

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday, June 3, 2015
9:00 a.m.**

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND COMMENTS**
 - **JUVENILE COURT**
 - **DISTRICT ATTORNEY**
 - **PUBLIC DEFENDER (DELINQUENCY UNIT)**
 - **PUBLIC DEFENDER (DEPENDENCY UNIT)**
 - **COUNTY COUNSEL**
 - **PROBATION DEPARTMENT**
 - **SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY**
 - **HEALTH CARE AGENCY, CHILDREN & YOUTH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**
 - **HEALTH CARE AGENCY, JUVENILE HEALTH SERVICES**
 - **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, INSTITUTIONAL SCHOOLS**
 - **STATE OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING**
 - **CHIEFS OF POLICE DEPARTMENTS**
 - **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**
 - **REGIONAL CENTER OF ORANGE COUNTY**
 - **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 5. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE**
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 7. OLD BUSINESS**
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
- 9. LIAISON ACTIVITIES**
- 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 11. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- 13. ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
June 3, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chair Boortz. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner de Mayo. The meeting was held at the Betty Lou Lamoreaux Juvenile Justice Center, 341 The City Drive, Orange, California, in the second floor Commission Conference Room.

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT: Patricia Boortz, Chair
Benjamin de Mayo, Vice Chair
Cheryl Hart
Susan Leibel
Steve Livingston
Max Madrid
Rick Martinez

Susan Mays
Eula Nelson
James Riley
Michael Schumacher
Connor Traut
Judy Zorrilla

ABSENT: Kathleen Nordin

STAFF: Beverly MacLaren, Administrative Officer
Arasha Alcaraz, Office Specialist

GUESTS: Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, Juvenile Court
Carol Henson, Senior Deputy, District Attorney
Jana Hoffman, Senior Deputy, District Attorney
Tracy LeSage, Deputy Public Defender
Laura Jose, Assistant Public Defender, Dependency Unit
Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, Juvenile Dependency, County Counsel
Gary Taylor, Division Director, Children & Family Services, SSA
Denise Churchill, Program Manager II, Orangewood Children & Family Center, SSA
Marcy Garfias, Division Manager, Children & Youth Services, HCA
Stacey Northcutt, Program Manager, Juvenile Health Services, HCA
Jordann Nelson, Licensing Evaluator, California Community Care Licensing
Marilyn MacDougall, Executive Director, Drug Use is Life Abuse, OCSD
Hether Benjamin, LMFT, Community Service Programs, Director of Youth Development
Bob Theemling, Chief Program Officer, Orangewood Children's Foundation
Martha Madrid, Associate Director, Orange County Bar Foundation
Bonnie Miller, Assistant Program Manager, New Alternatives, Inc.
Veronica Khajavi, Member of the Public
Alex Rounaghi, Member of the Public

COMMENTS BY JUVENILE COURT

Chair Boortz read the written report submitted by Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, to the Commission. The report included the following information: No new date has been set for the Odyssey conversion. A kiosk demonstration will be held for stakeholders on June 17th in Department L-21. The Judicial Council is currently reviewing certain juvenile records to ensure compliance with Title IV-E and related sections of Title VI-B of the Social Security Act. The Judicial Council has published proposed changes to the state funding allocation of court-appointed dependency counsel. The recommended funding methodology would result in severe funding reductions in a four year period.

COMMENTS BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Carol Henson, Senior Deputy, introduced herself to the Juvenile Justice Commission. The District Attorney's office is currently in the process of training five new lawyers. Senior lawyers are staffed to take on the more serious caseloads. Jana Hoffman, Senior Deputy, stated trainings are a consistent theme for the new District Attorneys. A discussion ensued regarding attorneys remaining assigned to the Juvenile Court for a significant period of time.

COMMENTS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, announced Meldie Moore will be providing a training to the attorneys on how to effectively advocate for dependent or delinquent youth who have been expelled from school. Further information will be provided to the Juvenile Justice Commission.

COMMENTS BY SOCIAL SERVICES

Gary Taylor, Division Director, provided details of the discussion at the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) meeting. The deadline for the Social Services Agency to submit a protocol and plan is June 30, 2015. A draft will be shared with the attendees before the final submission. Mr. Taylor reviewed AB 403, which has 19 recommendations. Language has not been inserted into AB 403 to convert shelters/group homes into temporary shelters as a compromise. Residential schools are not in the Bill, nor language for the shelters. Community Care Licensing will need time to draft new regulations.

Denise Churchill, Program Manager II, reported the current population at the Orangewood Children and Family Center (OCFC) is 60 children. Finding placements for the nine sibling sets currently at the facility continues to be a challenge. The dining hall doors at OCFC have been replaced and should help reduce the number of runaways from the facility.

The second cycle of the "My Life, My Choice" 10-week program has begun. Los Angeles has a similar program that consists of a 6-week model.

COMMENTS BY PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE

Laura Jose, Assistant Public Defender, reported the Public Defenders attended the training conducted by Meldie Moore regarding "Individual Education Plans." They also attended the "Implicit Bias" training and participated in the Steering Committee to create an interagency CSEC protocol. Ms. Jose hosted a meeting with the Mexican Consulate, County Counsel, and conflict panel attorneys to discuss issues regarding dual citizenship.

COMMENTS BY HEALTH CARE AGENCY, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

Marcy Garfias, Division Manager, provided details regarding the Huntington Beach Children's Shelter residential beds. The Health Care Agency has contracted four additional beds at the shelter. The four beds will provide services for youth who meet the criteria for mental health needs. CHOC provided a media presentation on a new inpatient psychiatric unit for children ranging in age from birth to 18 years old. It is projected by the year 2017 there will 18 inpatient psychiatric beds at CHOC.

Stacey Northcutt, Program Manager, reported the population at Juvenile Hall is 155 today. Ms. Northcutt outlined some of the issues addressed by the medical unit staff on a regular basis. Many of these youth have significant health issues requiring monitoring by staff.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Orange County Sheriff's Department

Marilyn MacDougall, Executive Director, reported there will be a Marijuana Summit on June 5, 2015 at the Rescue Mission. So far 360 people have signed up to attend and there are 40 on the waiting list. There will also be a panel presentation on June 4, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at the Rescue Mission. Dr. Kevin Sabet will be the guest speaker. He is a national expert on marijuana.

CSP Community Services Programs

Hether Benjamin, Director of Youth Development, reported the Gang Reduction Intervention Partnership (GRIP) program hosted an event on June 1, 2015 at the Angel Stadium. The 1,900 at-risk youth were rewarded for improving their school attendance and grade point average (GPA), having no suspensions, decreasing class disruptions and trancies. The students arrived early to watch the team warm up and were greeted by a player from the Angels.

Orangewood Children's Foundation

Bob Theemling, Chief Program Officer, announced the Orangewood Children's Foundation transitional housing program "Rising Tide" is planning to expand housing for CSEC girls over the age of 18. The Academy has received the CAHSEE scores for the sophomores. There was a 94% pass rate in English and 99% pass rate in Math. The Academy is preparing for the new 130 freshmen students that will begin school in the fall. Mr. Theemling announced the Independent Living Program (ILP) graduation will be on June 11, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at Orange Coast College.

Orange County Bar Foundation

Martha Madrid, Associate Director, stated the Orange County Bar Foundation Higher Education Mentoring program graduation was a success. Of the graduates, 23 will be attending college and have been provided with school supplies and items for the dormitories. A new program will begin in July for the prevention of teen pregnancy and HIV.

New Alternatives, Inc.

Bonnie Miller, Assistant Program Manager, reported the current population at New Alternatives is 19 youth. New Alternatives will be having an Open House on June 4, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Tustin Family Campus.

Veronica Khajavi, Member of the Public, introduced herself to the Commission. Ms. Khajavi volunteers for a human trafficking outreach program.

Alex Rounaghi, Member of the Public, introduced himself to the Commission. He is currently a junior at Laguna Beach High School and is interested becoming a Youth Commissioner.

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence was reviewed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the meeting held May 20, 2015, as written.

MSC Commissioners Traut/Mays to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2015 meeting, as written.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioners Boortz and Nordin attended the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) meeting on May 27, 2015. The Juvenile Justice Commission has been asked to send a Letter of Intent to support in the development of a plan for CSEC children. **MSC Commissioners de Mayo/Hart to approve the signing of the Letter of Intent by Chair Boortz, as written.**

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Mays reported the results of the inspection of the Cypress Police Department on May 22, 2015. Commissioner Leibel was also present at the inspection. The Cypress Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioner Leibel reported the results of the inspection of the Los Alamitos Police Department on May 22, 2015. Commissioner Mays was also present at the inspection. The Los Alamitos Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioner Mays reported the results of the inspection of the Garden Grove Police Department on May 22, 2015. Commissioner Leibel was also present at the inspection. The Garden Grove Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

LIAISON ACTIVITIES

Commissioner Leibel attended the Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) meeting on May 21, 2015. At the meeting, a discussion was held regarding the plan for a new 18-bed psychiatric unit for children at CHOC Hospital, AB 403, and CSEC. A discussion was also held regarding outreach/prevention through the RAISE foundation to educate the next generation regarding Safe Surrender and Kaitlyn's Law.

Commissioner Leibel attended the CAST Operations meeting on May 26, 2015. At the meeting, a discussion was held regarding a proposal to be submitted to CHOC and UCI. The proposal intends to collaborate and have CHOC and UCI both be providers for medical purposes with the intent of strengthening CAST's medical component.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Social Services/Group Homes

The Social Services/Group Home Committee has revised the Group Home inspection form. The form was reviewed for training purposes.

Probation

The Probation Committee reviewed the 4th Quarter Report of 2014 and will be scheduling a committee meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Mays plans to attend the Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership meeting on June 4, 2015.

Commissioner Zorrilla plans to attend the Youth Marijuana Summit on June 4, 2015.

Commissioner Zorrilla plans to attend the Trauma Informed Practice Committee (TIPS-C) meeting on June 10, 2015.

Commissioners Livingston and Nelson plan to attend the Independent Living Program (ILP) Graduation for the Orangewood Foundation on June 11, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at Orange Coast College.

Commissioners Leibel and Riley plan to attend the Sunburst Youth Challenge Academy graduation on June 13, 2015 at 9:45 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION

The regular session was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was convened from 11:10 a.m. until 11:17 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m. The members of various JJC committees remained and held separate committee meetings after the formal adjournment.

Patricia Boortz

Patricia Boortz, Chair