CIS would be providing referrals and case management. Targeted approach to getting kids proficient in reading. Using standardized assessment through certified diagnostician, and istations from the school, they will be following them through the school year. Have seen high impact on reading proficiency through the separate programs and wanted to come together to create a high impact pilot program for kids at Sweeney.

3:56 Santa Fe Recovery Center

Organization is an adult treatment facility, the new program being developed is a program for mothers and their children who want to seek treatment. There is not a program in the state that offers this kind of program. Funding being requested will be provided to fill in gap not covered through treatment dollars; this includes covering the cost of training, diapers and other things. There was a discussion of disconnected youth and their children, organization brought up young women who test positive for substances after giving birth and them not being able to go into treatment without their child. Organization quoted that there was a federal study on the bonding and success of women who brought their kids into treatment with them; the women were much more successful before and after treatment. Collaboration with Las Cumbres to deliver the internal childhood programming, funding request includes transportation and training. There will also be collaboration with CYFD.

- 5. Old Business: None
- 6. Comments from the Chair and Commissioners: None
- 7. Report from Staff: None
- 8. Matters from the Floor: None
- 9. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, the Chair called for adjournment at 4:06 p.m.

Signatures:

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Julie Sanchez, Staff Liaison