



**JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Friday, December 4, 2020
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Zoom**

Members in Attendance:

Sol Linver for **Brown, William**, Sheriff-Coroner
Cash, Michael, Guadalupe Police Chief
Gleghorn, Alice Ph.D., Director, Behavior Wellness
Hamlin, Matt, Coast Valley Substance Abuse Treatment Center
Hart, Gregg, 2nd District Supervisor
Heitman, Tanja, Chief Probation Officer
Kerwood, Michelle, Counsel on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (CADA)
Macuga, Tracy, Public Defender (PD)
Amy Krueger for **Nielson, Daniel**, Director, Department of Social Services (DSS)
Parker, Darrel, Court Executive Officer
Rene Wheeler for **Salcido, Susan Ed.D.**, Superintendent, Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO)
Serrano, Saul, Community Action Commission (CAC)
Sharkey, Jill, Ph.D., Associate Dean for Research and Outreach, University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB)
Starr, Billi Jo, Freedom for Youth
Alex Altavilla for **Stoney, Todd**, Captain, Santa Barbara Police Department (SBPD)
Wallace, Kathrine, Lompoc Unified School District (LUSD)
Zimmerman, Brian, Santa Maria Bonita School District (SMBSD)

Members Absent/Unrepresented:

Adam, Peter, 4th District Supervisor
Hansen, Phil, Chief, Santa Maria Police Department (SMPD)
Miyasato, Mona, County Executive Officer (CEO)
Nicola, Mag, District Attorney's Office (DA)
Palera, Dominick, Chair, Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Commission (JJDP)

Staff Present:

Benton, Holly, Probation Department
Bertrand, Ethan, 2nd District Office
Buckner, Amy
Burns, Shana, Behavioral Wellness
Cortes, Alejandra, Santa Barbara Unified School District
Dooley, David
Estrada, Esmeralda
Fletcher, Damon, Probation Department
Grossi, Dana, Probation Department
Miller, Seth, CAC
Milligan, Karyn, Probation Department

Novatt, Maria, County Counsel
Pompa, Shana, Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley (FBSMV)
Ragland, Christopher
Sibley, Christina, Probation Department
Small, Shawn, Probation Department

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

1. Roll Call of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) Members

Present

Alex Altavilla
Michael Cash
Alice Gleghorn
Matt Hamlin
Tanja Heitman
Michelle Kerwood
Amy Krueger
Sol Linver
Tracy Macuga
Darrel Parker
Saul Serrano
Jill Sharkey
Billi Jo Starr
Kathy Wallace
Rene Wheeler
Brian Zimmerman

Absent

Peter Adam
Phil Hansen
Mona Miyasato
Mag Nicola
Dominick Palera

2. Approval of Minutes from October 2, 2020 – All

- A motion was made by Darrel Parker, and seconded by Tracy Macuga, to approve the October 2, 2020 meeting minutes as submitted.
 - A roll call vote was taken of the JJCC members present.
 - Ayes: 17
(Sol Linver, Alice Gleghorn, Darrel Parker, Gregg Hart, Tanja Heitman, Tracy Macuga, Amy Krueger, Rene Wheeler, Michael Cash, Matt Hamlin, Michelle Kerwood, Saul Serrano, Jill Sharkey, Billi Jo Starr, Alex Altavilla, Kathrine Wallace, Brian Zimmerman)
 - Nayes: 0
 - Abstention: 0

3. Public Comment

- None

4. Comments for Council Members not on Agenda

- None

5. Chief Probation Officer Comments – Chief Heitman

- Chief Hansen has announced he will be retiring from the Santa Maria Police Department. Chief Heitman thanked him for his contributions to the JJCC and the community. Outreach will be done to other the County Law Enforcement Chiefs to determine a representative for the JJCC.

6. South Coast Youth Safety Partnership Community Engagement Team (CET) – Saul Serrano & Ali Cortes

- A PowerPoint presentation was provided to the group regarding the South Coast Youth Safety Partnership CET.
- The work done by the CET was recognized by the JJCC members, as it is transforming how to work with youth.

7. Juvenile Justice Realignment – Holly Benton

- A PowerPoint presentation was provided to the group regarding the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Realignment and planning efforts.
- When DJJ is no longer an option and a local program is implemented, it will be with a consistently small number of youth from our county that have both high risk factors and high needs, and will look different than how things have been done historically.
- The DJJ has a very specialized sex offender program, which will be difficult to replicate in counties. The Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC) is hopeful there will be a state resource or regional programs for sex offenders and females.
- Probation takes the approach that the majority of youth entering into the juvenile justice system have experienced trauma, and works to provide trauma-informed care to all youth.
- DJJ is closing to new intakes on July 1, 2021, but at the present time, they are not anticipating sending youth currently serving commitments back to their counties of origin.
- Kathrine Wallace asked about the number of 14 -15 year olds in the system, as Lompoc has had an uptick of younger youth getting into trouble. Chief Heitman indicated the current presentation was related to youth who are being sent to DJJ. The focus of the Probation Department is to divert younger youth out of the Juvenile Justice System entirely where that is appropriate.

8. Review Amendments to JJCC Bylaws – Tanja Heitman

- Chief Heitman reviewed the proposed amendments to the JJCC Bylaws, which are necessary so they accurately represent the changes to legislation enacted as part of Senate Bill (SB) 823 which requires a subcommittee of the JJCC.
- Amendments to the Bylaws require that the public is notified of the proposed changes 30 days in advance of taking action to modify.
- The additional seats would have the same requirements as the JJCC members.
- The subcommittee would have no fewer than three community members selected from the current appointed community members and researcher that are members of the JJCC.

- Shana Pompa from FBSMV indicated she could assist with getting the word out to youth that were formerly juvenile justice system involved.
- This item will be on the February 5, 2021 JJCC agenda and will include the application process.

Respectfully submitted by Melanie Davis, Executive Secretary

Next Meeting: February 5, 2021