

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday, April 20, 2016
9:00 a.m.**

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. GUEST SPEAKERS – Kristine Nelson, M.A.
Orange Unified School District Connections Program**
- 4. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 6. OLD BUSINESS**
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
- 8. LIAISON ACTIVITIES**
- 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 10. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION**
- 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- 13. ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
April 20, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chair de Mayo. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Crowley. 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
Amy Crowley
Benjamin de Mayo, Chair
Cheryl Hart, Vice Chair
Rick Martinez
Eula Nelson
Kathleen Nordin
Jim Riley
Carlos Zelaya
Judy Zorrilla

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: Susan Leibel
Alex Rounaghi
Jan Sturla

STAFF: Beverly MacLaren, Administrative Officer
Hilary Kim, Legal Processing Specialist

GUESTS: Kristine Nelson, Coordinator, Foster Youth, McKinney-Vento & At Risk Youth, Orange Unified School District (OUSD)
Rachele Dale, Administrator, Special Education, OUSD
Betsy DeGarmoe, Manager, Foster Youth Services, OCDE

GUEST SPEAKER

Kristine Nelson, Coordinator, provided an overview of the OUSD Connection Program for foster youth and homeless youth. In 2013, Governor Brown introduced the Local Control Funding Formula. The Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) was created for English language learners, foster youth, and low income students. All three groups of students receive a base grant. The students may receive a supplemental grant or a concentration grant based on need.

The Orange Unified School District developed a four-year plan for the foster youth program in 2015 and projects completion by 2018. Ms. Nelson meets with each foster child individually to personalize their experience at the school. Foster youth are paired with a teacher/mentor that will help the child connect with resources at the school they are attending. The mentor acts as a liaison between the student and the school to ensure the student can easily access school resources, such as tutoring and after-school activities. The Naviance program provides students in grades six to twelve an online account to access transcripts, letters of recommendations, SAT scores, etc. The district is planning field trips to community colleges for foster and homeless youth. For homeless youth, the district provides a list of shelters and food banks to parents. There is ongoing staff development to better identify homeless students.

The OUSD collaborates with: Saddleback College to teach foster parents how to better assist foster youth; Friendly Center works with families to offer free tutoring and counseling, and access to a food bank; Assistance League provides donated clothing to students; and California Youth Services provides Juvenile Alcohol and Drug Education (JADE), legal awareness classes, and crisis counseling intervention classes. The Chair thanked Ms. Nelson for her very informative presentation.

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the meeting held April 6, 2016, as written. **MSC Commissioners Martinez/Zorrilla to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2016 meeting, as written.**

OLD BUSINESS

Thinking for a Change (T4C) Program

“Thinking for a Change” is an evidence-based approach to changing behavior through cognitive restructuring, social skills development, and problem solving. Commissioner Zelaya discussed the effectiveness of the Thinking for a Change program for juveniles. The Probation Department will be asked to provide further information.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner de Mayo reported the results of the inspection of the Orange Police Department on April 6, 2016. Commissioner Leibel was also present at the inspection. The Orange Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioner de Mayo reported the results of the inspection of the Tustin Police Department on April 6, 2016. Commissioner Leibel was also present at the inspection. The Tustin Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioner Martinez reported the results of the inspection of the Cypress Police Department on April 14, 2016. Commissioners de Mayo and Riley were 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 Martinez reported the results of the inspection of the Garden Grove Police Department. Commissioners de Mayo and Riley were 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. The Garden Grove Police Department conducts “Virtual Parties” where youth show parents what can happen at teen parties.

Commissioners Crowley and Nelson attended the cross-training for teen diabetes held on March 18, 2016. Dr. Mark Daniels, Endocrinologist at CHOC Hospital, discussed the importance of taking care of children with diabetes. CHOC reported 12 cases last year to Child

Protective Services (CPS) related to diabetes. Ketoacidosis is a serious condition associated with type 1 and rarely type 2 diabetes. It is a sign of insufficient insulin or very high blood glucose levels and can lead to death.

LIAISON ACTIVITIES

Eliminating Racial Disproportionality and Disparity (ERDD)

Commissioners Crowley, Nelson, and Zorrilla attended the ERDD meeting on April 13, 2016. Dr. Erick Witherspoon, Professor at Redlands University, conducted an exercise to teach the participants how to eliminate cultural bias. Participants worked in pairs. Each pair answered a series of questions. Each participant made assumptions about the person they were paired with regarding the other participant's ethnic background and religious beliefs based on their answers to the questions. It provided the participants insight into how easy it is to form a cultural bias.

Trauma Informed Practices Steering Committee (TIPS-C)

Commissioner Zorrilla attended the TIPS-C meeting held on April 13, 2016. TIPS-C is ending their partnership with Chadwick Center for Children and Families. The focus has now shifted to planning a closing event.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislation

The Sonoma County JJC is working to change the wording from "group homes" to "Short Term Residential Treatment Centers (STRTC)" on upcoming legislation. This will give the Juvenile Justice Commissions throughout the state the authority to conduct inspections of the STRTCs.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Leibel is planning to attend the Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) on April 21, 2016.

Commissioners Hart, Martinez, and Zorrilla are planning to attend the PAW graduation ceremony on April 22, 2016.

Commissioners Boortz and Nordin are planning to attend the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Steering Committee meeting on April 27, 2016.

Commissioners Crowley and Nelson are planning to attend the Resource Family Approval (RFA)/Recruitment, Training, Support (RTS) meeting on April 28, 2016.

Commissioner Nelson plans to attend the Independent City event on April 30, 2016.

Commissioner Nordin is planning to attend the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Steering Committee meeting on May 2, 2016.

Commissioners Nelson and Riley are planning to attend the Rio Contiguo graduation ceremony on May 6, 2016.

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Commissioners Martinez and Riley are planning to attend the Sunburst Youth Challenge Academy graduation ceremony on June 11, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION

The regular session was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was convened from 10:49 a.m. until 11:38 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Benjamin de Mayo

Benjamin de Mayo, Chair