

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

Minutes for Wednesday July 21, 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
Dana Smith-Lacy, DCPO
Eric Raley, Division Director II
Judge Tony Raphael, 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 2:11 p.m.
Motion to approve April 20, 2022 meeting minutes, as written, all in favor
Motion by James Tillman and seconded by Julie Francis

Roll Call - Attendance Roster on File

Absent/Excused: Tracy Reece, Anabel Romero, Jeany Zepeda, Judge Charles Umeda, Kristie Armistead, Sandy Bonilla

Guest(s): Diva Chan (Courts), James Tillman (IE Rebound)

Probation Update

- Currently working on a design for signage for ARISE facility to replace the outside HDJDAC sign. We are also discussing changing the unit names so it doesn't sound like they are in a detention center

CFS Update

None

Court Update

None

Program Update

- Pine Grove – Working on a contract with the state, we are proposing we have 10 beds. Prior to DJJ closing they were a program that gave high school education and trained to be forest fire fighters. Effective next year, Pine Grove is being taken over by CDCR. The new criteria is age requirement of 18, you now have to have a HS diploma or GED, at least 6 months up to 72 months left on their commitment and a mental health and physical screening. The goal is to train them to be fire fighters, they can then transition from this program to Community Supervision or California Conservation Corp
- Riverside County has an MOU to go before there board on August 2nd, there is no financial component to it, but should we need to use each other to transfer youth to a different county for whatever reason, we will have bed space as an option. Ex.:
 - Safety (co-parts need to be separated)
 - Low female population
 - Assault on staff
- We continue to have tours by the District Attorney's, Public Defenders and Judges, but we also have had tours by the State (OYCR) and multiple counties. OYCR is so impressed they are now considering our department as the state model and using us as an example for other counties
- We were asked to be a part of a panel at the upcoming CPPCA conference on September 6th, this will be an opportunity to discuss our program and give the other counties opportunities to ask questions
- We've been able to bring in college and vocational training that will help shape our youths future when they transition out. As of today we already have 13 youth in college classes, and by next month it will be 19 which is a majority of the facility with an average GPA of 3.7. We have 3 different colleges and a 4th in place to obtain their Bachelor's Degree
 - Victor Valley physically comes on campus for college and vocational education
 - Mission and Coastline are completed virtually
 - Coastline offers dual enrollment (youth in high school and college at the same time)
 - All colleges provide counselors
- JJRBG follow up, next plan will be due May 2023. Come the end of this calendar year, we will need to start early or have more meetings after the end of this year in order to update our plan. This will also have to go before the BOS before it goes to state
 - Discussion on the plan to keep youth in juvenile system Julie Peterson reached out with preliminary numbers for the previous years:
 - 2019 – 11 youth sent to adult court and 32 remained in juvenile court
 - 2020 – 6 youth sent to adult court and 29 remained in juvenile court
 - 2021 – 13 youth sent to adult court and 47 remained in juvenile court
 - Totals – 30 adult and 108 juvenile (about 30%)
 - This is an opportunity to articulate when reporting to the state, that we already have low numbers and the reality is we will not be able to get it to zero

Discussion of Phase II

- Voting to rename Phase II, we solicited youth at ARISE and staff (handouts provided for voting)
 - Group voted on SOAR (12 votes)
- Discussion on ideas for SOAR, it is their step down, and they will be in a non-secured place. They can lock doors and leave when they want to (just like if they were at home). This is a place for them to come home to and sleep. The length of stay is determined by court
- Ideas for SOAR programming
 - We want to offer services to them when they first arrive, they need an opportunity to get a job or go to school
 - We are hoping to set them up with mentors, to help them succeed as young adults
 - Teach them how to use transportation (Bus pass, Uber, Lyft)
 - Offer individual and family therapy to help them work on communication
 - Teach them how to budget – normal living cost, restitution and parent-hood. We can assist with cost in the beginning but teach them how support themselves
 - Possible RFP for housing in case they are out of time and have no family to return to, or if they are not ready to transition home. We also do not want them going into the housing for our homeless population, so we are creating a separate RFP

Roundtable

- Jennifer Cannady to look into a committee to address law changes (ex. AB200 clean up verbiage)
- Thank you and congratulations Julie!!

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by Julie Francis at 3:25 p.m.

The next JJCC Executive Subcommittee meeting will be held on

October 20, 2022

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ACPO Francis Submission:



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PCO J. Melendez Submission:



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