

**February 15, 2022 MEETING OF THE
JUVENILE DETENTION BOARD OF MANAGERS**

PRESENT:	Kevin Madden, Chair	Elaine Schaefer
	Monica Taylor	Candice L. Linehan
	Nathaniel Nichols	Marie N. Williams, Co-Chair
	Joanne Phillips	James E. Turner

Call to Order. Councilman Madden called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments on Agenda Items. There were no public comments on agenda items.

Approval of Minutes. Councilwomen Schaefer moved to approve the minutes of the February 15th, 2021 meeting of the Juvenile Detention Board of Managers, seconded by Dr. Taylor. Motion carried unanimously.

Introduction of New Board Member. Rev. James E Turner gave a brief introduction of himself and his background, and Board of Managers Chair Kevin Madden formally welcomed Mr. Turner.

Superintendent for Juvenile Justice Services Report. David Irizarry had gave a presentation on creating a roadmap for future juvenile services that focused on prevention through data collection of demographics, identification of services and needs and funding support for effective programs.

The strategy outlined the steps he aims to take to better service justice involved youth. The first step was collecting data, the second was identifying programs and services and bringing in national experts to share best practices, and the third step was how to best implement the recommendations gathered in steps 1 and 2 to support high-risk youth, with a focus on prevention. Superintendent Irizarry stated these 3 steps should be happening simultaneously with identifying what the long -term solution for a county detention would look like.

Juvenile Court and Probation Services Report. Kirsten Keenan, Resource Supervisor, Delaware County Court & Probation Services reported there were six (6) youth and four (4) direct file youth detained at partnering Juvenile Facilities.

Status of Secure Juvenile Detention Space. Superintendent Irizarry reported Delaware County being actively involved in on going negotiations with Chester County’s Youth center, and well as reaching out to several other jurisdictions. Board Chair Kevin Madden and County Executive Director Howard Lazarus also reiterated the urgency of this matter

Status of Lima Juvenile Detention Center's File Retention. David Irizarry stated he will be working with the County's Facilities department to relocate all confidential files to the center's gymnasium as a 1st phase of this initiative, shortly after a team of paralegals from Archer Law will be shorting these files, and lastly, he aims to contact a vendor to start the storage and retention process.

New Business. Board Member Candice Linehan inquired about the new detention counselor positions as it relates to its job posting, as well as if/how the former employee's will be made aware. Both Executive Director and David Irizarry assured they would have an opportunity once posted on the County's website.

Public Comments. (All relevant items.) There were no public comments on agenda items.

Board Member Comments – Board member Judge Nichols expressed his preference to focus on rehabilitation, trauma informed care, developmental differences in youth, and being sensitive to cultural diversity moving forward.

Adjourn. Judge Nichols moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwomen Schafer. Motion carried unanimously.