

Call to Order & Introductions: Vice-Chair BurtonBurke called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. All who were in attendance stated their names and organizations.

Agenda Approval: Moved by Commissioner Walton and seconded by Commissioner Rhoads, the agenda was approved unanimously.

Public Comments/Oral Petitions: None.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Commissioner Manchester and seconded by Commissioner Walton to approve the June 4, 2019 Minutes was approved unanimously.

REPORTS

Chair's Report: Vice-Chair BurtonBurke reported on the following:

- The following inspection reports have been approved and posted to the JJC website: Law Enforcement Detention Facilities (led by Victoria BurtonBurke), James Ranch (led by Ray Blockie) and the Annual Chair's JJC Report (pending posting.)

Commissioner Pennypacker reported on the following on the Annual Chair's Report for 2018-19:

- Three (3) commissioners resigned and three (3) new commissioners were appointed.
- Goals and objectives submitted in the previous annual report have been met and exceeded.
- All scheduled inspections have been completed.
- JJC increased the number of visits to the RAIC and included an interim instead of a full report due to uncertainty of the location of the RAIC. JJC was active in pursuing a resolution on the finalization and location of the RAIC.
- JJC conducted several visits to Group Homes as well as the STRTPS and THPP.
- JJC continues to monitor the implementation of the Continuum of Care Reform Act focusing on the transition from congregate care to therapeutic care services, Family Finding and Resource Family Placements.
- Last year, a two-year study was completed on education in the juvenile justice system and the report was published. The committee met with the Superintendent of COE and members of the management team to discuss the findings and recommendations.
- There was also a special interest and focus on the detention of children twelve (12) years and younger entering Juvenile Hall. A work group was established to look at kids who have been brought into the system at such a young age as well as examining the former report to see if the same issues existed.
- JJC was very active legislatively with letters written to the State Legislature about chemical sprays used in institutions, designation of the minimum age of 12 for juvenile justice system entry, plus a collaboration between JPD and State Division of Juvenile Justice Facilities to offer post-secondary education or technical training.
- JJC supported funding for positions in Probation and Superior Court.
- JJC members served on or participated in thirty-four (34) standing or ad-hoc committees relating to juvenile justice or dependency systems.
- JJC members attended 10 trainings on various topics.

Vice-Chair BurtonBurke reported the following for Commissioner Ray Blockie on the Ranch Report:

- COE has developed new education programs focused on career and technical education for which it will be receiving a commendation.

COE will also receive a commendation for hiring a teacher qualified to teach welding and shop; medical services for continued quality improvement in initiatives and leadership; Starlight and Pathway staff for dedicated services reflected in the youths' comments.

- Recommendations are for the development and adoption of required policies and procedures by October 31, 2019.
- Meaningful and immediate longitudinal outcomes data on Behavioral Health Services.
- An electronic health record system accessible by all health service providers including contracted staff which is aimed at the Starlight staff.

Vice-Chair BurtonBurke, who chaired the Law Enforcement Detention Facilities, reported on the following:

- Complimented LEAs for their prompt response in implementing all items noted as problematic before the report was completed. They did an amazing job following through on requirements.
- Two (2) agencies kept kids in secured detention due to misdemeanor violation of delaying or obstructing a police officer.
- Very few other agencies held kids for anything other than serious or violent offenses. No kids were kept over six (6) hours.
- Unfortunately one law enforcement agency had forgotten its responsibility to report to BSCC requirements for keeping kids in a secure or non-secure detention. This issue has now been resolved and reports are being filed monthly.

Juvenile Justice Court: Judge Lucero reported on the following:

- Judge Lucero thanked JJC for its diligent work on inspection reports, adding that there is much relief knowing JJC is on top of these various LE facilities and how youth are handled.
- Judges Bondonno and Alloggiamento conducted their own inspection of Juvenile Hall and their report was given to Probation with a few comments and will be published soon. A combined training with Dependency Justice System on Katie A Services will be September 11, 2019 at 12:00 noon, on the 8th floor of the Family Justice Courthouse. The training combined so that all receive the same information regarding Katie A Services. Judge Edwards may participate in the training as he is urging everyone to become familiar with Katie A Services because youth have a right to these services as they enter the system.

Judge Bondonno reported on the following:

- Judge Bondonno visited the North London Youth Court, saying it follows what Santa Clara County does and is focused on trauma. Judge Bondonno said what most interested him was spending an afternoon with the head juvenile probation officer from the Camden and Islington districts. A detective from Metropolitan Police assigned to work with the probation officer gets up every morning at 4:00 a.m. and reads every written report of contact with any youth occurring the night before. By 9:00 a.m. he has a conference call with the probation officer about any child who is not behaving properly, so the probation officer can act that day or the youth can see the judge within the next two days. Judge Bondonno feels Santa Clara County should consider doing this to lessen the time it takes for a youth to see a judge.
- Judge Bondonno will report next month on issues relating to reports from Behavioral Health.

Dependency Court: Judge Lucero Reported on the following:

- They just had a Title 4 review from the Judicial Council and overall Dependency Court continues to make appropriate findings. There was concern about lack of information on reproductive health in dependency reports and in actual court files and that is a problem because state law requires foster youth have documentation they are aware of their reproductive health rights. Every Juvenile Justice report includes such documentation, so we are covered. Mary Michael from the Judicial Council was concerned about not having that in the DFCS reports.

Alternative Schools Department, COE: David Putney reported on the following:

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- Mark Camilleri will join staff at Blue Ridge; Jeff Arnett will join staff at Osborne/ Juvenile Hall and Eugene Santillan will join staff at community side at Sunol Community School as an assistant principal. They are also opening a community school for South County in Gilroy. Kristina Villarreal begins today, August 6, 2019 as a librarian/literacy teacher. A materials technician has been hired to ensure there are quality instructional materials in classrooms.
- COE is preparing to move into the new classrooms at James Ranch and plans on being in the classrooms August 22, 2019.
- There is a pre-apprentice program, a joint venture with Northern California Apprenticeships, occurring at James Ranch.
- The new culinary arts instructor began this summer and has begun the first level on the master schedule. With the new culinary arts instructor, they will rebuild the garden over the summer at Blue Ridge and link it to a life-lab, growing plants to be used in the culinary arts class for a farm-to-table experience. There will now be two (2) significant career technical education pathways available at James Ranch.
- The Culinary Arts program will be linked to Mission College. The Building Trades CET Courses are linking to North Cal Apprenticeship Program Training Center in San Ramon, CA. For students entering the formal apprenticeship program from the Ranch and choosing to continue when they leave the Ranch, they will have free subsidized housing at the San Ramon facility.
- Mark Camilleri and Jeff Arnett are trainers in PBIS. They will be looking forward to talking about how to extend the program to Blue Ridge and at community schools.
- The majority of staff will be back August 19, 2019 and will spend a couple of professional development days focusing on quality-first instruction, looking mainly at core academics, how to define and supplement academics and how to do credit recovery.

Vice Chair BurtonBurke asked if there was coordination with Probation for youth going into housing in San Ramon for five (5) days of the week. Dr. Putney said that is a student's individual choice, and that COE is talking with Probation on a daily basis, but ultimately the student would have to want to do the apprenticeship program when they leave the Ranch.

Commissioner Rhoads asked if they will be able to continue to receive/participate in after-care and other services Probation provides. Dr. Putney said no, that it would be very different in San Ramon adding that they are learning as they go as this is all new territory for COE. Dr. Putney, Mr. Birchard and Ms. Ugalde have been in discussion on how to link the programs from the Ranch to the outside world as well as how to do the after-care.

Vice-Chair BurtonBurke said there was some discussion about having the culinary arts teacher working at Juvenile Hall. Dr. Putney said they were looking at linking their courses back into Juvenile Hall and

are working on redeveloping the master schedule, anticipating adding another classroom to the girls unit. They are looking at either culinary arts or building trades possibly coming to Juvenile Hall one day a week. Building Trades is easier to start with due to its welding simulators, a plastic box connected to a computer where students can learn welding skills in a safe controlled environment, where culinary arts is more hands-on. As Blue Ridge builds momentum, it will look at how to get back into Juvenile Hall. COE hopes kids at Juvenile Hall will be exposed to the programs especially in G-1, B-1 and B-3 Units, since those are long-term units. It is hoped students are exposed to the introductory course in each of their career pathways so if they go to Blue Ridge they can continue the second and third courses.

Commissioner Pennypacker asked about post-secondary education. Dr. Putney said they still have their full-time college and career liaisons at Juvenile Hall and the Ranch, and that students are doing on-line classes with Evergreen, San Jose City and De Anza Colleges. There more than 20 students at Juvenile Hall, five (5) of them in high school and fifteen (15) are high school graduates taking on-line classes. COE is in dialogue with staff from Juvenile Hall and Blue Ridge to use a dedicated room. One of the new classrooms will be the college and career post-secondary class, where COE staff will be working to pull kids from different classes during the day and offer a dedicated classroom for on-line classes.

Probation Department Juvenile Program: Alex Villa reported on the following:

- The Community Based Probation Unit is expanding into South County soon.

Carl Tadamaru reported on the following:

- Hot August Nights was a great success.
- Juvenile Hall staff just went through their bidding process and new shifts will begin Monday, August 12, 2019.
- Mr. Tadamaru and Mr. Rooney conducted interviews in June 2019 to hire new staff for Group Counselors, interviewing about sixty (60) candidates. Four (4) of these were currently extra help and now will be starting full-time August 12, 2019; sixteen (16) are currently in the background phase in various stages; there are about twenty (20) vacancies. Several Probation Officers with previous Juvenile Hall experience were given an opportunity for overtime in Juvenile Hall to help with staffing. Without their help counselors would not have been able to take time off.

Sean Rooney reported on the following:

- Juvenile Hall continues to move forward installing cameras and recording equipment.
- HVAC for the control desk and electronics closet will be installed around August 21, 2019.
- The video system should be up and running by the end of December 2019, featuring new control panels and upgraded cameras to record sound and audio.

Nick Birchard reported on the following:

- The population report for July 2019 was distributed. Population at Juvenile Hall is 110, with 97 males and 13 females. Ranch population is at 57, with 49 males and 8 females.
- A change has been added to the Average Length of Stay breakdown of the Daily Statistics Report. Kids awaiting a transfer hearing are being captured separately at the bottom of the second page because the small number of these kids skews data on average length of stay for the rest of the youth. They are still working on capturing whether the youth's time was from detention or first adjudication.

- Youth moved into the new dorm at the Ranch July 17, 2019. The next phase is to tear down the old dorm, then begin construction on the new administration building. On-going construction continues for the gymnasium and kitchen with hopes to be complete in the next three (3) to six (6) months. The gymnasium will be completed before the kitchen, but access may be denied due to the on-going construction. It is hoped but not guaranteed completion will be in October 2019

Maureen Wheatly reported on the following:

- Probation Department is beginning its State mandated Deputy Probation Officer core training which will be about six (6) weeks.
- Orientation has been completed for staff at Juvenile Probation and Adult Probation.

Commissioner Pennypacker asked Mr. Tadamaru if the 20 vacancies are only in Juvenile Hall and how many vacancies are at the Ranch. Mr. Tadamaru said there are four (4) or five (5) vacancies, with Mr. Rooney adding that interviews were just conducted. There is on-going staff movement between Juvenile and the PO series where recently thirteen (13) transferred to the PO side. It is a positive thing for staff to be cross-trained. They are working with HR to streamline the background process as that determines the length of hiring which is anywhere from four (4) to eight (8) months.

Vice-Chair Burton-Burke asked about the status of BPIS. Mr. Rooney said that since shift change just occurred, all supervisors will be training first then train the unit staff and should be up and running for the entire facility by January 2020. There have been good results with the girls unit and they have tweaked the software to capture some data they want. So now it is just training staff and building each unit as they go, keeping bandwidth to pull some staff offline as coaches to work with the other staff.

Commissioner Rhoads asked Mr. Rooney to elaborate on expected time to complete hiring and whether he is satisfied with the quality and size of the applicant pool. Mr. Birchard said there are anywhere from 900 to 1,100 applicants who meet minimum requirements. Once tested, they are ranked and then the internal process begins. Ninety (90) staff were interviewed in the first round for group counselors, and the second wave allowed them to reach a little deeper into the pool of about sixty (60) individuals. The next step is the psychological and vetting process.

Commissioner Tarpey asked about the turnover rate. Mr. Birchard said there is not a large turnover rate as it is all internal, adding that a large group will be retiring soon. Mr. Tadamaru added that there is longevity in the department and turnovers are due to promotions. Mr. Rooney said they interview approximately every six (6) months for the base-line counselor. Mr. Birchard added that they are in a five-year window for retirements.

Department of Children and Family Service/Children's Receiving Center (DFCS): Dan Little reported on the following:

- There is a contract with Seneca regarding Family Finding, with Seneca working on building up its capacity. DFCS has asked Seneca to start with intensive supervised visitation for the children removed within the first thirty (30) to sixty (60) days and part of that will be a Family Finding component. They submitted a requisition for a team of six (6) extra help Social Workers and a project manager to help develop an internal family finding model to work concurrently with the Seneca model. They are working with Office of Contract Management and Office of Research and Evaluation to help identify a best-practice model to use, with the idea that they have an up-front intensive service intervention and then a warm hand-off. They have a couple of family finders who are working with their permanency for the adoption component.

- DFCS has a weekly tactical meeting with its leadership team to create an internal work group of County Counsel to develop consistent reporting across all Social Workers.
- Mr. Little said that for the month of August 2019, he will be working almost solely on the RAIC. He said they need to work on a new name for the RAIC because its transitioning to a shelter has caused confusion about what a receiving and assessment center is versus a shelter. When speaking about the RAIC, Mr. Little refers to the Enborg site, now really the 5-day shelter. During the month of August 2019 a steering committee will look at the actual shelter. In addition there will be four (4) ad-hoc groups examining administrative projects, shelter diversion, program support and technology support.
- There have been large training groups due to thirty (30) Social Workers starting the first week of August 2019.

Commissioner Pennypacker asked for an update on the location of the RAIC and if a new lease has been signed or if the County purchase the site. Mr. Little said that as things stand today, they are planning on being at the Enborg site. Part of the new steering committee responsibilities is looking at the best use of space at the Enborg site. Mr. Little had no new information on the lease of the Enborg site.

Commissioner Rhoads asked Mr. Little and Mr. Birchard for the status of the MST program and if DFCS is participating. Mr. Little said they are unsure of the status of the service. Judge Lucero said she is getting many cases with MST support of kids ages twelve (12) to fourteen (14), and they are always in court and seems to be utilized for the youngest kids with the highest needs to keep them out of custody. Mr. Birchard said that that was the intention of the program but he does not know how many are participating.

Behavioral Health - Mental Health Services: Veronica Robles reported on the following:

- Staff is down by three (3) out of eighteen (18) positions but is currently recruiting two (2) with hopes to have hired them by the first week of September. The three (3) positions are for two (2) clinicians and one (1) rehab counselor.

Behavioral Health - Alcohol and Drug Services: No Report.

Law Enforcement: None.

District Attorney's Office, Juvenile Justice: Carolyn Powell reported on the following:

- Grace Cuba is leaving the DA's Office and will be working for County Counsel in their Dependency Unit. They are hoping to find her replacement by the end of August 2019 or the beginning of September 2019.
- There has been a lot of shuffling of attorneys in the court room hence all the new faces.
- Ms. Powell said she will be in a jury trial that is expected to last through the end January 2020 and apologized in advance for her absence at JJC meetings or slow in getting back to people.

Public Defender's Office: Nisreen Younis reported on the following:

- The DIY Under Fourteen Committee had an amazing presentation by Behavioral Health regarding all services within the County. A proposed MOU is being drafted, with hopes to get

on the Police Chief's Association agenda, to amend the law enforcement protocol regarding juvenile detention. The proposed MOU would be presented to Probation, the DA's Office and partners before presentation to the Police Chief's Association. It will mirror the protocol already in place for law enforcement when encountering a youth under twelve (12) years of age. The deadline for the County protocol is January 1, 2020.

- Staffing change effective September 3, 2019 Barbara Wolf will be leaving and will be replaced by Judy Yang.
- The Fifth District Court of Appeals ruled SB1391 to be constitutional. SB1391 is somewhat controversial law regarding transfer of fourteen (14) and fifteen (15) year olds to adult court. The First District and the Third District both ruled SB1391 to be constitutional. The California Supreme Court has denied review of the First and Third District cases. The Sixth District has not yet ruled. Jeff Dunn from the Public Defender's Office is scheduled for oral argument in front of the Sixth District on August 27, 2019. The date may be changed due to the Attorney General wanting to be present.
- Ms. Younis expressed her pleasure that the Juvenile Hall numbers were down.

Dana Bunnett asked Ms. Younis to explain what the ruling means. Ms. Younis said the Legislature passed SB1391 and the three (3) appellate courts ruled SB1391 to be constitutional. If one of the courts finds it to be unconstitutional, it creates a split in authority and the California Supreme Court is likely to be forced take that up. Carolyn Powell said if there is an appellate district that goes the other way the California Supreme Court will likely take it up to resolve the dispute.

Alternate Defender's Office: No Report.

Independent Defender's Office: No report.

Legal Advocates for Children & Youth (LACY): Andrew Cain reported on the following:

- Effective August 12, 2019 Julia Souza will take over as Supervising Attorney overseeing the education practice. A replacement for Ms. Souza in CITA will be hired soon.
- LACY is in the planning stages of implementing funding received from the County of Santa Clara under its Intimate Partner Violence funding allocated this past year. They will be going into a small number of San Jose high schools to deliver a curriculum around Intimate Partner Violence, specifically legal rights and warning signs around IPV. It will be a multi-disciplinarian model with an attorney and a social worker designing and delivering the curriculum. Other CBO's will be doing something similar under IPV funding. Community Solutions, YWCA and My Tree will go into middle schools and high schools as well. The hope is these groups all work together to coordinate presentation sites and curriculum.

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Dana Bunnett asked if all counties benefit from the funding. Mr. Cain said every county will receive the same percentage. The judicial council has a formula to determine how much each county needs to support both parent and child representation.

Medical Services: Chia-Chin Lee reported on the following:

- Two (2) senior nurses, Nurse Young with 29 years of experience and Nurse Bonila with 27 years of experience are retiring.

Office of Mediation and Ombuds Services: Ruth Maurice reported on the following:

- OMS is in talks with Commissioner Pennypacker about doing an office-wide presentation to JJC sometime in 2019 to talk about OMS's mediation services as well as their Adult Custody Ombuds and the Juvenile Welfare Ombuds.

Announcements/Correspondence: None

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Adjourn to Executive Session: Vice-Chair BurtonBurke adjourned to Executive Session at 1:09 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 3, 2019, DA Crime Lab Conference Room, 250 W. Hedding St., San Jose, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Crump