

**COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
APPROVED Meeting Minutes-September 2, 2014
Crime Lab, 1st Floor
250 W. Hedding St.
San Jose, CA 95110**

Commissioners Present: Penny Blake, Chair
Stephen Betts, Secretary
Raymond Blockie
Dana Bunnett
Victoria BurtonBurke
Bonnie Charvez
Kimberly Dong
Ronald Hansen
Tracy Lauth
Nora Manchester
Jean Pennypacker
Hananeel Jeremiah Tanojo

Commissioners Absent: Raul Colunga, Pamela Serrano & Vincent Tarpey

Also Present: Honorable Patrick Tondreau, Superior Court, Dept. 77
Honorable Mike Clark, Superior Court, Dept. 67
Honorable Margaret Johnson, Superior Court, Dept.79a
Honorable Katherine Lucero, Superior Court
Rita Loncarich, Probation Department
Diane Perez, Probation Department
Ana Soria, Probation Department
Laura Gavin, Mental Health, JPD
Jose Lepe, Probation Department
Robert de Jesus, Probation Department
Daniel Camp, Alternate Defender's Office
Jose Franco, Public Defender's Office
Joy Hernandez, FLY
Dan Lloyd, Department of Alcohol & Drug Services (DADS)
Jennifer Kelleher, LACY
Neysa Fligor, County Counsel
Tara Strong, Principal, Blue Ridge (SCCOE)
Yvette Irving, Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE)
Khristel Johnson, Principal, Osborne (SCCOE)
Chia-Chen Lee, VMC
Lani Huong Le, VMC
Jennifer Hubbs, Department of Family & Children's Services (DFCS)/Receiving Center

Guests Present: Gina Peralta, W. Haywood Burns Institute
& Laura Ridolfi, W. Haywood Burns Institute
Hanafi Tanojo, Parent of Youth Commissioner
Natalia Tanojo, Parent of Youth Commissioner
Lyn Johnson, Private Citizen
Rev. Dr. Margaret Boles, Private Citizen
Karen Brajenovich, Ombuds, Santa Clara County
Jessica Selvin, Alameda County Juvenile Justice DPC
Louise Anderson, Alameda County Juvenile Justice DPC
Lois Brubeck, Alameda County Juvenile Justice DPC
Arnold Perkins, Alameda County Juvenile Justice DPC

Call to Order & Introductions: Chair Blake called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m. All who were in attendance stated their names and organization.

Agenda Approval:

Moved by Commissioner Lauth and seconded by Commissioner Manchester, the agenda was approved unanimously.

Public Comments/Oral Petitions: Dana Bunnett, on behalf of Kids in Common, provided flyers and announced that there will be a College Day event at each school in Santa Clara County on October 10, 2014. Please visit college.org for ideas and information.

Commissioner BurtonBurke introduced Jeremiah Tanojo, Youth Commissioner elect saying that he attends Kings Academy and is actively involved in many aspects of service to the community. Judge Tondreau swore-in Jeremiah Tanojo as a 2nd Youth Commissioner.

Presentation: Marielle Caballero, Juvenile Probation Services Program Manager, Gina Peralta, Site Manager & Laura Ridolfi, Law & Policy Analyst, both of The W. Haywood Burns Institute provided a hand-out of the PowerPoint presentation and presented the Santa Clara County Probation Department's 2013 Juvenile Justice System Annual Report. (Note: The "2013 Juvenile Justice Annual Report" in its entirety, is attached.)

Judge Tondreau commented on Overrides, saying that the national best practice standard discretionary overrides is 15% and Santa Clara County is at 40% adding that the county would like to take a look at overrides for 2014 and make improvements.

Commissioner Bunnett asked for clarification about the decrease in placements. Ms. Caballero said there was 88% increase in the use of wrap services and a 48% decrease in the use of out-of-home placement that includes in-county and out-of-county and out-of-state home placements adding that Probation is trying to take the holistic approach to family services.

Commissioner Pennypacker asked about the lack of slides on Direct File. Ms. Caballero said data sources are giving slightly different numbers and therefore they did not show those slides. Ms. Ridolfi added that they are looking at number of youth that are eligible for Direct File (707) and what the reasons are for Direct File. Ms. Caballero said there are minor changes and the Burns Institute is working with the DA's Office. Previously a hand count was done and this year the case management system was used to do an automated count and the numbers did not match up. Commissioner Pennypacker also said she would like to see the last 2 years of data. Ms. Ridolfi said they are hoping to look at that data every six (6) months so they can keep track of the numbers of Direct Files adding that the last full year of data was 2012. Once the system is automated they are hoping to repeat the data. Also, there is a new protocol put in place at the DA's Office to monitor those youth who are being directly filed on a regular basis and how they fit within any of the five (5) fitness factors.

Commissioner Bunnett asked in relation to Direct Files, do we know if the difference in percentages are statistically significant. Ms. Ridolfi said they are looking to see know our youth are being petitioned for.

Judge Valencia asked about the 30% drop in arrest of minors, is there a comparison with Adult Probation? Ms. Caballero said they don't have that information but will be looking at that info adding that statewide is a couple years behind and that nationally juvenile crime is down. Ms. Caballero also said they don't know if arrests are down because less crime is being committed or because less officers

are on the streets. San Jose has fewer officers patrolling and some communities still experience high murder rates and violent crime rates and those communities need our support.

Approval of Minutes: The following change was made to the July 1, 2014 meeting draft minutes:

1. On page 5 (Judge Valencia's report), first bullet point at top of page reads the "The JTC CETA collaboration ... should read JTC CITA.

Moved by Commissioner Manchester and seconded by Commissioner Blockie to approve the minutes as amended which passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Chair's Report: Chair Blake had no report.

Juvenile Justice Court: Judge Tondreau reported on the following:

- Next training will be October 1, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. at the Probation Department with Judge Johnson giving a presentation on Parentage. Probation Officers and Attorneys for minor's attendance is strongly recommended.
- The Beyond the Bench Conference will be Friday, September 5, 2014 at the Masonic Temple beginning at 8:30. Thirty (30) openings are still available.
- In March, the Juvenile Justice Beyond the Bench the Distinguished Service Award changed its name to the "Honorable Kurt Kumli Distinguished Service Award" in his honor. This year's recipient is DDA Marc Bullard. The Unsung Hero Award recipient is Dr. Tiana Nelson who has been instrumental in the Juvenile Treatment Court CITA Program.
- Due to the decrease in hearings over the last 5 years, beginning in January of 2015, there will be a decrease from four (4) to three (3) courtrooms. Already begun not sending new cases to Dept. 79.
- The Law Enforcement protocol for commercially sexually exploited children and youth is nearly complete. As soon as full approval is received it will be distributed.

Judge Valencia reported on the following:

- Financial Evaluation Hearings and the protocols have been finalized. Working on finalizing the actual referral forms working with Victoria Cervantes. Further updates will occur at the Systems meeting.
- Collaborative training between JTC and CITA is moving forward with a meeting this week.

Judge Lucero reported on the following:

- The Day-Away Program for CITA and JTC will be held at The Hub.
- Grant meetings will be every couple weeks for the Dual Diagnosis Court with the hiring of new staff to occur within the first 90 days. A Dual Status Court Coordinator and an Education Champion Coordinator will be hired to make sure each of the youth in the courts are successful educationally.
- 3,500 hours of youth mentor money is available. Youth who have successfully gone through the system will be hired to work with youth currently in the system.

- October 3, 2014 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the Domestic Violence Conference will be held at the Santa Clara Marriott Hotel.
- October 16, 2014 off-site for Treatment Court at CTC and will have youth fair at 1:30 with connections to jobs at the Levi Stadium, thanks to CTC who, in cooperation with Levi Stadium, are helping youth get jobs. If you want youth to attend the youth fair work with them on their resumes and then forward via e-mail their case number and it will be posted at the door for them to can come in for the opportunity court.

Judge Johnson reported on the following:

- The Parentage Program will be held on October 1, 2014 at 3:00pm. This program is very important as we are required to determine parentage in our juvenile delinquency cases. Marymichael Miatovich from the AOC along with Judge Johnson will be giving the presentation. Judge Johnson would like a head count to determine where it should be held.
- Judge Johnson shared that she had a kid who got a job at Levi Stadium and is very happy.

Dependency Court: Judge Clark had reported on the following.

- Monday, September 8, 2014 will be an all-day training on parent/child visitation and reunification cases. Rose Wentz will talk about evidence based practices. It will be held in the auditorium at the West Julian facility.

Probation Department Juvenile Program: Robert de Jesus reported on the following:

- Hot August Nights, held on Friday, August 29, 2014 and put on by the Juvenile Hall MAAC Program, was a huge success with singers & dancers performing for the kids and even had a dunk tank. Kids got a chance to dunk one of their staff. Pizza was brought in for the youth along with car clubs that brought their 1950's vehicles and motorcycles. Kids & adults had a great time.

Ms. Rita Loncarich reported on the following:

- Annual program call Secrets sponsored by Kaiser is about safe-sex.
- The population report for August was distributed and Ms. Loncarich noted the population at Juvenile Hall is 119 with 110 boys and 9 girls. The Ranch population is at 37, with 35 males and 2 females.

Mental Health: Lauren Gavin reported on the following:

- Competency Restoration has no waiting list.
- Still working on integration issues combining DADS staff with Mental Health staff.

Department of Alcohol & Drug Services (DADS): Mr. Dan Lloyd reported on the following:

- Clinics staff are back in the schools.
- Filling vacancies in the next few weeks including QIC Valley Improvement Coordinator position.

- Moving forward with expansion of services at a couple of locations including The Hub, Department of Family Services and the San Jose Conservation Corps Senter Road location.

Department of Children & Family Service/Children’s Receiving Center: Ms. Jennifer Hubbs reported on the following:

- Statistics have been distributed.
- With more people to answer phones there will be increase children coming in to protective custody.
- Still struggling with keeping siblings together due in part to the housing costs in Santa Clara County to have enough rooms available.
- Appreciate the participation in the Stake Holders process.
- Second round of focus groups reporting back staff and service providers and advisory group.
- Great care is given to meet deadlines put forth by contract.
- Scheduled additional focus groups for youth and county licensed foster parents for September 9, 2014.
- Before, placement report was a week behind, now a new report will be generated daily with a 1-2 day lag time.

Judge Lucero asked about house on how full. Ms. Hubbs responded that the social workers have to release the kids from foster care adding that announcements are sent out once there’s a vacancy.

Law Enforcement Agencies: None

District Attorney’s Office, Juvenile Justice: None

Independent Defender’s Office: No report.

Alternate Defender Office: No report.

Public Defender’s Office: Mr. Jose Franco reported on the following:

- Denise Tanasa will be working with juvenile record sealing’s.
- DPD Melissa Wardlaw is replacing DPD Fatima Ortiz beginning October 1, 2014.

Legal Advocates for Children & Youth (LACY): Jennifer Kelleher reported on the following:

- Annual LACY Honors Luncheon will be held on November 7, 2014 at the Palo Alto Crown Plaza Cabana. Individual award will go to Laura Garnett, a kid’s legal organization is honoring Probation and the Organization winner is Kids in Common. There will be a special award honoring Judge Kumli.
- Collaborated with Jose Franco and his team to help with ID theft issues for probation youth who are getting their credit reports run by the State. LACY has engaged with a pro-bono firm to assist with those cases.

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

- Beginning Tuesday, September 9, 2014, ten (10) nursing students from SJSU will start the fall semester rotation with the Juvenile Hall Clinic.

- There was one (1) identified Pertussis case from Juvenile Hall for the month of August. In the clinical setting, this presents two challenges regarding communicable diseases: the first challenge is an incubation period, where a patient is able to spread a disease but has no symptoms; the second challenge is a patient not responding to vaccines, which happens with only 1-2% of the population. The clinic is working closely with the Public Health Department to re-evaluate the screening and treatment process for communicable diseases.

Alternative Schools Department, COE: Yvette Irving reported on the following:

- Ms. Irving introduced Tara Strong as the new principal of Blue Ridge School at the James Ranch who has a counseling background and Khristel Johnson as the new principal at Osborne School who comes in with experience with school programs and had recently worked in a program on Treasure Island with students that had been placed by the juvenile courts.

Victim Witness Assistance Center: None

YWCA Rape Crisis Center: None

Announcements/Correspondence: None

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Adjourn to Executive Session: Chair Blake adjourned the meeting to Executive Session at 1:33 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 7, 2014 at 12:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Crump