



**DWI Planning Council
Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2014
12:30 PM
MATS Facility
5901 Zuni Street SE**

Voting Members:

Sylvia Sarate, Chair
Harris Silver, MD
Keith Hartnett
Linda Son Stone
Thomas Scharmen

Guest:

Frank Magourilos

Non - Voting Members:

Katrina Hotrum
Fran Martinez-Romero
J. Gregg Sanchez
Elena Rodriguez

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by Chair Sarate.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda was not approved. Quorum was not present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were not approved. Quorum was not present.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. FY16 DFA Budget Proposal

Because of a lack of quorum, Fran Martinez-Romero presented the budget proposal as informational only. She detailed the DFA deadlines for submittal of the grant application.

Council was concerned that because of lack of quorum, it may be difficult to meet deadlines. We still have time to get the budget and application approved by Council and County Commission, then submitted to DFA on time she stated. This year the application will be due in March rather than February. Scharmen reiterated the importance of Council members attending meetings to avoid potential problems with these types of issues. Chair Sarate stated that attendance is being reported to the County Commission/Manager as well. Hartnett requested that all documentation regarding the budget be sent to Council members at least a week prior to the next meeting in order to give them time to review. Fran agreed to provide the information before then.

An overview of the proposed budget was then discussed:

- **DWI Grant:** Director Hotrum explained that we will not be applying for the FY16 DWI Grant. Originally when the State had extra dollars, they allowed counties to apply for funding for new and innovative short term programs. These programs turned out to be long term and when the dollars fell short, employees were let go or programs were closed. Now DFA has made a rule that if there is extra money, it doesn't go to programming for counties to add staff, but directly for programming pieces. It is really set aside now for program evaluations, she stated. That being said, we already have funding set aside for evaluations, therefore, we have no reason to apply for the money. It benefits us to allow the smaller counties to apply and do their own evaluations. That will allow us to see statewide, how we are doing. Scharmen stated that in reviewing the budget, we really aren't giving up the funding. There is actually an increase from a different source. Director Hotrum agreed. She explained that the increase in the other grant is because of HB16. Originally the intent of the bill was to give counties the full amount of funding received through the liquor excise tax and that didn't happen. Now, because of a push by the liquor industry, for 3 years we will have incremental increases included in our base budget. The problem is that it sunsets after the 3 years. That means that unless we justify our existence by evaluating all programs, getting that bill reinstated is going to be difficult. Because of that, we are going to be really cautious on how we spend that funding. For example, I wouldn't want to use it for a full time employee knowing there's a chance we could lose the funding later. Right now, we are planning on using it in prevention and other programming options, more in enforcement, etc. This additional money is another reason we will not apply for the DWI Grant she said.
- **DETOX Grant:** Fran explained that there is no change in the \$1.7M funding for the Detox Grant: The breakdown is as follows: 88% salaries/benefits for 45 employees, 4% contractual services such as food and pharmacy, 1% office supplies and 8% operating expenses. Hartnett asked if there is a summary of last year's expenses and if this grant is enough to cover all operating expenses. Director Hotrum stated that we receive money through our tenants and that helps offset some of the costs, however, it still doesn't pay the total amount. Fran stated that the \$1.7M is specific to the Detox program only. Hartnett also asked for a budget breakdown for this grant including employee salaries. Fran agreed to provide the information. Director Hotrum also stated that DFA had historically restricted these services to Bernalillo County residents only, however, because of the limited amount of providers statewide, just recently allowed us to

offer services to any state resident. There are several issues that we will need to work on including additional funding from other counties for example, she said.

- **Distribution Grant:** Fran stated that we will continue to fund six of eight DFA components, including those listed below. We will exclude the Domestic Violence and Screening components.

- i. Enforcement: Propose to increase budget to fund more saturation patrols, checkpoints and Super Blitz's through BCSO/APD.
- ii. Treatment: Propose to increase budget by \$93K to partially fund assessment center.
- iii. Compliance Monitoring: increase of \$10K which will allow us to purchase our tracking records from ADE. It is a grant requirement that all DWI offenders be tracked.
- iv. Planning/Coordination: Proposing to increase evaluations by \$50K. We intend to continue contracting with UNM Institute for Social Research to evaluate all prevention programs.
- v. Prevention: Frank Magourilos briefly explained proposed budgets on each component:

MADD: funding same as last year as they don't have the capacity to provide any more services.

Safe Teen: proposing additional \$50K to sustain the program and expand the capacity in the schools.

Public Safety Psychology Group: Funding decreased from 154K to 12K. Contract is set to expire Aug 1 so they will provide their services thru July only. We will then have to go back out for RFP.

Youth Prevention: we are budgeting \$250K for the provider that will continue the services on the above mentioned RFP.

Albq. Cab Co: proposing increase of \$15K. Funding has not been sufficient and this will assist with additional services especially during the holidays. Director Hotrum stated that the number of available cabs has been an issue but they will address it with Albq. Cab to make sure they can meet demand.

Envision Your Future: this is a new pilot program for elementary aged children, particularly focusing on 5th graders. Dr. Sullivan will teach the curriculum, train teachers and then follow up with those trained teachers. If this programs works, it may at some point replace the "Protecting You, Protecting Me" program offered by MADD. Hartnett requested that Dr. Sullivan present to the Council and provide details on the services they provide.

Peter D & Co: this Contractor teaches the media literacy challenge to all incoming freshman at UNM. He will serve thousands of new students and is currently being paid out of another grant. This funding will assist in expediting his services.

Frank Magourilos: Director Hotrum stated that the proposed increase of \$20K is because the scope of work has exceeded its original intent. The media campaign and Lobo Athlete programs have exceeded expectation, he is participating in prevention auditing, etc. Frank's role has basically become a full time job, she said.

Hartnett asked if Council could be given a report justifying increases of over 10% for each provider. Fran agreed to provide detail on how the budget numbers were compiled.

5. Public Comment

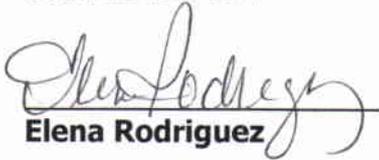
Chair Sarate wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:48 p.m.



SUBMITTED BY:


Elena Rodriguez

1-8-15
Date

APPROVED BY:


Sylvia Sarate, Chair

1-8-15
Date