

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday July 17, 2024
9:00 a.m.**

AGENDA

- 1) CALL TO ORDER**
- 2) GUESTS**
- 3) ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
- 4) REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES/WORKING GROUPS**
- 5) REPORTS FROM INSPECTIONS/REVIEWS**
- 6) REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS**
- 7) MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 8) COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**
- 9) ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
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The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Johnson. 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: Denise Churchill
Marcy Garfias
Judy Johnson, Chair
Silvestre Lopez
Connie Marshall
Wyatt McClean
Lynda Perring
Ryan Rising
Madelyn Rodriguez
Mary Lou Vachet (Teams)
Steve Winder, Vice Chair
Dolores Yost

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: Nicholas Moreno

STAFF: Lii Toelupe, Executive Administrative Assistant
Alma Aviles, Legal Processing Specialist

GUESTS: Steven Kim, Founder and Executive Director of Project Kinship
Madeline Rodriguez, Director of Programs
Raymond Sanchez, Director of Navigation and Culture
Jessica Vasquez, Youth Transformation Program, Program Manager

Guest speaker Steven Kim from Project Kinship gave a brief introduction. He shared with the Commission the Pillars of Success which included the following: restorative practices, re-entry support, wraparound services - CBT and SUD, and credible messengers. Other members of Project Kinship provided details of the programs they provide.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The July 3, 2024 revised minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

A. Education

Dennis Cole is the new Superintendent Liaison for ACCESS Schools. He was invited to attend the JJC education subcommittee's meeting with DOE on July 24, 2024.

B. Non-Institutional Placements

No updates to report.

C. Law Enforcement Agency

Law Enforcement Agencies inspections will conclude in the month of August.

D. Legislation

No updates to report.

E. Essay and Art Contest

Possible prompts for the essay contest are in discussion with members of the Juvenile Hall book club.

F. Annual Report

Executive Administrative Assistant (EAA) is working with Commissioner Perring on the annual report.

G. JJC/ Probation Book Club

Commissioner Lopez reported that the book club began reading "The Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins. He also mentioned that two new youth have joined the book club.

H. JJC Working Group re: substance use program/services

Twin Town Treatment Center tour is scheduled for today, July 17, 2024. Commissioner Johnson will attend the Juvenile Recovery Court (JRC) staff and observation on July 25, 2024. Executive Administrative Assistant (EAA) is currently coordinating a Phoenix House tour for the working group.

I. Away from Care

No update to report.

REPORTS FROM INSPECTIONS/REVIEWS

A. Law Enforcement Agency (LEA) Inspection Anaheim Police Department

Commissioners Lopez and Vachet visited Anaheim Police Department for an inspection on July 3, 2024. It was reported that the total number of juveniles detained in 2023 is 232. Two juveniles were detained for over six hours due to issues with their pick-up arrangements. There are 8 School Resource Officers (SROs) available for the high school and intermediate schools. No updates were reported on Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC). They continued to work with OC GRIP and Neutral Ground Programs.

B. Law Enforcement Agency (LEA) Inspection Santa Ana Police Department and Costa Mesa Police Department

Commissioners Lopez, Moreno, Rising, Rodriguez, and Vachet visited Santa Ana Police Department and Costa Mesa Police Department for an inspection on July 10, 2024. Santa Ana Police Department reported 100 youth were detained in a secured area and 17 non-secured. Their objective is to ensure timely release of the youth through every possible effort. Costa Mesa Police Department reported 5 youth detained in a secured area and 186 in non-secured. They participate and network at teacher conferences to better understand each other's role in keeping the youth safe at schools.

C. South Coast Children's Society - Caladium

Commissioners Garfias, Johnson, and Yost visited South Coast Children's Society Caladium for an inspection on July 10, 2024. Commissioner Johnson reported they met with two managers who were very friendly. The facility is for girls ranging from 12-15 years old and their average stay is about a year. She also reported the facility has a temporary release program that allows youth time away from the home and deters away from home situations.

REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS

Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB)

Commissioner Garfias attended the BHAB meeting on July 8, 2024. She reported that the advisory board elected Linda Smith as the new chair. She also mentioned health care agency would like to have monthly meetings to further evaluate the topic of mental health.

Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership (CWSIP)

Commissioners Churchill and Perring attended the CWSIP meeting on July 11, 2024. Topics of discussion included mental health and substance abuse acuity, family finding engagement, and voice and choice eliminating racial disproportionality and disparity. The focus of family finding subcommittee is to intensify efforts in locating significant family members connected to the child.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/WEBINARS/INSPECTIONS

Commissioners Johnson, Winder, and Yost are planning to attend the Twin Town Treatment Center tour on July 17, 2024.

Commissioner Johnson is planning to attend the Court Improvement Committee Juvenile Justice meeting on July 18, 2024.

Commissioners Johnson, Lopez, Rising, Vachet, Winder, and Yost are planning to attend the Educational Institution Inspection on July 23, 2024.

Commissioners Johnson, Lopez, Rising, Vachet, Winder, and Yost are planning to attend the monthly Education Subcommittee meeting with Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) Administrators on July 24, 2024.

Commissioner Johnson is planning to attend the Juvenile Recovery Court staffing and observation on July 25, 2024.

Commissioners Vachet, Winder, and Yost are planning to attend the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) meeting on July 25, 2024.

Commissioners Moreno, Vachet, and Yost are planning to attend the Law Enforcement Agency (LEA) inspection for Westminster and Huntington Beach Police Department on July 26, 2024.

Commissioners Churchill and Perring are planning to attend the Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership (CWSIP) meeting on August 1, 2024.

Commissioners Perring and Vachet are planning to attend the Juvenile Recovery Court Graduation on August 1, 2024.

Commissioners Johnson, Perring, and Winder are planning to attend the Summer at the Center VIP Concert on August 2, 2024.

Commissioners Johnson, Marshall, McClean, and Rising are planning to attend the Law Enforcement Agency (LEA) inspection for Laguna Beach Police Department and Aliso Viejo Sheriff Department on August 6, 2024.

Commissioner Vachet is planning to attend the Substance Use and Child Welfare Subcommittee Bi-Monthly meeting on August 6, 2024.

Commissioners Churchill, Garfias, Johnson, Moreno, and Rodriguez are planning to attend the Medical Institutions Inspections via teams with Grace Lizardo on August 8, 2024.

Commissioner Vachet is planning to attend the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) meeting on August 8, 2024.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

A. UCI Prison Education Program

Commissioner Johnson shared with the Commission how the UCI Prison Education Programs helps youth with higher education opportunities. She shared the article with the group. It was suggested that this topic be discussed among the Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) education subcommittee.

B. Parking Validation for Community Programs supporting Juvenile Hall

Commissioner Lopez informed the Commission about a new parking policy that will eliminate parking validations for community partners. Executive Administrative Assistant (EAA) will contact Priscilla Suzuki from Juvenile Hall to ask about this new procedure.

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CLOSED SESSION

The executive session was convened from 11:06 a.m. – 11:13 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Judy Johnson

Judy Johnson, Chair