



**JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, December 1, 2017  
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  
Santa Ynez Valley Marriott – Buellton, CA**

**Members in Attendance:**

Bernard Melekian for **Brown, William**, Sheriff  
Mag Nicola for **Dudley, Joyce**, District Attorney  
**Gleghorn, Alice** Ph.D., Director, Behavior Wellness  
Kendall Greene for **Hansen, Phil**, Chief, Santa Maria Police Department (SMPD)  
**Heitman, Tanja**, Acting Chief Probation Officer  
William Marazita for **Luhnow, Lori**, Chief, Santa Barbara Police Department (SBPD)  
S.E. Ballard for **Macuga, Tracy**, Public Defender PD)  
Brian Jaramillo for **McDonald, Trevor**, Lompoc Unified School District  
Amy Krueger for **Nielson, Daniel**, Director, Department of Social Services (DSS)  
Pete Flores for **Richardson, Mark**, Ed.D, Santa Maria Joint Union High School District (SMJUHD)  
**Sharkey, Jill**, Ph.D., Associate Teaching Professor, University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB)  
**Walsh, Pat**, Chief, Lompoc Police Department  
**Weaver, Edwin**, Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley  
**Wolf, Janet**, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor

**Members Absent/Unrepresented:**

**Adam, Peter**, 4<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor  
**Madson, Chuck**, Coast Valley Substance Abuse Treatment Center  
**Matsuoka, Cary**, Santa Barbara School District  
**Miyasato, Mona**, County Executive Officer (CEO)  
**Palera, Dominick**, Chair, Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Commission (JJDCPC)  
**Salcido, Susan**, Superintendent, Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO)

**Staff Present:**

Arroyo, Cesar, Community Action Commission (CAC)  
Biskner, Allyson, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)  
Brumbaugh, Kristina, Probation Department  
Cué, Ed, Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA)  
Czuleger, Jerry, County Counsel  
Fletcher, Damon, Probation Department  
Frandsen, Jill, CADA  
Hollis, Kathy, SBCEO  
Lewis, John, Behavioral Wellness  
Milligan, Karyn, Probation Department  
Nisich, Terri, County Executive Office  
Serrano, Saul, CAC  
Shean, Kim, Probation Department  
Stanley, Britt, CADA  
Stanley, Wendy, Probation Department  
Swanson, Brian, Probation Department  
Wood, Tracy Lang, CAC

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

## **Roll Call of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) Members**

### Present

S.E. Ballard  
Pete Flores (9:12)  
Alice Gleghorn  
Kendal Greene  
Tanja Heitman  
Brian Jaramillo  
Amy Krueger  
William Marazita  
Bernard Melekian  
Mag Nicola  
Jill Sharkey  
Pat Walsh  
Edwin Weaver  
Janet Wolf

### Absent

Peter Adam  
Chuck Madson  
Cary Matsuoka  
Mona Miyasato  
Dominick Palera  
Susan Salcido

### **Approval of Minutes from October 6, 2017 – All**

- A motion was made by Bernard Melekian seconded by Mag Nicola and approved by those present, to accept the October 6, 2017, meeting minutes as submitted.

### **Public Comment**

- Allyson Biskner from National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) introduced herself to the group and offered her assistance and support to the Council.

### **Chief Probation Officer Comments – Tanja Heitman**

- Chief Heitman advised she would be sworn in today at 3:30PM, in Santa Barbara Superior Court, Department 5, and welcomed any Council members to attend, if their schedule permitted.
- On Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> Kim Shean will begin serving as the Acting Deputy Chief Probation Officer (DCPO) over the Juvenile Division. There will be a recruitment opening in the near future to fill the three vacant DCPO positions.
- Beverly Taylor's last day assisting the Department is today. She will be returning to retirement.
- The Los Prietos Business Center will have a grand reopening on January 11<sup>th</sup> from 2-4PM. The flyer will be sent out to the Council.
- Chief Heitman thanked Edwin Weaver for his participation in the JJCC as this will be his last official meeting as a voting member.

### **1. Review of Nominations and Selection of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) Two – 2 Year Term Members – Tanja Heitman**

- The County Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC) have selected Chief Hansen from Santa Maria Police Department, Chief Luhnnow from the Santa Barbara Police Department, and Chief Walsh from the Lompoc Police Department to represent them on the Council.
- The school district representatives selected were Cary Matsuoka from the Santa Barbara School District, Trevor McDonald from the Lompoc Unified School District, and Mark Richardson from the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District.
- A motion was made by Supervisor Wolf and seconded by Dr. Gleghorn to affirm the members as selected by CLEC and the local school district coalition as indicated, all those present approved.
- There were two letters of interest submitted one from Jill Frandsen from CADA and one from Saul Serrano from CAC to fill the two two-year non-profit seats on the Council.

- A motion was made by Supervisor Wolf and seconded by Edwin Weaver to appoint Jill Frandsen and Saul Serrano as the representatives from a maximum of two separate non-profit community based agencies serving juveniles, all present approved.
- A motion was made by Supervisor Wolf and Dr. Gleghorn to select Dr. Jill Sharkey to fill the position of a researcher from a local college or university with knowledge and/or experience of the Juvenile Justice System. All present approved with Dr. Sharkey abstaining.
- Nominations for individuals to represent community-based drug and alcohol programs will be selected by a coalition of providers at the December 2017 treatment provider meeting and the nominated individuals will be presented for a vote at the February 2018 JJCC meeting.

## 2. **Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan (CMJJP) Update – Brian Swanson**

- Brian indicated that the CMJJP for next year will be an update of the current plan, with a few modifications. The School Based Officer (SBO) component of the plan has changed from the original plan and is no longer accurate. This component will be modified to reflect current supervision practices.
- The plan's existing focus areas will be reviewed and the results of the juvenile data mining project will be incorporated into it. Council members are encouraged to provide input as to areas to be reviewed.
- The current risk and needs assessment instrument used by the Probation Department is the Santa Barbara Asset and Risk Assessment (SBARA) which determines youth risk to reoffend and a review of their strengths. The Department will be exploring additional evidence based tools to determine which one would best meet the needs of the Department as the SBARA can no longer be properly maintained with available resources. Probation has been very appreciative of Dr. Sharkey's efforts over the years and would not have had the SBARA without her assistance.
- Dr. Sharkey will continue to be involved as we move through the review of assessments and Behavioral Wellness' input will be sought as well.
- Dr. Sharkey stated she is in full agreement with this decision and that when the SBARA was developed it was innovative. Since that time risk assessments have advanced beyond the SBARA and to catch up would take a lot of time and resources. It makes sense for our county to look at other options as there are corporations that do this on a broader scale.
- Dr. Gleghorn stated then when looking at the data lots of youth come in for marijuana and with the change in law for the State on January 1<sup>st</sup> we should look at how things will change going forward and whether youth should be criminalized for the use of marijuana. Information was shared that it will still be illegal for juveniles to use marijuana, but it will be comparable to a traffic ticket and will not hold confinement time. If youth are cited they will be referred to an education class and community work service.
- Edwin Weaver encouraged the group to view the forum put on by Behavioral Wellness and Public Health that is now posted online as it is informative. It includes information about why young people are using alcohol and marijuana and how to utilize prevention techniques more effectively.
- Ed Cue stated there are many youth come in with trauma and marijuana seems to be what they choose to self-medicate. We should try to learn from this and change how we respond.
- Tanja proposed adding the marijuana prevention initiative discussion to the February JJCC meeting to review the new laws and how it will affect our youth and what is available for youth in our County.

## 3. **Legislative Update – Wendy Stanley**

- Wendy provided a review of the legislative items relevant to the juvenile justice system.
- S.E. Ballard advised that the Public Defender's Office is developing a call in number, commencing in January 2018, to ensure an attorney responds to youth 15 and under prior

to questioning and the waiving of their Miranda rights. This process will be reviewed after January to determine if the attorneys' will be reporting in person or if it will be a phone call consultation.

4. **Juvenile Justice Data Review Status Update** – Kim Shean/Karyn Milligan
  - Kim provided a review of the process that is underway for the review of the Juvenile Justice Data Review, an update and initial findings will be presented at the February 2<sup>nd</sup> JJCC meeting.
5. **Female Specific Services and Santa Maria Juvenile Hall (SMJH) Evaluation Update** – Dr. Sharkey
  - Dr. Sharkey stated that the focus at the SMJH has been on the females. Changes at the facility have included a more rewards based system and satisfaction of the females has been high so it was decided it was time to expand to males and other areas in the facility.
  - UCSB will be reviewing current education, mental health, and medical practices compared to evidence-based practice identified through national research. UCSB will consult with SMJH providers to identify areas where evidence-based practice can be adapted to the juvenile hall setting with the goal of developing a model program.
  - Supervisor Wolf stated that at the Board of Supervisor (BOS) meeting in January and the Grand Jury report was presented which included a review of female programming by Probation and indicated that Probation would provide the BOS with an update.
6. **Update on Operational Changes at SMJH** – Kristina Brumbaugh
  - Kristina reviewed a PowerPoint with the group that covered changes being made at the SMJH.
  - Tanja acknowledged and thanked Kristina for changing the focus at the facility to rewards for positive behavior, which is a major cultural change for the facility.
7. **Results First Update – Juvenile Program Inventory** – Karyn Milligan
  - At the October presentation of the Result First Initiative, the JJCC agreed to support the creation of an inventory of juvenile programs for our County. The effort will identify programs currently available to youth and determine if they are an evidence-based program designed to reduce recidivism. It will also assist in identifying any service gaps. The creation of an inventory is the first step in in determining which programs to monetize using local costs and ultimately which investments will yield the best and most cost-effective results.
  - To capture needed program and service information, a survey was electronically distributed to all providers and partner agencies. A copy of the survey will be sent via e-mail to the membership for their reference and to ensure all agencies have an opportunity to provide feedback. The surveys are due back to Probation no later than December 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - To receive free technical assistance from The Pew McArthur it will be necessary to establish Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with the key stakeholders and a resolution from the Board of Supervisors.
8. **Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparity (R.E.D.) Update** – Wendy Stanley
  - Our grant submission was accepted and Wendy is currently working on contracts and board letters for UCSB and the Burns Institute to be heard before the BOS in January 2018. She is also working on a purchase order for Just Communities.
  - Just Communities submitted a request for funding for a Youth Advisory subcommittee, however, the group was advised that they were not selected to receive funding for the project. Just Communities is reviewing other potential funding opportunities to support the youth advisory committee. There is a subcommittee reviewing youth participation and how to best involve youth in the R.E.D. Committee.

- Institutional Implicit Bias training is scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> with the morning session scheduled for Department Directors, key policy makers, R.E.D. Committee members, and frontline staff. The afternoon session will be geared more towards R.E.D. Committee members and front line staff. This training will be limited to 50 participants.

Respectfully submitted by Melanie Davis, Executive Secretary

**Next Meeting: February 2, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. – Santa Ynez Valley Marriott**