

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE/DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION
JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
ROOM C-1002**

May 8, 2013

PRESENT:

Lois Brubeck, Chair	Sokhom Mao, Vice Chair	Dr. Jessica Selvin, Commissioner
Arnold Perkins, Commissioner	Alona Clifton, Commissioner	Marion Sims, Commissioner
Kamal Nair, Commissioner	Rogelio Ham-Chang, Commissioner	Tony Robinson, Youth Commissioner

EXCUSED:

Mary Gilder, Commissioner

GUESTS:

Honorable David Krashna, Judge, Superior Court
Faith Battles, Director of Family and Children Services, Social Services Agency
Terry Wiley, Supervising District Attorney for Juvenile Court
Esa Ehmen-Krause, Deputy Chief Probation Officer, Juvenile Facilities
Dennis Handis, Acting Deputy Chief Probation Officer, Juvenile Services
Christian Munoz, Superintendent of Juvenile Hall
Brian Hopson, Assistant Superintendent, Juvenile Hall
Derrick Bedford, Institutional Supervisor I, Facilities Compliance Supervisor
Lisa Hill, Superintendent of Camp Sweeney
Michael Hermosillo, Principal, ACOE
Hattie Tate, Oakland Unified School District
Ion Long, Unit Supervisor, Transition Center, Probation
April D. Fernando, PhD. Chief of Clinical Operations, Westcost Children's Clinic
Danna Basson, PhD. Director of Research and Evaluation, Westcost Children's Clinic
Jila Hicks, Probation (recorder)

AGENDA ITEM

Approval of April
Meeting minutes

DISCUSSION

There was a motion to approve the minutes as written by Commissioner Sims and seconded by Commissioner Ham and approved by everyone.

ACTION TAKEN

Chief Probation Officer
LaDonna Harris Report

In the absence of Chief Harris, Mr. Handis had nothing to report on behalf of her but the new Deputy Chief Probation Officer for Juvenile Services, Ms. Kathy Martinez was introduced to everyone.

Ms. Martinez talked about her career in Santa Cruz and her role with AB109.

Mr. Handis reported that about 18 to 20 DPOs are in the process of being hired.

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Chief Probation Officer LaDonna Harris Report (Continued)	<p>He reported that at this time the Department is working on placing a minor in a facility in Florida. He is there is no other facility that handles this type of service closer to California that has a vacancy.</p> <p>He said there is also a minor placed in Hawaii and some in other out of state facilities.</p>	
Deputy Chief Esa Ehmen-Krause, Juvenile Facilities	<p>Deputy Chief Ehmen-Krause announced that a new Unit Supervisor, Mr. Darryl Walker, started his assignment with Camp Sweeney this week. Also, four Food Service Workers that were in the process of being hired were disqualified, so the Department is starting the search over again.</p> <p>She announced that next month the Department will start the process of hiring new line staff.</p> <p>She informed the group that the Camp minors will be going to the State capital building at the end of this month for a tour and understanding of how the system work.</p> <p>Other news about the Camp minors is that they are getting involved with Blue Water foundation to do sailing, an experience that most of them never had before.</p> <p>She reported that there was a celebration for Cinco DeMayo at Juvenile Hall few days ago and eight minors from Camp participated and danced at the event.</p> <p>Two minors in Unit 4 are receiving their high school diploma tomorrow and all commissioners are invited to attend.</p> <p><u>Restorative approach</u> Deputy Chief reported that Camp is working on a restorative model and some staff being trained on motivational interviewing.</p> <p><u>Special Training</u> Also it was reported that there is 8 hour training with Guidance Clinic staff for any JIO that shift bids for Unit 6.</p>	
West Coast Children's Clinic	<p>Ms. April Fernando, and Ms. Basson gave a presentation on research and evaluation on violence against women,</p>	

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West Coast Children's Clinic (Continued)	<p>teen dating, and sexual violence.</p> <p>They are from a community psychology clinic that serves minors in the greater bay area.</p> <p>They reported that they submitted a proposal for a grant to NIJ in regards to sexually exploited minors. The study and research focuses on sexual exploitation of minors and how that is interrupted when a minor is at juvenile hall. They explained the research and evaluation process and the confidentiality of minors' information and all the data collection.</p>	
Transition Center	<p>Unit Supervisor Ian Long reported the following information for the month of April.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 157 total referrals - 121 boys - 36 girls - From the total 54 boys and 11 girls were from Oakland <p>Ms. Tate reported that the focus groups for the units started today. Unit 1 had their focus group meeting today and it went great.</p> <p>She reported that collaboration was also done with foster youth advocates and OUSD.</p> <p>She has also started collaboration with Safety net at DA's Office.</p>	
ACOE Report: Mr. Hermosillo	<p>Mr. Hermosillo talked about the suspension policy in the facilities. He shared the School Behavior Report which included the Suspension Notice in the back with everyone.</p> <p>He talked about the way the suspension from school occurs. He also shared the new form he developed called Temporary Academic Program Support (TAPS) that is being used for suspensions.</p>	
District Attorney's Report: Mr. Terry Wiley	<p>Mr. Wiley reported that he is working on getting the commissioners involved with the programs that different law enforcement agencies use. Also, the difference in the approach they take with their programs as far as dealing</p>	

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District Attorney's Report: Mr. Terry Wiley (Continued)	with minors. The discussion led into a more detailed discussion among the group in regards to approach of different law enforcement agencies with different types of minors and disproportionate minority contact (DMC). The Commission decided to discuss this matter further in a special meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 5 th at 11:00 a.m. in Juvenile Justice Center Conference Room C-1002.	
Library	<p>Ms. Amy Cheney, the Facilities Librarian gave a presentation of her assignments at Juvenile Hall and Camp. She passed out a list of authors and guests that have come to Juvenile Hall, which included the special programs being offered by her.</p> <p>She said the average reading grade level in the Juvenile Hall is at fourth grade. But when the minors meet an author in person they feel connected and try harder to read and improve their reading skills.</p> <p>She said her main role is to get the minors interested in reading and education.</p>	
Nominating Committee	<p>Per JJDPC by-laws Commissioner Nair, the Immediate Past Chair will be leading the nominating committee for next year. Commissioners Perkins and Ham volunteered to serve on the nominating committee.</p> <p>Commissioner Nair asked the Commission to forward the name of their nominees to her so she can discuss with the other sub-committee members.</p>	
Social Services Agency: Ms. Faith Battles report	Ms. Battles passed out the Alameda County Title IV-E Waiver Dashboard to everyone present.	
Closed Sessions	The list of facility Inspections and the group home inspections was reviewed by the commissioners and all the commissioners doing the facilities and group home inspections were identified.	
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.	

NEXT MEETING: 12 NOON, WEDNESDAY, June 12, 2013
JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER, Conference Room C-1002 (Downstairs on the 1st floor)
2500 FAIRMONT DRIVE, SAN LEANDRO