



**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE/DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION**

Minutes of the October 19, 2015 Meeting

**Detention Administration
535 W. Mathews Road
French Camp, California 95231**

Commissioners Present: John Bayley, Daniel Castillo, Gary Gershon, Alejandra Roque, Linda Silverman, Roslyn Watkins

Commissioners Absent: Antonio Amador, John Harris*, Gretchen Newby, Douglas Srulowitz, Paul Wagner

County Department Representatives Present: Judge Michael Coughlin (Superior Court), Chief Stephanie L. James (Probation), Duane Blevins (Juvenile Detention), Mark Elliott (Juvenile Probation), Gary Gunderson (Mary Graham Children's Shelter), Akkia Pride-Polk (Human Services Agency)

- I. Meeting called to order at 3:12 PM by Chairperson Bayley.
 - A. Welcome to Members of the Community/Announcements
 - B. Roll Call
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance
 - D. Approval of Order of Agenda – Approved unanimously with no changes.
 - E. Introductions
- II. Public Comments - None
- III. Swearing in on New Commissioners-
 - A. Commissioner Roslyn Watkins sworn in.
- IV. Administrative Matters
 - A. Approval of Public Meeting Minutes for 09/14/15 – Unanimous, without changes; Commissioner Watkins abstained.
 - B. Treasurer's Report – Chairperson Bayley reported a balance of \$675.41
 - C. Staff Coordinator: Duane Blevins reported the following:
 1. 3 Commissioner vacancies, all nominated by Superior Court
 2. Resignation of Aloise Hamiel and 2 nominated youth positions
 3. Paperwork Required: Commissioner Candidate Harris - Oath, Appointment Letter, & Personnel Packet
 - D. Correspondence
 1. Request from Rose Clegg to become a Commissioner; no open positions at this time if Candidate Harris returns.
 2. United Way correspondence distributed to Commissioners
 - E. 2016 Meeting Dates – approved unanimously
- V. Department Reports, Presentations, and Discussion
 - A. Juvenile Court – Judge Coughlin reported San Joaquin County Superior Court's computerized case management system went live today. There were some bugs, but they should be worked out. Filings by the District Attorney have significantly increased in the past month. Additionally, there are a lot of crossover youth coming through the juvenile court, but

they cannot be detained in juvenile hall if the only reason for detention is lack of appropriate housing. In response to an inquiry from Chairperson Bailey, Judge Coughlin indicated he is not aware of a letter appointing the JJDPC to inspect lock-ups, but he can write a letter if the Commission wishes.

- B. Chief's Report – Chief James provide the Commission a copy of the Probation Department's first Annual Report. The Department is still analyzing trend data. The Department is making steady progress on the Title 15 policy revisions and should be completed by December; the policies will then go through the meet and confer process. The Year-2 Action Plan for the RRED Grant was prepared based on input from the technical advisors. The Department's truancy programs were incorrectly counted as delinquency referrals, and that data is being corrected. The County partners are looking at uniform race reporting guidelines. The Probation Department is looking at reasons for overriding the Detention Risk Assessment Instrument and the Probation Violation process to improve consistency. Being considered are GPS alternatives to detention and a reduction from 60 days to 20 days as the maximum sentence recommendation allowed without prior approval from the Administrative Screening Committee. The Adult Divisions are working through the challenges of the new Superior Court Case Management System.
- C. Human Services Agency – Akkia Pride-Polk reported for the month of September 2015, there were 1018 children in care - including legal guardianship. Of those open cases, 575 were in Permanent Placement/Treatment/Group Homes and 183 were AB12 extended foster care youth. HSA has promoted 2 supervisors for the AB12 and TDM units. There are more vacancies than reported last month, but HA hopes to hire more social workers in the coming weeks.
- D. Mary Graham Children's Shelter – Gary Gunderson provided an AB403 update: the bill was signed effective 1/01/16, with a 1-year transition period. Regulations are currently being written, and Mary Graham will have to rewrite their policies, probably incorporating an assessment center for those youth who will be placed within 24 hours. The current Mary Graham Children's Shelter population averages between 20 and 25 youth per day. Mr. Gunderson met with the Youth Law Center and volunteered to work with them, inviting them to visit the shelter on 11/05/15.
- E. Juvenile Detention – Duane Blevins reported that on October 19, 2015, there were 100 youth in Juvenile Hall and 24 youth in Camp Peterson. Of the 100 youth in Juvenile Hall, 14 were girls – none of which were pregnant, and 36 were direct files. For the month of September 2015, there were 0 escapes from Juvenile Hall or Camp Peterson.
- F. Probation Department – Mark Elliott provided the following report:
- From September 15, 2015 thru October 15, 2015, our Juvenile Probation Admin screening committee has recommended the following on 19 total cases: Camp-3 cases, JJC long term commitments- 5 cases, Pre-wrap 4 cases, CITA 2 cases, Placement- 5 cases, and DJJ- 0 youth.
 - CITA court update

The CITA court staff continue to process multiple referrals. 7 youth have been court ordered to the CITA court program. Probation staff will be doing CITA court presentations for both the District Attorney's and the Public Defender's staff. CITA court will be in session beginning in November 2015.

- CAPS- Community Accountability and Prevention Services

CABs: Community Accountability Based School Program

We currently have 5- CAB panels up and running. Creekside, Beckman, and Millswood in Lodi Unified. Hong-Kingston in Stockton Unified and Lathrop Elementary in Manteca Unified. Taylor and Fremont elementary schools in Stockton Unified will start their panels in January 2016. Delta Sierra Middle School is a future school site.

- Crossroads: Our social workers went to every school district in the County this summer and distributed information about Crossroads. Each social worker has about 17 each on their case load. We currently have one pending candidate in background for our fourth social worker position. Our Social Workers are putting together a program to offer a parent support group beginning in January 2016.

- TRU HOPE YOUTH SUMMIT-presented by the United Way of SJ Co

On Monday October 26, 2015, there is going to be a youth summit at the Stockton Arena from 9am to 2pm. The goal of the Summit is to revive the hope in our youth focusing on practical and motivational strategies to stay safe and focused as they navigate their ever-changing environments on their journey to greatness. (see TRU HOPE SUMMIT FLYER)

Please register at <http://www.truhopesummit.com/>

III. Old Business

A. Positive Youth Justice Initiative Executive Steering Committee Report – Chief James reported the department received a no-cost extension through 12/31/15. There will be a site visit by the Sierra Health Foundation and their technical assistance provider on 10/22/15. A “DA Navigator” ;position will be added to help youth and their families get through the juvenile justice process after an affidavit has been filed by Probation, with the possibility of diverting some youth out of the system if they complete some required steps. Chairperson Bayley commented the recent PYJI graduation went very well, and the keynote speaker was very good.

B. Ad Hoc Committee's Reports

1. Inspection: (Commissioner Castillo) The Commissioners' concerns need to be compiled on the sections relating to meals and mental health services. A motion to edit the inspection report as discussed relating to the food was approved unanimously, but more follow-up is needed regarding the mental health services. The UOP Police facility lockup will be inspected on 10/28/15, and Chairperson Bayley will contact Stockton Police. The plan is to wrap up the inspections by month-end.
2. Community Outreach: (Commissioner Silverman) No report.
3. Education: (Commissioner Wagner) Commissioner Wagner was not present, but the Commission discussed looking online for future conferences and training.
4. Delinquency Prevention: (Commissioner Newby) No report.
5. Group Home Inquiries/Inspections: The By-laws update is progressing, and the improvement in Community Care Licensing's inspection process was discussed. The matter has been “placed on the back burner for now.”

C. Research Projects from Special Meeting

1. Chairperson Bayley shared that the JJDPDC website has been updated with assistance from Chief James. Now current agendas are posted, and Chief James will assist with getting the current roster posted.

V. Commission Members' Suggestion and Comments - None.

VI. Recess to Closed Session - N/A

VIII. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM.

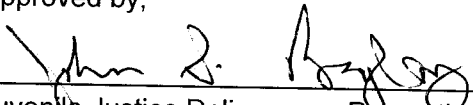
The next monthly meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Monday, 11/09/15 at 3:00 PM in the San Joaquin County Juvenile Justice Center Detention Conference Room, 535 W. Mathews Road, French Camp, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane M. Blevins, Assistant Deputy Chief Probation Officer

November 9, 2015

Approved by,



Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Commission Chairperson

Date: 11/09/2015