

**San Bernardino County  
Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC)  
Executive Subcommittee on DJJ**

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**Minutes for Wednesday April 20, 2022**

**Executive Committee Members**

Tracy Reece, Chairperson, CPO  
Jennifer Cannady, Chief Deputy Public Defender  
Amber Carpenter, Program Manager, Department of Behavioral Health  
Tony Collins CiFuentes, Highlanders Boxing Club  
Owen Duckworth, Inland Empire Rebound Reentry Services  
Donald English, Director, Superintendent of Schools  
Julie Peterson, Assistant District Attorney  
Anabel Romero, Deputy Court Executive Officer  
Terrance Stone, Young Visionaries  
Jeany Zepeda, Deputy Director, Department of Social Services

**Committee Members**

Julie Francis, ACPO  
Eric Raley, Division Director II  
Judge Bryan Stodghill, Superior Courts  
Judge Charles Umeda, Superior Courts  
Kristie Armistead, District Manager II  
Dr. William Oglesby, Deputy Director  
Sandy Bonilla, Founder, Urban Conservation Corps.

Minutes by:  
Shannon Veckey, Secretary II

**Opening of the Meeting**

Julie Francis called the JJCC Executive Subcommittee meeting to order at 3:08 p.m.  
Motion to approve October 5, 2021 meeting minutes, as written, all in favor  
Motion by Terrance Stone and seconded by Owen Duckworth

**Roll Call - Attendance Roster on File**

**Absent/Excused:** Tracy Reece

**Guest(s):**

**Probation Update**

- Dana Smith-Lacy is our newly appointed Deputy Chief who will be taking over the ARISE Bureau and will take over these meetings

**CFS Update**

None

**Court Update**

- New Presiding Judge, Lynn Poncin

**Program Update**

- Julie Francis - Submitted our state plan in January to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration. In January, this organization appointed their Director, Kathleen Lucero. She was the former presiding juvenile court judge in Santa Clara County. They accepted our plan, however they

asked for a little more information. They wanted data on all 707B offenders, they wanted to know how many there were by race, gender and age. (Please see attached power point)

- Julie Francis - We were tasked by the state to include in next years plan, how to retain offenders in the juvenile system and not having them transferred to adult.
- Julie Francis - Any ideas/thoughts for our state plan? Law currently reads, if a youth commits a 707 offense and is over the age of 16, a petition can be filed and a hearing request to transfer that youth to the adult criminal just system where they could be sent to state prison. Or they can be retained in the juvenile system and receive the rehabilitative services.
  - Dr. Oglesby - wants to know if we have any more information on why the 11 went forward to prison?
    - ADA Peterson to look follow up on the reasons
  - Sandy Bonilla - wondering do we know if any unresolved trauma needs to be addressed? It can lead to the offenders re-offending, can look into what services they were receiving?
  - Julie Francis – there will be some youth with such severe needs, the state prisons would have more options with hospitalization.
  - Jennifer Cannady - we should look into creating a committee that talks about Transfer Hearings. This wouldn't be for individual youth, but saying here is the case-law and all the factors we all need to consider. With the consistent change in law, we might not all be looking at the same information. The committee could consist of a Juvenile Supervising Probation Officer from Investigations, District Attorney Juvenile Supervisors, Public Defender supervisor, someone from DBH, someone from conflict panel, someone from the courts and someone from the schools. This could address the concerns on how we're handling the transfers.
  - Julie Francis – we can mention this at our next Judges Meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup>, it can be a really good starting place.
  - Discussion of dual-system youth (welfare/CFS) and services offered at DJJ to build upon
  - Discussion of in depth needs assessment, totality of youths history

### **RFP**

- Eric Raley - We had our second round of RFP's come through and the contracts are now in place. We can begin coordinating with the community organizations to provide services at the Step Down. Everyone has been notified and contracts are public record as well.

### **Discussion of Phase II**

- Eric Raley - Phase II update, we are progressing with the work in San Bernardino, they are working on designating what areas will be worked on first. Project is being expedited and we are hoping to have it ready by the time by the court orders the first youth to Step Down.

### **Victor Valley College Vocational Program**

- Eric Raley - Victor Valley College which was able to qualify and receive funding through the Rising Scholars Network in addition to grants and other opportunities they are receiving. They now recognize the need to significantly step up their justice involved student services. We are working with them so not only are they providing services to the community but they are also able to come

into the facility and provide services there. April 21<sup>st</sup>, they will meet at the facility so they can plan out how to go about the construction and solar panel classes.

**Roundtable**

- Terrance Stone – Requesting a tour of the facility – possible vanpool
- Julie Francis – an email will be sent proposing new meeting dates

**Public Comments**

None

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned by Julie Francis at 3:58 p.m.

*The next JJCC Executive Subcommittee meeting will be held on*

*July 21, 2022*

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