STAFF MEETING MINUTES LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COUNTY-CITY BUILDING ROOM 113 - BILL LUXFORD STUDIO THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015 8:30 A.M.

Commissioners Present: Roma Amundson, Chair

Larry Hudkins, Vice Chair

Deb Schorr Bill Avery Todd Wiltgen

Others Present: Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer

Dan Nolte, County Clerk

Ann Taylor, County Clerk's Office

Advance public notice of the Board of Commissioners Staff Meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and provided to the media on July 22, 2015.

The Chair noted the location of the Open Meetings Act and opened the meeting at 8:31 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JULY 16, 2015 STAFF MEETING

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the minutes of the July 16, 2015 Staff Meeting. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted

aye. Wiltgen was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

2 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None were stated.

PRE-SENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORTS - Jeff Curry, Chief Probation Officer, Adult Probation; District Court Judge Andrew Jacobsen; Jennifer Kulwicki, District Court Administrator

NOTE: The County provides \$58,900 for a probation officer position to provide additional pre-sentence investigation (PSI) report services in an effort to decrease the time needed to complete PSI's for inmates housed by Corrections.

Jeff Curry, Chief Probation Officer, presented <u>Lancaster County Adult Probation Jail Pre-Sentence Investigation (PSI) Savings Report for the Past Four Fiscal Years</u> (Exhibit A). He said the average TIME to complete a custodial PSI has increased to 43 days in the last fiscal year, noting the goal is to have them completed in less than 40 days. He said he believes they can achieve that goal but said there are some things that are beyond their control, such as continuances.

District Court Judge Andrew Jacobsen said Adult Probation does a great job of getting the PSI's to the judge and counsel so they have sufficient time to review them.

Hudkins asked whether there is a limit to the number of continuances that can be granted. Judge Jacobsen said it is up to the judge and depends on the case. He noted a defendant has the right to be brought to trial within six months from the date the information is filed. He said many defendants waive their right to a "speedy trial" which can cause a case to run longer.

Amundson noted the report indicates a PSI cannot be completed until an offender has either pleaded guilty or no contest or has been otherwise found guilty in a trial to the Court or by a jury.

Schorr asked whether there is anything specific Adult Probation can undertake to decrease the number of days it takes to complete a custodial PSI. Curry said they will work to get the number of days down but said if they lose the contract it would probably move back up to 60 days. He said Lancaster County does more PSI's than many other districts, including Douglas County. Curry said Lancaster County did 1,700 last fiscal year compared to 1,000 in Douglas County. He said one difference is that in Douglas County there are instances in which both sides have agreed not to have a PSI and they direct sentencing. Curry felt that is not always a good thing because the Court does not have a lot of information on that client. He said Douglas County anticipates their judges will start ordering more PSI's with Legislative Bill (LB) 605, which changed classification of penalties, punishments, probation and parole provisions, and provisions relating to criminal records and restitution.

Schorr said Lancaster County is tracking the fiscal impact of LB 605 and asked Curry to provide any information he has that could assist with that effort.

4 A) JUVENILE TRANSPORTATION UPDATE; AND B) HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CONTRACT UPDATE - Sheli Schindler, Youth Services Center (YSC) Director; Juvenile Court Judge Roger Heideman; Theresa Emmert, Juvenile Court Administrator

A) Juvenile Transportation Update

Sheli Schindler, Youth Services Center (YSC) Director, said Legislative Bill (LB) 482, which was passed last legislative session, will prohibit the use of juvenile restraints in a courtroom unless the juvenile posts a risk of harm, flight or disruption to the proceedings. That will change the manner in which YSC does transports to and from court proceedings. She said YSC was able to transport and supervise two shackled youths with one staff member, explaining it was done for safety and efficiency purposes.

In response to a question from Avery, Schindler said there have been situations where youth who were not shackled have tried to run or have become violent following a court hearing.

Schindler said she has decided to move to a one-to-one ratio with unshackled youth and has implemented it on a trial basis, beginning in Juvenile Court Judge Roger Heideman's courtroom. She said they found the change has affected staffing because of the court scheduling.

Theresa Emmert, Juvenile Court Administrator, explained there are numerous calendars that must be taken into consideration.

Schindler disseminated copies of Nebraska Revised Statute §43-290.01 which addresses costs and payments (Exhibit B). Schindler said the County is not statutorily responsible for transportation (see an email from Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney, addressing this issue in Exhibit C). Schindler said the statute makes it clear that Probation is responsible for reimbursement for youth who are post-adjudicated or post-disposition and said Probation is not reimbursing the County for the full per diem.

Schindler noted they have discussed video conferencing but all parties must be in agreement. Juvenile Court Judge Heideman said he believes there are perfunctory court proceedings that would be amenable to video conferencing. Joe Nigro, Public Defender, appeared and said he is willing to meet with Schindler and the Juvenile Court Judges to discuss circumstances where video conferencing could be used.

Schindler said YSC would need two additional employees if the Board wants the facility to continue to provide transport, estimating the cost at \$80,000 each. She felt it would be more efficient for Probation to contract with a private transportation agency.

There was consensus to have YSC cease providing transportation for Probation youth, as of September 1, 2015.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded to direct Sheli Schindler, Youth

Services Center (YSC) Director, to notify Jeanne Brandner, Deputy Administrator, Office of Probation Administration, Juvenile Services Division, of the County Board's decision, with a follow-up letter signed by

members of the County Board.

In response to a question from Avery, Schindler clarified that her facility would still do transports of pre-adjudicated youth and youth who are attending County Court proceedings.

ROLL CALL: Hudkins, Schorr, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Wiltgen was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

B) Health and Human Services Contract Update

Schindler said an amendment to the contract with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for the provision of detention services for youth committed to or placed with DHHS at YSC that changes the end of the term to August 31, 2015 will be scheduled on the July 28th County Board of Commissioners Meeting agenda.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE MONITORING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP
 Gary Chalupa, Veterans Service Officer/General Assistance Director;
 Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director

Gary Chalupa, Veterans Service Officer/General Assistance Director, said Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, has recommended the Board take action to formally designate members of the General Assistance Monitoring Committee which has grown significantly in size over the years (see Exhibit D). He noted a subcommittee meets every two years to review the General Assistance Guidelines and asked the Board whether individuals can serve on the subcommittee if they are not members of the Monitoring Committee. Chalupa said some agencies have a spokesperson serving on the subcommittee but other representatives serving on the Monitoring Committee. Other individuals have expertise that is not needed on a regular basis. He stressed they are public meetings and anyone can attend.

Chalupa and Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, were asked to bring back recommendations regarding membership.

Schorr noted there are plans to reorganize the Joint Budget Committee (JBC), on which she serves, as well.

6 SALARY FOR VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Doug McDaniel, Human Resources Director

Doug McDaniel, Human Resources Director, presented the results of a salary survey for the position of Veterans Service Officer (Exhibit E). **NOTE:** Gary Chalupa, who currently holds that position, has resigned effective July 24th. Chalupa's salary is \$82,815 but he also serves as the General Assistance Director. Those duties will be moving to the Human Services Department. McDaniel said the Lancaster County Veterans Service Committee has recommended that Rick Ringlein, Assistant County Veterans Service Officer/Deputy Director, be appointed to the position. Ringlein's current salary is \$60,773.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Avery seconded to offer the position to Rick Ringlein at a salary of \$68,066.

Avery requested a copy of Ringlein's resume.

ROLL CALL: Schorr, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Wiltgen was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

NOTE: The Board will take formal action to appoint Ringlein as the Veterans Service Officer position and set his salary at the July 28th County Board of Commissioners Meeting.

7 LABOR NEGOTIATIONS - Doug McDaniel, Lincoln-Lancaster County Human Resources Director; Nicole Gross and Amy Sadler, Compensation Technicians; Kristy Bauer, Deputy County Attorney; Sheli Schindler, Youth Services Center (YSC) Director; Pam Dingman, County Engineer

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded to enter Executive Session at 9:30 a.m. for the purpose of protecting the public interest with regards to labor negotiations.

The Chair restated the motion for the record.

ROLL CALL: Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Wiltgen was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

Wiltgen arrived at the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Schorr seconded to exit Executive Session at 10:10 a.m. Wiltgen, Avery, Schorr, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

8 BUDGET UPDATE - Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer; Joe Nigro, Public Defender; Jon Day, Executive Director of Blue Valley Behavioral Health; Arnold Remington, Targeted Adult Service Coordination (TASC) Program Director

Joe Nigro, Public Defender, discussed his request to add a full-time equivalent (FTE) licensed social worker to his staff explaining a licensed social worker can provide substance abuse and psychiatric evaluations and assist clients in accessing treatment and services. It can also supervise interns which will allow them to expand outreach. He said 2/3 of the Public Defender's clients have substance abuse and/or mental health issues and felt judges would be more likely to consider reducing their bonds or releasing them from jail if they have been evaluated and are connected with services. Nigro noted Commissioner Hudkins had asked him to explore the possibility of contracting with either CenterPointe, Inc. or Region V Systems for a social worker. He said CenterPointe indicated it was not in a position to do so but is supportive of the concept. Region V Systems referred him to the Targeted Adult Service Coordination (TASC) Program. He said Arnold Remington TASC Program Director, contacted Jon Day, Executive Director of Blue Valley Behavioral Health (BVBH), on his behalf and Day submitted a proposal to contract with the County to provide those services (see agenda packet).

Nigro said he believes the County's jail population will increase as a result of Legislative Bill (LB) 605 and felt hiring a social worker would be a proactive step. He said Kentucky realized a cost benefit by adding 8 social workers to its Defender System two years ago and plans to add 22 more. Kentucky also found that clients that worked with social workers had an 18% recidivism rate compared to a 34% recidivism rate for Kentucky's Department of Corrections. Nigro said there will be up-front costs for the social worker position but felt the County would see a decrease in the number of days of incarceration and a lower recidivism rate.

Nigro noted he had also been asked about hiring a part-time social worker and said he spoke to the head of the University of Nebraska-Omaha's (UNO's) School of Social Work and she thought it would narrow the hiring pool. Nigro said he will make a commitment that if the Board approves the FTE, he will not request additional staff next year.

Day discussed his proposal and explained that Remington would serve as a part-time coordinator working 14 hours a week during the first phase to assess the needs of the office. He said BVBH would then hire a full-time case manager/licensed clinical social worker who would be contracted out to serve at the Public Defender's Office. They might also bring in an intern.

Avery asked Day how quickly he anticipates the County would see results. Day said fairly quickly. He said a program can typically take 6-9 months to get up and going but felt they could get this program up and going within 1-3 months. Remington added he will also be developing outcome data the first 3-6 months.

Avery inquired about the cost. Nigro said he budgeted \$83,000 for an FTE and said BVBH is asking for the same amount for a contract. Day said the cost is based on the time involved in getting the program started. He said Remington's hours will eventually decrease but he will still serve as coordinator.

Schorr said the Board had hoped the cost would be less by contracting. She said she has concerns with some of the costs in the proposed contract, including administration, mileage, and time to set up a job description. Schorr pointed out Human Resources has job descriptions available for social workers and said the County has quite a bit of expertise in hiring and working with social workers.

Schorr noted Community Corrections has several social workers on staff and asked Kim Etherton, Community Corrections Director, who was present, how she would see such a position within the Public Defender's Office or her department. Etherton said she had questioned how the position would work with Community Corrections and said it appears that one difference is that the position would be working with individuals in the community, as well as juveniles. Community Corrections only works with individuals in the jail, unless it involves diversion. She said Community Corrections works closely with the Public Defender's Office and prepares comprehensive discharge and community support plans and presents those at bond reviews. Those plans are frequently denied.

Avery asked whether Community Corrections is prohibited by statute from working more closely with the Public Defender's Office to deal with individuals in the community, as well as juveniles. Etherton said not to her knowledge. She explained that Community Corrections has not worked with juveniles because it does not want to mix adult and juvenile populations.

Etherton also pointed out her staff is not at the pay grade that is proposed for this position, noting Community Corrections has case managers and two licensed mental health practitioners (LMHP's) through the Drug Court and Diversion Programs. Etherton said Community Corrections does not have a clinical social worker on staff. Schorr asked what certifications they hold. Etherton indicated that they have bachelor's degrees.

Nigro said Sara Hoyle, Human Resources Director, has indicated she has funds that could cover the percentage of the social worker's time for pre-disposition juveniles. He estimated that may be 20%.

Amundson pointed out the Board recently approved a resolution in support of the Stepping Up Initiative to Reduce the Number of People with Mental Illness in Jail. She added that research presented at the National Association of County Officials (NACo) Annual Conference she recently attended supported having a clinical social worker involved in these type of programs.

Hudkins said he is reluctant to add more FTE's. Nigro felt it would be "cleaner and simpler" to have the position in-house and said he believes the County would want to move in that direction in the future. He said if the Board would prefer to contract for the service, BVBH has a really good plan and would give the County time to assess things.

Wiltgen said he believes it is important to serve this population but questioned whether it is a duplication of services within the County. He felt it should be more aligned with Community Corrections. Nigro agreed there is some overlap but said the Public Defender's Office can only apply for pre-trial release for certain eligible offenses. The social worker would be able to look at clients with ineligible offenses and line up programming and services that might help the Public Defender's Office convince the judge to release them. He added there is a large percentage of individuals who are out in the community who would benefit from these services and present a lower risk when the Public Defender's Office argues for probation. Nigro said a social worker on staff would be better able to identify those individuals who are appropriate for problem solving courts, particularly a mental health court. **NOTE:** The County has applied for a planning and implementation grant for a mental health court. He said it builds upon and reaches a different population than Community Corrections. Etherton said getting clients with ineligible offenses out on bond will be difficult. She felt the population where they could have the biggest impact would be individuals in the community who are struggling and find it difficult to participate in their defense.

Wiltgen felt this is something the County may want to pursue further with Region V. Nigro said Region V is supportive of the concept but didn't think they will choose to be involved.

Avery questioned the need for 14 weeks of training. Day explained there is a learning curve involved, including teaching the Public Defender's staff how to use the services.

Hudkins suggested the Board take the request under advisement and fold it into the overall budget discussions.

It was suggested that Nigro talk to Human Resources and gather information about the salary ranges for Clinician I's and II's and the licensing, experience and requirements for both and to share that information with Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer.

NOTE: Letters of support for the social worker position were received from the Lancaster County Indigent Defense Advisory Committee; Topher Hansen, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), CenterPointe, Inc.; Joan Anderson, Executive Director of the Lancaster County Medical Society; and Lori Griggs, Chief Probation Officer, Juvenile Probation (see agenda packet).

Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer, indicated he will need to file the proposed budget with the County Clerk's Office next week and requested clarification on several items:

- Social Worker Position There was general consensus to build a Clinician I position into the budget.
- Membership in the Southeast Nebraska Development District (SENDD) -There was consensus to put membership on hold.

Meyer said the total budget is at \$117,000,000 which is \$11,900,000 more than last year, a 7.24% increase. He said the General Fund will increase by \$6,800,000 and \$1,500,000 will be transferred out of the General Fund to the Self-Insured Funds. An additional \$2,000,000 will be transferred to the Bridge and Road Fund. Meyer said the budget is built on a 27.83 cent levy which is a 1.1% decrease. The Railroad Transportation Safety District (RTSD) levy will increase to 1.6 cents, a \$670,000 increase. The County will be adding 2.5 FTE's (a full-time attorney in the County Attorney's Child Support Division; a part-time attorney in the Public Defender's Juvenile Division; and the full-time social worker position in the Public Defender's Office).

9 CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items.

10 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

A. Change of Time for Tuesday, County Board of Commissioners Meetings

Schorr noted the County Board of Commissioners Meetings have been running longer and suggested consideration be given to moving the starting time up.

There was consensus to seek input from the Management Team.

B. Chinese Sky Lanterns

Schorr said City Councilman Roy Christensen informed her he plans to introduce a city ordinance to prohibit the sale and use of Chinese sky lanterns inside city limits, for safety reasons, and is working with a state senator to also introduce legislation on the

state level. She said Christensen has asked that the Board consider taking similar action. Schorr said Jim Densberger informed her Mutual Aid, which is the agency that oversees the all of the rural fire squads, has similar concerns.

Thorpe said Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney, has indicated enforcement will be an issue.

11 PENDING

There were no pending items.

Avery exited the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

12 DISCUSSION OF BOARD MEMBER MEETINGS

- A. Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) Avery
- B. Lancaster County Fairgrounds Joint Public Agency (JPA) Avery, Wiltgen
- C. Lincoln Independent Business Association (LIBA) Budget Monitoring Committee Wiltgen
- D. District Energy Corporation (DEC) Hudkins, Schorr
- E. Human Services Joint Budget Committee (JBC) Amundson, Schorr
- F. Parks and Recreation Futures Committee Hudkins

Items A-F were held.

13 EMERGENCY ITEMS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Wiltgen said he was late due to attendance at the groundbreaking ceremony for Lawson Park (softball, baseball and soccer complex) in Waverly. Prior to that event, he attended a Make-A-Wish Foundation presentation to a young man who had been diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma and said his wish was to donate the proceeds to the park.

14 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Avery was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

Dan Nolte

Lancaster County Clerk

Lancaster County Adult Probation Jail PSI Savings Report for the Past Four Fiscal Years



July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Total non-custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed – 640 Average days to complete a non-custodial PSI –65

Total custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed – 453 Average days to completed custodial PSI – 41

Completion day difference, on average, between custodial and non-custodial PSIs - 24

453 PSIs at 24 days each = 10,872 custody days saved

Estimated per day cost at Lancaster County Corrections = \$68 per day.

10,872 days at \$68 per day results in a total estimated costs savings from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012-- \$739,296

July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

Total non-custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed – 422 Average days to complete a non-custodial PSI –66.62

Total custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed -317 Average days to completed custodial PSI -42

Completion day difference, on average, between custodial and non-custodial PSIs - 24.62

317 PSIs at 26.62 days each = 7804.54 custody days saved

Estimated per day cost at Lancaster County Corrections = \$68 per day.

7804.54 days at \$68 per day results in a total estimated costs savings from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013-- \$530,708.72

July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

Total non-custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed – 616 Average days to complete a non-custodial PSI –64.72

Total custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed – 469 Average days to completed custodial PSI – 39.76

Completion day difference, on average, between custodial and non-custodial PSIs - 24.96

469 PSIs at 24.96 days each = 11,706 custody days saved

Estimated per day cost at Lancaster County Corrections = \$90 per day.

11,706 days at \$90 per day results in a total estimated costs savings from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014-- \$1,053,540

July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

Total non-custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed – 656 Average days to complete a non-custodial PSI –65.91

Total custodial, District Court Presentence Investigations Completed – 447 Average days to completed custodial PSI – 42.66

Completion day difference, on average, between custodial and non-custodial PSIs - 23.25

447 PSIs at 23.25 days each = 10,393 custody days saved

Estimated per day cost at Lancaster County Corrections = \$94 per day.

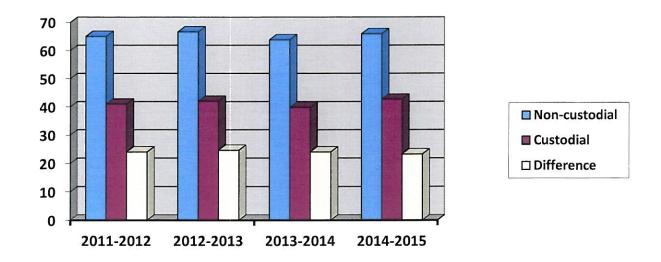
10,393 days at \$94 per day results in a total estimated costs savings from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014-- \$976,942

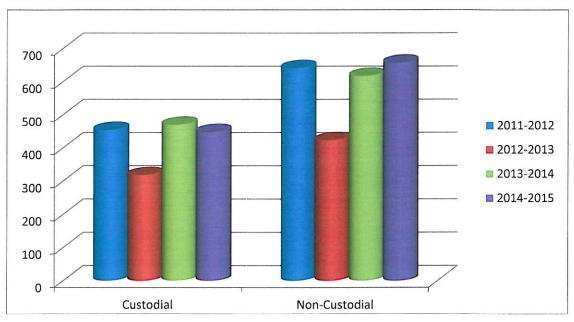
All totals include Presentence Investigations (PSIs) completed on PSIs Ordered by the Lancaster County District Court Bench

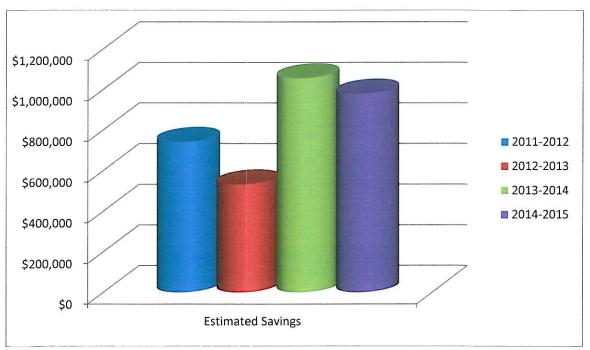
A PSI cannot be completed until an offender has either pleaded guilty or no contest or has been otherwise found guilty in a trial to the Court or by a Jury.

Dates used include the date on which the Court originally ordered the PSI through the originally scheduled sentencing date. Individual sentencing dates may have varied due to scheduling issues, continuances, or other factors.

Fiscal Year of 2011-2012 – \$68.00 a day to confine one individual in Lancaster County Corrections Fiscal Year of 2013-2014 – \$68.00 a day to confine one individual in Lancaster County Corrections Fiscal Year of 2013-2014 – \$90.00 a day to confine one individual in Lancaster County Corrections Fiscal Year of 2014-2015 – \$94.00 a day to confine one individual in Lancaster County Corrections









Revised Statutes» Chapter 43» 43-290.01

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43-290.01. Costs:

<u>Print Friendly</u> payment.

(1) Payment of costs for juveniles described in or alleged to be described in subdivision (1), (2), (3) (b), or (4) of section 43-247, except as ordered by the court pursuant to section 43-290, shall be paid by:

- (a) The county for the period of time prior to adjudication, except as provided in subdivision (1)(b) of this section. Such costs paid for by the county include, but are not limited to, the costs of detention, services, detention alternatives, treatment, voluntary services, and transportation;
 - (b) The Office of Probation Administration for:
- (i) The period of time after adjudication until termination of court jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, the costs of evaluations, detention, services, placement that is not detention, detention alternatives, treatment, voluntary services, and transportation, other than transportation paid under subdivision (1)(c) of this section;
- (ii) The time period prior to adjudication for a juvenile who is on probation and is alleged to have committed a new violation or is a juvenile who is subject to a motion to revoke probation; and
 - (iii) Preadjudication evaluations and preadjudication placements that are not detention; and
- (c) The Office of Juvenile Services for any period of time from when the court commits the juvenile to the Office of Juvenile Services until the juvenile is discharged by the Office of Juvenile Services, including, but not limited to, the costs of evaluations, placement, services, detention including detention costs prior to placement, and transportation to and from the youth rehabilitation and treatment center.
- (2) For payment of costs involved in the adjudication and disposition of juveniles, other than those described in subsection (1) or (3) of this section:
- (a) The Department of Health and Human Services shall pay the costs incurred during an evaluation or placement with the department that is ordered by the court except as otherwise ordered by the court pursuant to section 43-290;
- (b) Payment of costs for juveniles with a court adjudication or disposition under section 43-284: Upon a determination by the court that there are no parental, private, or other funds available for the care, custody, education, and maintenance of the juvenile, the court may order a reasonable sum for the care, custody, education, and maintenance of the juvenile to be paid out of a fund appropriated annually by the county where the petition is filed until suitable provisions are made for the juvenile without such payment. The amount to be paid by a county for education shall not exceed the average cost for education of a public school student in the county in which the juvenile is placed and shall be paid only for education in kindergarten through grade twelve; and
 - (c) Other costs shall be as provided in section 43-290.
- (3) Payment of costs of medical expenses of juveniles under the Nebraska Juvenile Code shall be as provided in section 43-290.

Source

Laws 2014, LB464, § 21.

Sheli (Michelle) Schindler



From:

Brittany L. Behrens

Sent:

Wednesday, July 22, 2015 10:34 AM

To:

Sheli (Michelle) Schindler

Subject:

staff meeting tomorrow

Sheli,

I am out of the office tomorrow and Friday. We are going to KC for a little oceans of fun and baseball! If the Board has questions you can simply read 43-290.01 to them, which only talks about who pays the cost of transport and at what point. The actual doing of the physical transport is not addressed in statute. Typically the payor wants to control the physical transport as a cost containment measure.

Brittany

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Incumbent salary Gary Chalupa

\$82,815

Date of Hire 9/95

		Min	Max
Market Midpoint (2015)		\$56,379	\$84,026
Current Salary Rick Ringlein Date of Hire 1/96		\$60,773	
	5%	\$63,812	
	8%	\$65,635	
	10%	\$66,850	
	12%	\$68,066	
	15%	\$69,889	

