



JOINT MEETING JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION



Carole D'Elia
Chair

SUMMARY OF MINUTES

February 17, 2016

PRESENT: Carole D'Elia, Daniel Okada, Frederick Mills, Dennis Dulay, Gwen Jackson-Tucker, Virginia Maulfair, Steve Streeter, Hillary Gaines, Rachel Rios, Stephanie Nguyen, Judge Boulware Eurie, Chief Seale, Leslie Burgett, Robin Claren

ABSENT: Jane Claar, Meer Lihony

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** A quorum was present, and the meeting was convened at 10:10 a.m. Commissioner Carole D'Elia welcomed participants.
 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER MEETING:** Commissioner Steve Streeter motioned to approve the January minutes; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis Dulay and unanimously approved.
 3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Judge Boulware Eurie received the Judicial Officer of the Year Award for her dedication and commitment to addressing Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC). This award is a single award bestowed by all Probation Chiefs statewide and it is quite an honor to be recognized by all Probation Departments.

Commissioner D'Elia asked if the Commission wanted to move forward with establishing a networking session with surrounding counties. Consensus was to incorporate networking at the Sept. 22nd CPPCA's Annual Training Conference. Commissioner D'Elia agreed to contact the other counties that expressed interest in meeting and inform them of the decision.

Upcoming Events:

- An Adolescent Brain Development Summit will be held on April 29th and all Commissioners are invited to attend. A flyer will be sent out in the near future. There will be three speakers on Brain Development.
 - Ronald E. Dahl, M.D. from UC Berkeley
 - Elizabeth Cauffman, Professor of Psychology & Social Behavior, Education and Law Ph.D. Temple University
 - Frank Kros of the Upside Down Organization.

Chief Seale reported that the Summit dovetails with goals that Probation is trying to achieve and focuses on the challenges youth face. Chief Seale stated that evolving brain science is looking at what can be done differently and better. System partners will be invited to attend.

Chief Seale stated that Elizabeth Cauffman has compelling data out of Orange County and was part of a project funded by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), a Pathways Project, to look at long term outcomes for juveniles that show desistance from crime. Judge Boulware Eurie stated that Elizabeth Cauffman is very compelling and knows how to speak to groups to assist them in understanding how the brain works and provides educational opportunities to new judges. Judge Boulware Eurie reported that Elizabeth Cauffman is based in Irvine and does a lot of work with juvenile courts.

Chief Seale stated that there is a lot of movement towards looking at young people who are age 21 and 22 and question what their adult status should be. Chief Seale reported that brain science is revealing that many youth on probation are adults legally, but their brains may not be fully developed until their mid-20's.

- La Familia will be holding an Open House in the near future. Commissioner Rachel Rios will notify the Commission once a date has been set.
- Fairytale Town will be holding a Pop-Up Adventure Play Day on Feb. 27th. It is open to the public. *(The Pop-Up Adventure Playground is based on the concept of Adventure Playgrounds in Europe. After World War II, landscape and playgroup architects noticed that children spent more time playing in the war rubble than they did in a structured playground. They observed that children were more engaged in play in spaces they created themselves and thought that these non-traditional environments inspired imaginative, collaborate and thoughtful play ~ Fairytale Town Website).*
- Maple Neighborhood Center is now open for services.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

5. **COMMENTS FROM THE COURT:** Judge Boulware Eurie informed the Commission that the Crossover Youth Practice Model (CYPM) continues to evolve. Judge Boulware Eurie stated that the CYPM Workgroup will be reaching out to stakeholders regarding protocols, which will help ensure that we are being mindful of dependency youth (*who have been abused, neglected, and/or abandoned pursuant to Section 300 of the Welfare and Institutions Code*) that make contact with the juvenile justice system. Many members of the CYPM Workgroup attended site visits and another one is anticipated. There is currently an audit of six counties – three are dual jurisdiction counties and three are not, which will assist in reviewing how everyone is working together and sharing data to have a better understanding and appreciation of the trauma that youth go through, and the impact that may have on their contact with the juvenile justice system. Protocols will be distributed to the individuals that have been involved in the process.

6. **COMMENTS FROM PROBATION:** Chief Seale distributed a handout, "Suggested platform items." Chief Seale suggested adopting a platform that can be both a guide and a set of talking points that taps into the strength of the Commission in a way that hasn't been done in the past. Probation is currently in their budget setting process and will go before the Board of Supervisors in the summer to advocate and request support for their priorities. There is a role for the Commission to participate in that function and he invited members to consider making their voices and priorities heard. Chief Seale stated that the "Suggested platform items" is in draft form only and he would present them with a more technical version if the Commission decides to move forward.

Chief Seale stated that Probation reviews their platform periodically and updates it to ensure that they include their latest goals. Chief Seale urged the Commission to do the same, as the platform can continually be updated to speak to the developments that are occurring.

The budget hearing dates are June 14th – June 16th. Chief Seale will be seeking further funding in youth programs; in particular, the goals that are outlined on the Suggested Platform Items document. Chief Seale felt it would be advantageous for members of the commission to speak publically on its priorities and support of the Probation Dept. and other systems supporting youth when their priorities intersect. Commissioner Fredrick Mills stated that in the past, Commissioners have sat down with each Board of Supervisor that represents the areas in which they reside to discuss what the Commission is doing and what their future goals are. Commissioner Rios stated that other groups are testifying and it may be advantageous to have Probation work with other youth advocate groups so they understand Probation's position as well. Commissioner Rios stated that it would be a great opportunity for Chief Seale to meet with the youth engagement team where the focus is also on prevention and intervention.

Commissioner Mills stated that he recently reviewed the Commission's brochure and also pulled together a list of what other statewide commissions have done and are currently doing. Commissioner Mills stated that the next steps are to revise their brochure and take information that they have compiled (including the platform information Chief Seale presented) and develop a draft plan to be presented to the group for input. Commissioner Mills agreed to be the lead on the plan development and anticipated having a draft at the April meeting.

7. **YOUTH DETENTION FACILITY POPULATION REPORT:** The Daily Population Report dated 02/16/2016 was distributed. Additional information was requested regarding the type of crimes being committed, as well as staff ratios. Chief Seale stated that he just received Probation's "Draft" Annual Report and will develop and provide the Commission with a summary. The summary will include caseload size, staff ratio, and will also provide information regarding specialized caseloads.

Commissioner Hillary Gaines expressed concern with juveniles falling through the cracks as it relates to assistance with housing. It was clarified that if a juvenile is eligible for Extended Foster Care (AB12) then housing is addressed. If a juvenile is not eligible, then Probation can assist with rehabilitation, career counseling, etc. but they are not able to assist them with housing. Commissioner Gaines felt that the lack of housing assistance may deter youth from being successful in the community and eventually lead to re-entry into the justice system as adults.

8. **COUNTY COUNSEL RECOMMENDATION ON BROWN ACT (RICK HEYER):** Rick Heyer was not available to attend the meeting. Commissioner Gaines will work on completing a guide that will outline which topics are considered JJC only topics and which topics are considered joint topics. Once completed, she will present it to Rick Heyer for approval prior to presenting it to the Commission.

9. **MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING UPDATE:** No Report.

10. **TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE WORKGROUP UPDATE:** No Report.

11. **WORKGROUP UPDATES:**

a. Youth Involved in Juvenile Justice System: No Report

b. Detention & Re-Entry: No Report.

c. Commission Visibility: No Report.

d. Education: No Report.

e. Pre-Involvement in Juvenile Justice System: No Report.

12. **COMMUNITY PROGRAMS INFORMATIONAL UPDATES:**

a. AB922: No Report

b. Children's Coalition: No Report

c. CPPCA: The date of the CPPCA Annual Training Conference is Sept. 22nd. Robin Claren will coordinate registration and payment with the Court.

d. Juv. Institutions, Program & Court Committee (JIPCC): No Report

e. Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED): No Report.

13. **AGENDA BUILDING FOR NEXT MEETING:**

- Update on Platform/Draft Plan (Commissioner Mills)
- Probation Annual Report Summary(tentative pending approval from Chief Seale)

A Sonoma County letter regarding foster care was sent out to Commissioners prior to meeting. The letter was FYI only. No action was taken.

Chief Seale questioned if there was a need for so many workgroups. Chief Seale stated that it may be more beneficial to determine what the priorities are and only choose one or two areas to focus on annually. Additional discussion was held with consensus being to leave the workgroups on the Agenda,

however elevate the platform and re-entry items, and only report on workgroup items as issues/reports arise.

MEETING ADJOURN:

Commissioner Virginia Maulfair moved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:37 a.m. Commissioner Gwen Jackson-Tucker seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Claren, Judicial Secretary III

NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, March 15, 2016 – 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**
Juvenile Courthouse – Walter Barkdull Conference Room #391
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