

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday, July 1, 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**

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JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
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The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chair Boortz. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Traut. 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
Rick Martinez
Susan Mays

Eula Nelson
Kathleen Nordin
James Riley
Michael Schumacher
Connor Traut
Judy Zorrilla

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: Max Madrid

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

GUESTS: Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, Juvenile Court
Carol Henson, Assistant District Attorney
Laura Jose, Assistant Public Defender, Dependency Unit
Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, Juvenile Dependency, County Counsel
Doug Sanger, Division Director, Probation Department
Denise Churchill, Program Manager II, Orangewood Children & Family Center, SSA
Marcy Garfias, Division Manager, Children & Youth Services, HCA
Grace Lizardo, Nursing Supervisor, Juvenile Health Services, HCA
Kathryn Grant, CEO, CASA
Jack Stanton, Chief Counselor, Regional Center of Orange County
Bob Theemling, Chief Program Officer, Orangewood Children's Foundation
Alex Rounaghi, Member of the Public
Steve Matten, Member of the Public

COMMENTS BY JUVENILE COURT

Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, stated a new launch date for the Odyssey conversion has not been selected. The expected launch date will be announced during the month of August, 2015. Judge Arthur will be assigned to preside over the Boys Court calendar.

COMMENTS BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Carol Henson, Assistant District Attorney, provided a handout to the Commissioners outlining the District Attorney's legal staff structure for the Juvenile Justice Operations and contact information.

COMMENTS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, announced Attorney Meldie Moore will be providing a training regarding "School Discipline and Expulsion Laws" on September 21, 2015 in Department L-21 at 12:15 p.m.

COMMENTS BY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Doug Sanger, Division Director, reported that Senate Bill 124 will not allow the use of solitary confinement as a form of discipline for minors. A working group has been formed to develop a plan for alternatives to solitary confinement of youth. Mr. Sanger explained the policy regarding the use of disciplinary rooms. The first meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2015.

COMMENTS BY SOCIAL SERVICES

Denise Churchill, Program Manager II, reported the Administration and Executive Teams of the Social Services Agency has moved to a new building. The address is 500 State College, Orange. They are no longer located on Main Street in Santa Ana. Ms. Churchill provided information in response to the Grand Jury Report and the Orange County Register article. The drop call rate since March has been below 4%. In April it was 2.7% and in May it was 3.2%. The Orangewood Children and Family Center currently falls under Section 1502 of Assembly Bill 403, which is legislation regarding temporary shelters.

Ms. Churchill reported the current population at the Orangewood Children and Family is 55 children. The second cycle of the "My Life, My Choice" has concluded. There will be a training for staff regarding the "Word on the Street" program on July 21 and 22, 2015. The program cycle is six weeks, which will make it easier for the children to complete.

COMMENTS BY HEALTH CARE AGENCY, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

Marcy Garfias, Division Manager, distributed business cards for the Outreach and Engagement services provided by the Behavioral Health Services division of the Health Care Agency.

Grace Lizardo, Nursing Supervisor, reported there is a wide range of medical conditions treated by the nursing staff while the minors are in the Probation institutions and the Orangewood Children and Family Center. Ms. Lizardo listed some of the diagnoses as being diabetes, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, cardiac disorders, autism, attention deficit hyperactive disorder, oppositional defiant disorder, and kidney disease.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Regional Center of Orange County

Jack Stanton, Chief Counselor, reported the budget was passed on time and the Regional Center is slated to receive an increase. There has not been an increase to their provider rates since 1999. The expected 10% rate increase was taken out of the budget, so further discussion will be held. A Request for Proposal was issued, but no one submitted a proposal. A discussion was held regarding the rates for RCL 14 group homes per month. The Regional Center receives a lower rate than the RCL 14 group homes.

CASA

Kathryn Grant, CEO, announced 200 advocates attended the annual CASA conference. A training will begin next week for 45 new advocates. Ms. Grant announced Lynda Perring has retired from her position. Regan Dean Phillips will be the new Chief Program Officer. There were over 100 people in attendance at the Grad Night celebration for high school seniors and their CASA advocates.

Orangewood Children's Foundation

Bob Theemling, Chief Program Officer, thanked Commissioner Nelson for attending the Independent Living Program graduation ceremony. The Academy has received a certificate of occupancy from the City of Santa Ana. Mr. Theemling reported Orange County was the only county to oppose AB 403. The Foundation is opposed to the legislation unless it is amended.

Protestant Chaplaincy Ministry

Steve Matten, Supervising Chaplain, introduced himself to the Juvenile Justice Commissioners. Chaplain Matten gave an overview of the services provided by the Pacific Youth Correctional Ministries to youth at the Probation institutions and the Orangewood Children and Family Center.

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence was reviewed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the meeting held June 17, 2015, as written.

MSC Commissioners Mays/de Mayo to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2015 meeting, as written. The motion was passed by unanimous consent.

OLD BUSINESS

The Commissioners reviewed the Draft Law Enforcement Agency letter and questionnaire. The Administrative Officer will conduct a telephonic interview of law enforcement personnel to determine if the Juvenile Justice Commission needs to inspect the law enforcement agency facility. **MSC Commissioners Leibel/Nelson to approve the Law Enforcement Agency letter, as written, and to authorize the Administrative Officer to conduct the telephonic interviews.** The motion was passed by unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioners de Mayo, Hart, Martinez, Riley, and Administrative Officer conducted an inspection of the Joplin Youth Center on June 17, 2015. On the day of inspection, there were 50 youth residents at the Joplin Youth Center. A motion was made to send a Corrective Action Notification (CAN) letter to the Joplin Youth Center and the Orange County Department of Education. **MSC de Mayo/Nelson to send Corrective Action Notification letters to the Joplin Youth Center and the Orange County Department of Education, as written.** The motion was passed by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Traut reported the results of the inspection of the Cal State University Fullerton Police Department on June 23, 2015. The Administrative Officer was also present at the inspection. The CSUF 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 June 18, 2015. At the meeting a discussion was held regarding AB 403. The OCCP is currently working on a plan to address the problems faced by Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC). Gene Howard indicated he is working with the Social Services Agency and Florence

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Crittenton Services to open six additional beds for CSEC youth. Judge Hernandez announced there will be a Juvenile Justice Summit on November 20, 2015.

Commissioner Nelson attended the Recruitment, Development, and Support (RDS) meeting on June 25, 2015. A presentation was given at the meeting regarding the Resource Family Approval program. "Foster families" will now be referred to as "resource families."

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Nelson plans to attend the Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership Committee meeting on July 2, 2015.

Commissioners Mays, Nelson, Riley, and Zorrilla will be conducting an inspection at the Placentia Police Department on July 8, 2015.

Commissioners Mays, Nelson, Riley, and Zorrilla will be conducting an inspection at the Brea Police Department on July 8, 2015.

Commissioner Zorrilla plans to attend the Trauma Informed Practice (TIPS-C) Committee meeting on July 8, 2015.

Commissioner Hart plans to attend the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Committee meeting on July 13, 2015.

Commissioner de Mayo plans to attend the Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) meeting on July 14, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION

The regular session was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was convened from 11:05 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Patricia Boortz

Patricia Boortz, Chair