

## JUVENILE DETENTION BOARD MEETING

February 23, 2015 11:00 a.m.

Board members present: Sheriff Held, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Courtney, Commissioner Kopas, and Controller Balzer.

Controller Jeff Balzer called the meeting to order.

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2014 meeting was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Sheriff Held. Unanimous.

Director Rich Gordon gave the Director's Report.

Total admissions for January 31, 2014 to December 31, 2014 was 202 residents, 27 of those were out of county. The Juvenile Detention has operated at 79% capacity during 2014. The average daily population was 9.48 out of 12. There were 26 incident reports.

The per diem increased from last quarter to \$586.63 this quarter. According to the Department of Public Welfare financial guidelines, Act 148 dollars cannot be obtained for Youthful Offenders. This means the County will absorb 100% of future costs associated with housing youthful offenders in Juvenile Detention.

Gene Shelby, a religious faith based rap artist named Minister of Truth has been on site twice in conjunction with a youth group. This group has performed songs, distributed CD's, and has ministered to the residents. This has been met with great success. The residents have really responded well to this.

New Child Protective Services Laws have gone into effect December 31, 2014. The biggest impact to the facility is regarding mandated reporting, training of the new system, and staff background checks. Every 36 months all staff has to have new clearances even the housekeeping and security personnel. This has a cost of \$48.00 per staff. They have till December 2015 to be in compliance.

PREA policies, trainings and literature will begin to roll out to staff, residents, and visitors.

Director Gordon met with the Union on February 12, 2015 for a meet and discuss.

There is a recommendation to replace all old brass mechanisms with stainless steel surface mounted mechanisms on existing doors and supports. In the 2015 budget, capital was approved for a newer generator; however, Director Gordon would rather prioritize and dedicate the generator capital dollars toward the door projects.

Commissioner Kopas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Anderson. Unanimous.