SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL Probation Administration, 175 West Fifth St., 4th Floor, Room 401 (TEAMS Meeting)

March 23, 2022

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PRESENT: Kimberly Epps, Kathleen Huaman, Scott Wyatt, Chris Catren, Thomas Kamara, Melanie Carrion, Claudia Walker, Ann Marie Pierce, Daniel Edber, Amber Carpenter

Absent: Jennifer Cannady, Shannon Dicus, Don English, Matthew Erickson, Julie Francis, Mark Hubbard, Rebecca Irwin, Dave McClave, Marisa Miley, Brittany Nail, Julie Peterson, Myrlene Pierre, Tracy Reece, Cynthia Wallace-Guerrero, Cathleen Farrar

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Welcome & Introductions	DCPO Kim Epps- Meeting called to order at 2:03 pm.	Introductions by attendees.
Review & Approve Minutes	Motion to approve Minutes from JJCC Meeting held on January 25, 2022.	1 st Motion – Scott Wyatt 2 nd Motion- Melanie Carrion
JJCPA (AB1913) Budget Review	Thomas Kamara- I would like to apologize for sending a draft budget late. This is because the numbers are still being updated as well as cost estimates. What we have sent is fairly close the final budget that will be finalized. I'd like to highlight the main points of this budget. In the last meeting it was requested to bring forward proposals for the upcoming budget and those have been incorporated in this budget. However, there has been a last minute proposal from the DA's office that has also been included in this budget. The proposal is for additional cost for approximately \$1.47 million ongoing cost and an additional \$31,500 in one time monies to fund an additional six (6) positions including four (4) Deputy Attorney's. It is a balanced budget utilizing \$500 thousand reserves funds. If you recall from the last meeting we reported about \$15 million dollars in reserves. We got revenue estimates from the state for about \$10.6 million, this is base allocation plus growth. We have appropriated all of these revenues plus a \$250 thousand projected interest. This then totals \$11.1 million in total requirements to balance the budget. There are no new positions added, it still remains at 28 School Probation Officers. We have also allocated out program expenditures for possible events that can occur throughout the year. What the budget does not include in terms of revenue is the charge that we typically assess to the schools as their contribution for the School Probation Officers. In previous years, they have contribute 25 percent. This year that would amount to about \$1 million dollars. This is one of the items that we were hoping to make a decision on today.	

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	Kimberly Epps- What we would like to do is add this on the budget. First we would hear about the expansion of the L.E.T Program, and then have further discussion if we would like to bill the schools for the School Probation Officers. We wanted to allow everyone to hear about the budget first.	
A. School Probation Program Fee	Kimberly Epps- There was a question brought forward about the School Probation Officers and the Probation Department. I think a lot of things come across as there is an ownership of each of the programs. As an example, we made a vote on approving a position for County Schools for ROP programs from part time to full time. The vote paid the additional 50 percent. Now this doesn't necessarily mean the County School's ownership and facilitator. It allows the JJCC under the law which belongs to all of us. We have now put it into our state plan. Putting into perspective for the School Probation Program fee, when we decide not to bill the schools for the Probation Officers it is not a request to specifically get the funding. It is for the JJCC to say this is an approved program under our plan. Does the JJCC now want to bill the schools, because for the last two (2) years we have not billed the schools. The reason for not billing the schools is because we wanted to bring forward these programs through the JJCC through our reserves. This year the request is do we still want to not bill the schools which is an approximate \$950,000 yearly. Going forward as we come in with our new Bylaws and have different discussions we have to consider what we have approved in our JJCC plan. Does anyone have any thoughts, questions, or concerns?	School Probation Program
	Scott Wyatt- Knowing that I cannot vote on this item, but I can definitely talk about it, I'd like to do so. I would like to thank the JJCC for allowing this to be a part of their plan. We have had a lot of one time funding which we are grateful for. We want to continue utilizing Probation Officers in our schools. As a matter of fact we have a charter school requesting additional Probation Officers. They did not know about the opportunities of having an officer on school grounds. I always am in support for Probation Officers.	
	Kimberly Epps- Additionally, Jennifer Cannady raised a question about going forward if the JJCC wanted a formalized process for those requests of renewals to be made, as well as reports to be given. At this time there are 13 school contracts. Chino School District has two (2) probation officers but 34 schools that they service. Ideally each school can compile information either virtual or in person. Possibly a	District Attorney's Proposal

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	school administrator can come in and talk about the benefits they have seen with having a School Probation Officer present. Kathleen Huaman- There is no quorum today present to vote on the School	
8. Request for B1913 Funding for .E.T. Program Expansion	 Probation Program fee. Scott Wyatt had to abstain. Claudia Walker- We appreciate the opportunity to make this presentation. The numbers Thomas Kamara presented are correct. In our current L.E.T. Program we have three (3) attorneys. Two (2) attorneys cover Chino, through San Bernardino, and all the way to Morongo. We have one (1) attorney that covers all schools in the High Desert. There is a lot of territory to cover. This covers about 450 thousand students, although not all students are truant it is a grand amount to cover. We would 	
	like to propose to bring back our expanded L.E.T. Program. This signifies we are requesting four (4) attorneys to be able to split the school districts to cover all the areas desired. We also would like to ask for administrative support staff. The administrative support staff includes two (2) secretaries and one (1) office assistant. Our current L.E.T. Program is about \$1,000,051 with additional staff \$1,438,000 most of this would be on going funding. The one time portion would be for a vehicle. If there are any questions about this proposal I can now answer those questions.	
	Melanie Carrion- I have a question as to when the L.E.T. Program Expansion ended, was this before COVID? It sounds like a great idea to put back into place.	
	Claudia Walker- Yes, this ended at the end of the Fiscal year 19-20.	
	Kimberly Epps- Probation has talked through JJCC as a group but also the County Wide Gangs and Drugs Task Force. Recently the County Superintendent of Schools did an update meeting where I was able to attend and there was a discussion about the needs of students. There has been a lot research that has emerged about the emotional needs of students who have not been able to be in school. These needs are not only involving the attendance of the students but also includes the family engagement piece, the support piece, and the counseling piece. Given the impact of COVID for families and students, we support this expansion. If there any other questions and concerns this would be the time.	
	Kimberly Epps- Motion to move forward to voting on the L.E.T. Program Expansion	1 st Motion- Melanie Carrion 2 nd Motion- Chief Catren

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Voting	Kimberly Epps- It has been moved and seconded that we vote on the L.E.T. Program Expansion	L.E.T. Program Expansion Proposal - Approved	
	Proposal Expansion of L.E.T. Program: Received a yes from the following agencies: Behavioral Health - Amber Carpenter Community Based Drug and Alcohol Program - Melanie Carrion Police Department - Chris Catren Probation Department – Kimberly Epps County Schools/School District – Wyatt District Attorney- Claudia Walker and Anne Marie Pierce-Abstained from Voting Kimberly Epps- Motion to move forward to voting on the Budget Kimberly Epps- It has been moved and seconded that we vote on the Budget Review and Approval of the Budget with agreement that it may be modified during 1 st quarter budget revisions if JJCC wants to approve billing the School Probation Program Fee: Received a yes from the following agencies: Behavioral Health - Amber Carpenter Community Based Drug and Alcohol Program - Melanie Carrion	1 st Motion- Claudia Walker 2 nd Motion- Melanie Carrion	
	Police Department - Chris Catren Probation Department – Kimberly Epps County Schools/School District – Wyatt - Abstained from voting District Attorney- Claudia Walker/ Anne Marie Pierce		
Review / Approval of the Annual Plan (Tabled)	Kathleen Huaman- The Annual Plan is written and is currently with our Chief. We will present it on April 26 th for a vote. It is vital that we are all present because it needs to be sent to the state by May 1 st .		
Roundtable	Kimberly Epps- We do not have an item on this, however we will when we look closer at the plan. This is included in the minutes so it can be on the group's radar. There has been some discussion with Inland Regional Center about our system involved youth. There has been an issue where we experience difficulty in retrieving information on system involved youth that may have had an earlier open	Inland Regional Center Information	

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	Inland Regional case. There used to be forensic coordinator who reported when there was a system involved case, between dependencies, or perhaps headed down the path to become a system involved youth. One person dealt with those cases previously and staffed those specific cases. We reach out to Inland Regional Center because there are so many people that have those cases and they don't have a centralized point of contact for system involved youth that can triage the information request. It took us three (3) months to find out that a youth had been referred when they were two (2) years old. I suggested as a point of neutrality is considering a contract through the Public Defender's office to have an Inland Regional Center Liaison. We are not prepared to have this become a voting item at this moment, but we would like this idea to start to be considered. We have reached out preliminary to the PD's office where they were open to have a contract with Inland Regional Center. The reason Probation will not take on this contract is due to youth not only being system involved but CFS children can be included.	
Public Comments	Indicated all meetings of the JJCC are subject to the Brown Act. The meeting notice and agenda was posted publicly. There were no public comments at the meeting.	
Next Meeting	Meeting Adjourned at 2:43 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2022. Updated 5/9/22 mm	