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March 16, 2011

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
SANTA FE REGIONAL JUVENILE JUSTICE BOARD
CYFD Offices
1920 Fifth Street
Wednesday, March 16, 2011**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Santa Fe Regional Juvenile Justice Board was called to order by Judge Michael Vigil, Chair, on Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at the CYFD Offices, 1920 Fifth Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Judge Michael Vigil, Chair
Deacon Anthony Trujillo, Vice-Chair
Bonifacio "Boni" Armijo
Jim Bianca
Patty Montes Burkes
Mary Ellen Gonzales
Gloria Lopez
Tommy Rodriguez

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Kit Ayala
Mark Caldwell
Megaly Campos
Det. Sgt. Louis Carlos
Councilor Carmichael Dominguez
Susan Nelson

OTHERS ATTENDING:

Richard DeMella, Staff Liaison
Jack Ortega, SFRJJB
Mary Beth Brady, SFPS-RJ
Shelley Cohen, SF Partnership for Communities & Schools
Matthew Esquibel, Child Protective Services, CYFD
Bobbie Gutierrez, Superintendent, SFPS
Eva Hernandez, Ombudsman Educational Services
Sam Jackson, Program Director, Day Reporting
Molly Kelly, AmeriCorps Vista
Shelley Mann Lev, Santa Fe Public Schools

Barbara Sandoval, DOH
Terrie Rodriguez, City Community Services
Mary Louise Romero, ICM
Melessia Helberg, Stenographer

There was a quorum of the membership in attendance.

The "Quorum Establishment for the Juvenile Justice Board meeting of March 16, 2011," is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "1."

The Attendance Sign-in for the Santa Fe Regional Juvenile Justice Board, dated March 16, 2011, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "2."

III APPROVAL OF AGENDA

[Stenographers Note: There was an error in numbering on the agenda which was corrected by the Stenographer.]

Mr. DeMella proposed the following changes to the agenda:

- A. Move Item VIII(B) Bobbie Gutierrez, to be heard right after Approval of Minutes.
- B. Add a grant report from Terri Rodriguez
- C. Add a report from Shelly Mann-Lev
- D. Add an item under New Business, \$2,000 for tutoring for SF High.
- E. Add Mary Louise Romero under Reports.

MOTION: Patty Burks moved, seconded by Boni Armijo, to approve the agenda, as amended

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

IV. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Chair Vigil asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 16, 2011

The following corrections were made to the minutes:

Page 6, paragraph 8, correct as follows: "Ms. Gonzales said ~~Chavez~~ Sweeney was..."

Page 9, paragraph 5, line 3, correct as follows: "...parents to ~~improve~~ provide..."

MOTION: Deacon Anthony Trujillo moved, seconded by Mary Ellen Gonzales, to approve the minutes as amended.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS [This item was moved up on the agenda]

B. BOBBIE GUTIERREZ, SANTA FE PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT

A copy of a packet of information, "Destination Diploma – Ombudsman: An Alternate Route," is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "3."

Bobbie Gutierrez thanked Mr. Rodriguez and Mr. DeMella for inviting her today. She said she has had conversations with many of the members of this Board regarding the need for alternative education. She said there are approximately 39 students who have returned to school through Ms. Mann-Lev's program. However, the dropout population continues to be a problem with the schools. She said it is important for families to recognize the value of keeping our students in school.

Ms. Gutierrez said last year the Board set goals in terms of developing alternative programs and how to better partner with the schools. She said about that time she was chosen to participate on a panel with other superintendents at the Educational Research Development Institute [ERDI]. Ms. Gutierrez said approximately 80 superintendents meet twice yearly to look at technology, product development and educational research, as well as to hear presentations from organizations about the services they provide. She said there is no obligation to use those services, and they only provide feedback and recommendations. She said this is where she became acquainted with Eva Hernandez of Ombudsman

Ms. Gutierrez said Ms. Hernandez attended last year's ERDI to visit some of the programs, and expressed an interest in the K-8 models, as well as looking at what was being offered in terms of alternative education.

Ms. Gutierrez became interested in the Ombudsman Program as she learned more and heard about its successes in graduation rates and of communities partnering and working together. She said she Dr. Morgan and Ms. Lujan visited Ombudsman Programs in Aurora, Colorado, in October 2010. She spoke about the stories the kids told about their situations and their successes

Ms. Gutierrez described the program, which is not so different from anything which currently is being provided in the Santa Fe Public Schools, noting kids in the program can go for graduation or Ombudsman certification which opens doors for them after graduation. She said what is different in this program is that the focus is on a group of young people in a professional setting, noting the staff has some specialized education and training, with advocates helping to place the students, when they are ready, into the community in a part time job. She said the public schools can't always assign an advocate to help them through the program. She said the business community has gotten involved in the program in Aurora, so it is supported by the Chamber of Commerce, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and others.

Ms. Gutierrez said one thing she really likes about the Ombudsman Program is that it is customized to meet the community's needs, commenting that this program bridges the gap between other programs.

Ms. Gutierrez spoke about the K-8 effort in the Santa Fe Public Schools, and its success, noting it will be evaluated next year in terms of making any needed changes to the program, commenting that the first glimpse is very promising. She noted that the K-8 program creates additional expense to the District, and spoke about the requirements such as a lower council-pupil ratio.

Ms. Gutierrez expressed gratitude to this Board for its commitment and support of the Santa Fe Public Schools, noting that funding is decreasing for public schools at the state and federal levels, along with declining grant opportunities.

Ms. Gutierrez spoke about an elementary school in Santa Fe which was the 9th lowest in performance, and what is being done to mitigate the situation, bring it to performance standards, noting that they received a School Improvement Grant from the federal government of \$1.5 million annually to assist in this effort. She said the difference in the school is "like night and day," and it has resulted in: a commitment by the staff and teachers to complete the training and professional development; a more involved PTA; hiring as many bilingual teachers and staff as possible, with a stipend for bilingual staff; kids being actively engaged; parents feeling welcome at the school; and the parent liaison visiting the homes of participating students to work on issues such as truancy and poor school attendance.

Ms. Gutierrez said she would like to be able to do the program in all of the southside schools, which she believes would greatly reduce the number of students who drop out of school, and/or who wind up in the Juvenile Justice System.

Eva Hernandez, Vice President, Business Development, Ombudsman, said she moved to the United States from Mexico with her parents, at the age of two, and attended the public schools. She spoke about her three brothers and their success and failures, and the issues they faced in school, and of her success in the school system and in being fortunate to graduate from college. She spoke about her efforts, and her determination to find the best way to reach out to kids experiencing the same kinds of situations which were faced by her and her brothers.

Ms. Hernandez said Ombudsman will provide software, computers and instructors, or they will train your teachers and they can run the program. She said the program is designed to fit the needs of the school, and to offer something different in terms of alternative schooling. She said they guarantee a 85% success rate. She said they have the resources to do this quickly – 120 days to get it set up the day school opens. She said it can be set up elsewhere than in the schools. She said they provide continuous support. She said this is a program of four hours daily, and the student is able to go to their job which we help them to get and to keep.

Ms. Hernandez said everyone in the program is at a different educational program, and the students choose what they will work on for that day. She said there are great on-line programs, however many of the students don't have the tools to go on-line at home or the assistance they might need.

Ms. Hernandez presented a video on the Ombudsman program. Please see Exhibit "3" for specifics of this presentation.

Ms. Gutierrez said she would to have Ms. Hernandez come back and put together a Committee, which would include some of the members of this Board, to talk about what is working well in the school, and how to meet the gaps where we are losing kids. She said the cost for 60 students is about \$465,000 for an alternate location, and \$350,000 if we use a school-owned site.

Ms. Gutierrez said the District loses \$800,000 in annual funding because of drop-outs, noting the Ombudsman program would decrease the drop-out rate, increase the graduation rate, and keep kids out of trouble. She said the total cost for 4 classes of kids going through alternative programs is about \$3 million. She said if we could partner and create a program where we are missing the mark, and the District would keep the funding.

Mr. Ortega said it makes a lot of financial sense to try this program in the schools, commenting that there is a new population of kids popping up in the law enforcement system, juvenile probation and the Courts.

Ms. Gonzales asked if there are entrance requirements for students.

Ms. Hernandez said no, they will work with whomever is referred, with the exception of students with Asperger's or Autism, who are not accepted because they do not have the teaching expertise.

Ms. Gonzales asked about the 85% guarantee.

Ms. Hernandez said this is a one-year contract, so their incentive is to continue the partnership. She said they will do whatever is necessary to get students on track and back in school, noting the goal is to graduate these students with their peers. However, some students want nothing else to do with the public schools, so they will graduate them from the center, but with a School District diploma. She said these students are re-enrolled in the school so the District gets the credit. She said they will receive a comprehensive diploma which is accredited. She said this will allow them to go into a two-year college or into the military. The guarantee that you will see your students improve at least one to two years academically with their program.

Ms. Gutierrez said she will work with Ms. Hernandez, look at funding, and she would like to do a one-day strategy session once she looks at the possibilities and talks to the School Board.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT (RICHARD DE MELLA)

A. BUDGET – DETAILED BUDGET AND FINANCIAL REPORT

A copy of "Children Youth and Families Expenditure Report for City of Santa Fe Continuum Grant," for period 02/2011, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "4."

Mr. DeMella reviewed the information in Exhibit "4." Please see Exhibit "4" for specifics of the financial presentation.

Mr. DeMella said Ms. Romero has been working with Judge Vigil. He said CASA received a \$15,000 grant from CYFD, noting currently CASA is working with 4-5 kids, doing the same kind of work as Ms. Romero. He said this our first time working with CASA. He said YouthWorks has been billing for the tutoring program.

Judge Vigil asked people to let him know of any Spanish speaking CASA volunteers, saying this is a big need in the program. People can call Janice Quinn at 820-1500 with any names. He said there is a training class very soon, or perhaps we could do a special class.

Ms. Burks asked how long has CASA been helping us.

Judge Vigil said CASA just got its first assignments about 3 weeks ago. He said he will bringing all of the CASA families back in 90 days to see how things are going, and make any needed adjustments at that time. He said CASA just trained its first class a month ago, so they are receiving special "Mary Louise training."

Ms. Romero said she does only a portion of the training, noting they received training from Mr. Rodriguez and Mr. Ortega as well.

Mr. Ortega said CASA has a model that works well. He said what is different is that CASA had to slightly tweak its model for the juvenile justice system in accordance with requirements of families on the juvenile probation side, as opposed to child protective services.

Ms. Burks asked if CASA is scheduled to make a presentation to the Board at some point.

Mr. Ortega said no, but next month probably would be a good time to hear from CASA.

VII. REPORTS

A copy of "Day Reporting Output and Performance Measures," for the month of February 2011, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "5."

A copy of "Intensive Community Monitoring Output and Performance Measures," for the month of February 2011, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "6."

A copy of "Safe Schools Healthy Students Snap Shot Report to the Juvenile Justice Board," dated March 16, 2011, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "7."

A copy of "SFPS Restorative Justice Initiative SY10-11 Mid-Year Report," dated February 2011, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "8."

A copy of "Disparities Report Santa Fe Regional Juvenile Justice Board dated March 16, 2011, is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "9."

A. REPORT FORMS AND UPDATES – RICHARD DE MELLA

Mr. DeMella said, with regard to the Tutoring Program, Patricia Ennis was going to Santa Fe High School, but she broke her hip on the first day and was unable to return to Santa Fe High. He said she is still doing the ISS at Capital High. He said Santa Fe High School needs a tutor, and has interviewed and selected a person for the job, but are waiting to hear from this Board. He said it will cost \$2,000 to get this done through the end of the year. He said the funds are in the budget, and this person could start within two days, and would work 2 hours a day, 5 days a week. He said we will discuss this later.

B. ICM – MARY LOUISE ROMERO

Mary Louise Romero said 5 of the kids go for final adjudication tomorrow, and some of those will be referred to CASA. She said she checks on the kids every day, so Gloria knows they're holding them to a high standards. Ms. Romero said the kids in her program are doing well, and she just transitioned one student from Day Reporting to GED, who is ready to take all of the tests now, which is unusual and shows "how bright she is." She asked if the Board has funds to pay for the testing, because the family can't afford it.

Mr. Rodriguez said his office has funding to pay for the test.

Ms. Romero said the problem is that the first test is next week, noting this student is passing with a score of 480. She said she can help her with the first few tests until funds are available through Mr. Rodriguez's office.

Ms. Romero said a lot of the work involves connecting with teachers which is a challenge. She spoke about her experience with one teacher who refuses to work with her and refuses to bend. She said there are challenges in dealing with this instructor, and in keeping the kids motivated to continue to attend once they know they will fail that class. She sees Gloria's school, as being one that really cares about the students, and every teacher is approachable. She said if they don't build good relationships with the kids, the kids don't want to be in that class. She thanked Ms. Lopez for her willingness to coach her teachers this way.

Mr. Armijo asked why we aren't dealing with the teachers who do not perform in the manner that Gloria's teachers are, and why are we keeping them on to demoralize a kid who is performing quite well and attending classes. He asked why we don't point this out to the principal to make a change.

Ms. Romero said she usually doesn't have this kind of situation, but she will be going to the principal.

Mary Louise introduced Archie Jabbar-Pool, one of the students in ICM, who is her special guest day.

Archie apologized for being late, saying he was to meet a teacher after school to talk about extra credit, but he wasn't there. He waited for a while, but the teacher never came.

Ms. Romero said when she first met Archie he wasn't doing well in school, and making bad decisions with drugs and alcohol. She said something changed with Archie, because he realized he could do things differently and feel good about doing so. She asked Archie to speak to this Board about his experience and how he is doing currently.

Archie said before he got into trouble with the law, he was starting to get into drugs and didn't like school, so he just showed up, but did nothing – he had perfect attendance but bad grades. He said he got in trouble because he was bored. He said finals were coming up and he needed to get something from his friend's house, so he "borrowed" his mother's car which was a bad decision, because he crashed the car. He said there was a lot of damage to the car and he really regrets it.

Ms. Romero asked Archie how he is doing currently.

Archie said he is attending classes and getting his work done, and doing the best "I can to keep my mom and Mary and other people who are relying on me happy, because I feel like I can't let them down. Everybody holds me to such a high standard, I always hate for them to be disappointed in me for doing something stupid."

Ms. Romero asked Archie how the ICM program helped him.

Archie said when he was introduced to Ms. Romero he was at the Youth Shelter, because his mom didn't know what to do with him. He said his mom was going to send him to Colorado, but the Judge sent him to the Youth Shelter, which his mom didn't like. He said his mom thought a Youth Shelter was a place for bad people. He said he was told to call Ms. Romero, and she was very nice. He calls his mom every morning. He said this program has turned his life around. He said he didn't care enough about himself to care about other people.

Ms. Romero asked Archie how many clean UA's he's had, and Archie said 5.

Mary Beth Brady asked Archie why he felt he had to go to school before.

Archie said he had no place to go other than school, and that's where his friends were.

Mr. Armijo asked Archie why he didn't like school initially, and what is different now that he is "turned on" to school.

Archie said he had no motivation. He said the drugs were what motivated him. He said he didn't like the idea of school – sitting in the same place every day, doing the same thing. He felt "I was becoming

a creature of habit, doing the same thing over and over again and not learning anything because I didn't pay attention."

Mr. Armijo asked him what motivates him now.

Archie said he has found all these people who "love me and who I can love and I'm kind of attached to, and that rely on me and they tell me to be me and make good decisions, because it's the right thing to do."

Ms. Romero asked him his favorite class, and Archie said, "Mary's class."

Ms. Romero asked him why it is his favorite class.

Archie said because it is a place where "nobody judges you or nobody judges anybody..." Archie said they did a project on drugs and alcohol, and they talked about it affects your body and the people around you, and what you can do to stay above the influence of drugs and alcohol. They talked about personal experiences or experiences their families and friends have had with alcohol.

Ms. Romero said this presentation today had nothing to do with what she taught them. They had to come up with a presentation using an experiential youth activity, and develop their own questions to engage the whole class. She said it was a boys activity and they had to "run the whole show," while she sat back and listened. She said Ms. Mann-Lev as well as the people from CASA attended today's meeting.

Ms. Burks said Archie talked about values earlier. She asked if he left a note for the teacher who said he would meet him but didn't show up, telling the teacher that he, Archie, was there, but the teacher wasn't.

Archie said no, he was in a hurry to get to this meeting.

Ms. Burks said it is important for people to keep appointments. She said Archie didn't drop the ball, the teacher did.

Archie said he's a teacher, he has prior engagements and plans.

Responding to Ms. Romero, Archie said he has been taught to separate people from their behavior.

Ms. Romero said people are good, but sometimes make bad choices. She asked Archie what he brings when he is at his best.

Archie said he is bringing love, respect and open-mindedness.

Ms. Romero said she is honored to work for this Board doing this, because every day she gets kids like Archie that recognize they can make changes which will make them feel better and want to do better. This is what motivates her to go to work every day.

Responding to Ms. Burks, Archie said he will graduate in 2013.

Sam Jackson said Ms. Romero comes to Day Reporting almost every day, and every time she comes she spends time with every kid, noting today there were 12. He said she deals with a lot of people beyond her client list.

C. DAY REPORTING – SAM JACKSON

Mr. Jackson said they really have a team effort and Ms. Lopez is very supportive of the school part of the program, and said her school, Sierra Academy which is just moving is great for the kids. He said he works every day with probation officers and the Courts. He said the kids move around and they try to track them and stay in communication.

Mr. Jackson said a military recruiter comes in once a month to talk about the opportunities and limitations of military service. He said the local Army Sergeant is a former youthful offender and makes a good presentation. He said the military currently doesn't accept recruits with a GED, and require at least one year of college. He said the military is full and very picky, although the Army is the most open, and the other branches are accepting no one at this time.

Mr. Jackson said in February their average was down, but is up due to kids moving from detention to day reporting and then hopefully back to school, which is an ongoing evolution.

D. GRANT – TERRIE RODRIGUEZ

Terrie Rodriguez said she submitted the grant application for the Comprehensive Anti-Gang Strategy Program, and hopes she can use this time to look at the plan to see how it can work. She is grateful for all the information. She said the Logic Model was done by Tita Gervers, from which she was able to formulate what they thought the plan should be. She said Mr. Ortega gave her information from TCAP, and she calls this one the Anti-Gang TCAP.

Ms. Rodriguez said a Committee from this Board will be needed to do the TCAP work, and there has to be a Committee from the Board to oversee the whole process. She wants to take advantage of the planning that was done to refine and make this happen.

Ms. Gonzales asked when we will know if we got the grant award.

Ms. Rodriguez said in about 4 months, noting the funding would not be available until the next federal fiscal year which would be October. She said if we aren't successful this year, we can resubmit it

again next year. She believes it would be a beneficial use of time to look at the process and the planning now.

Chair Vigil asked for volunteers for this committee, and Deacon Trujillo, Mary Ellen Gonzales, Jack Ortega, Tita Gervers, Tommy Rodriguez, and Det. Louis Carlos volunteered or were volunteered to serve.

Ms. Rodriguez said she and Richard will work together to set up meetings of the group, and Mr. DeMella said he will contact Det. Carlos and advise him he is on this Committee.

C. SAFE SCHOOLS HEALTHY STUDENTS– SHELLEY MANN-LEV

Ms. Mann-Lev reviewed the information in Exhibit "7." Please see Exhibit "7" for specifics of this presentation. She noted she is the Chair of the Underage Drinking Prevention Alliance, and they continue to work on the alcohol outlet density project which is looking at the Airport Road area, noting the City is "way over their alcohol outlet density recommendation," noting the State recommends one outlet for every 2,000 people, which with a population of 70,000 would be 35, but there are 131 licenses. She spoke about the Prom/Graduation Campaign to educate students.

Ms. Mann-Lev said the City Council will be considering two liquor licenses on March 30, 2011, on the south side – Giant-Conoco which is within 300 feet of a school and the Super WalMart Store. She said Bobbie Gutierrez has written a letter saying the Santa Fe Schools object to the liquor license.

Ms. Mann-Lev talked about the new and updated noise and nuisance ordinance, and the owner is now responsible for whatever happens at a house they own, whether or not they live there or are an absent owner. She said there will soon be SWAT ads at the Regal Theater prepared by students from St. Michael's. She said if we deal with the issues of alcohol and drugs we will see less crime.

Ms. Mann-Lev said they are working on truancy which is a very serious problem in the Santa Fe schools. She spoke about the challenges of identifying truancy with the current software, noting it is not a new issue but it is going to get more attention. She would be happy to do a presentation to the Board around truancy if they would like.

Ms. Mann-Lev spoke about the Bullying Prevention Conference, noting this is not a new issue, right now only Ortiz and Gonzales are implementing the program, and they hope everybody will figure out how to do this next year.

Ms. Mann-Lev invited people to attend the Core Management Team meeting on March 24th.

Mr. Jackson said he runs a program where kids are required to attend, and a huge problem is parent enabling absenteeism with fictitious excuses so the child doesn't have to attend. He doesn't see a huge number of parents in his program which are concerned with the required attendance.

Ms. Mann-Lev said there are some interesting parenting programs which are emerging in the community. The "Let's Talk Program," will be doing workshops to encourage parents to talk to their children who are in 4th to 8th grade on April 1 or 2, and invited people to participate and attend.

Ms. Mann-Lev said United Way is looking to implement an evidence-based parenting program called "Triple Key," to reach the younger students. The Schools is bringing another evidence-based program, Strengthening Families Program, on April 6-8, 2011 for a 3-day training so there are 12 people in the community that can teach that program in English and Spanish for 10-12 year olds, noting this program has great success.

Deacon Trujillo said there also is a Strengthening Family Programs in the Parish, and Ms. Mann-Lev said there are open slots for people in the training program.

Deacon Trujillo said, with regard to bullying, he has a meeting with Tita Gervers and the Youth Directors in various programs with regard to developing a bullying prevention program.

Shelley Cohen said the Partnership also will be doing a family strength program in English and Spanish, and includes parents of any school age children, which will be 20 hours including a family coaching session and such. It begins on April 7th and then will run on three Saturdays in April and May. She can email information to interested people.

Judge Vigil said he can assign families to participate in the programs.

D. TUTORING PROGRAM

Richard DeMella said the Tutoring Program will begin Monday and run through the end of the school year, 5 days a week, 2 hours a day, at a cost of \$28 per hour for the tutor. He said there is \$8,800 in T-CAP funds which can be used to supplement this program.

Mr. DeMella said there will be only one tutor, a certified, retired teacher from Capital High.

Ms. Mann-Lev anticipates serving 20 students, with 6-8 kids in the program at any one time.

Mr. Armijo asked if we can condition our approval on getting the best person available, and Mr. DeMella said yes.

Responding to a question from the Board, Ms. Mann-Lev said the tutor/teacher's field is language, and he served as a substitute teacher at the secondary level for 5 years, and feels comfortable in helping all of the subjects at a basic level. She said she believes we have someone who is qualified and will do a good job. She said the offer will be made as soon as the funding is approved by this Board.

MOTION: Deacon Anthony Trujillo moved, seconded by Boni Armijo, to approve spending \$2,000 from the TCAP money to pay for the mentoring program at Santa Fe High School.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

E. RESTORATIVE JUSTICE MID-YEAR INITIATIVE – MARY BETH BRADY

Mary Beth Brady briefly the information in Exhibit "8." Please see Exhibit "8" for specifics of this presentation.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. MENTORING LINE ITEM (\$15,331) – JACK ORTEGA

A copy of "Draft Funding Projections for FY 12 & 13," is incorporated herewith to these minutes as Exhibit "10."

Mr. Ortega reviewed Exhibit "9," noting there will be carry-over funds of \$15,331 for the Mentoring Program. Please see Exhibit "9," for specifics of this presentation.

Mr. Ortega said CYFC will pay the first quarter of next year's budget, noting CASA was paid with one-time stimulus funds. He said the base budget for this fiscal year is \$213,331. He said CYFC will be sending an amendment to the contract in the amount of \$53,332, which will fully fund the first quarter – July 1, 2011 through September 1, 2011. He said the catch is that we must keep same activities moving forward. One reason is so there is no break in funding for the first quarter due to appointing a new Board, noting the new Governor wiped out the JJAC Board. He said CYFD is busy crafting the RFP for FY 2012 to try to get that moving forward right away.

Deacon Trujillo said he thought we had approved partial funding for the Mentoring Program this year.

Mr. Ortega said this is correct, but the person won't start until the next school year, although we will encumber the funds through YouthWorks for the next school year. He said it took time to find someone, but that person now has to apply formally to the Schools and by that time school will be over.

Mr. DeMella said the funding is coming from the Drop-Off Center piece which is gone.

Mr. Ortega said he has been contacted by the OJJ, and they like what Mary Beth doing, and her program will be featured as a quality program in the OJJDP Newsletter in May, so they're very happy with what we're doing. He said because of the changes in Washington, the OJJDP may not fund the program to this year's level. However, the CYFD representative asked for a copy of the newsletter article, and there is a chance we might receive minimal funding for next year. He said he budgeted this just in case, noting anything we might receive will be in addition to the budgeted funds. He said we will have \$15,000 from the Mentoring Program for CASA for next year, and the \$15,531 which will be available to us next year as well.

Mr. Ortega said if everything "remains equal," we should do well in FY 2012. He would like the Board to think about this, and give guidance to staff once the RFP is issued, which will be for 9 months for the balance of the fiscal year.

B. BOBBIE GUTIERREZ, SANTA FE PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT

This item was moved to the top of the agenda.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Ms. Gonzales said Frank Montano has agreed to serve on the Board beginning next month, noting his wife had serious surgery yesterday, so he couldn't attend today's meeting.

Mr. Ortega said it would be a good time to make a presentation to the School Board in conjunction with the Superintendent.

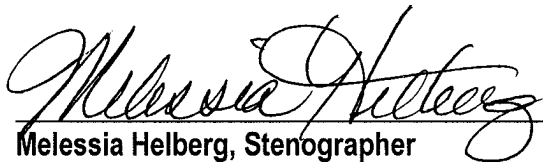
Ms. Gonzales agreed, and said she is willing to help with the arrangements.

X. NEXT MEETING – APRIL 20, 2011

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Judge Michael Vigil, Chair


Melessia Helberg, Stenographer