

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday, August 5, 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**

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
August 5, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chair Boortz. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Nelson. 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
Cheryl Hart
Susan Leibel
Steve Livingston
Max Madrid
Rick Martinez
Susan Mays
Eula Nelson
Kathleen Nordin
Michael Schumacher
Connor Traut
Judy Zorrilla

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: Ben de Mayo, Vice Chair
James Riley

STAFF: Beverly MacLaren, Administrative Officer
Vanessa Martinez, Office Assistant

GUESTS: Honorable Maria Hernandez, Presiding Judge, Juvenile Court
Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, Juvenile Court
Jana Hoffmann, Senior Deputy, District Attorney
Tracy LeSage, Assistant Public Defender, Delinquency Unit
Laura Jose, Assistant Public Defender, Dependency Unit
Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, Juvenile Dependency, County Counsel
Steven J. Sentman, Chief Probation Officer
Bryan Prieto, Chief Deputy Probation Officer, Probation Department
Gary Taylor, Division Director, Children & Family Services, SSA
Denise Churchill, Program Manager II, Orangewood Children & Family Center, SSA
Marcy Garfias, Division Manager, Children & Youth Behavioral Health, HCA
Alicia Lemire, Program Manager II, Children & Youth Behavioral Health, HCA
Stacey Northcutt, Program Manager, Juvenile Health Services, HCA
Tony Gibson, Director, Orange County Department of Education (OCDE)
Shelly Grace, Licensing Evaluator, California Community Care Licensing
Chief Dan Llorens, Orange County Chiefs & Sheriff Association
Deputy Chief Valentin, Santa Ana Police Department
Marilyn MacDougall, Executive Director, Drug Use is Life Abuse, OCSD
Maggie Corbin, Victim Advocate, CSP Victim/Witness Assistance Program
Regan Phillips, Chief Program Officer, CASA
Gene Howard, Orange County Alliance for Children and Families
Lawren Ramos, Executive Director, Boys Town
Bonnie Miller, Assistant Program Manager, New Alternatives, Inc.
J. Michael Hughes, Attorney at Law
Amy Crowley, Member of the Public

COMMENTS BY JUVENILE COURT

Honorable Maria Hernandez, Presiding Judge, provided an update regarding the planning of the Juvenile Justice Summit. The summit will be held on November 20 at the Sheriff's Training Facility in Tustin.

Kelli Beltran, Unit Manager, reviewed the statistics of the number of cases filed at the Juvenile Court. There was a decrease in delinquency filings and a slight increase in dependency filings during fiscal year 2014/2015.

COMMENTS BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Jana Hoffmann, Senior Deputy, provided an overview of the training given to the Irvine Police Department by Assistant District Attorney Carol Henson regarding cyberbullying. The District Attorney's Office conducted an internal audit and found there is a need to increase training for new deputies. As a result, the training for new deputies will increase from one week to two weeks.

COMMENTS BY PUBLIC DEFENDER

Tracy LeSage, Assistant Public Defender, Delinquency Unit, reported they are actively participating in the planning meetings for the Juvenile Justice Summit. She has also been involved in the Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction (MIOCR) grant program meetings.

COMMENTS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, announced five trial deputies attended a statewide child abuse seminar in San Diego recently. The next cross-training presentation will be held on Monday, September 21, 2015, in Department L-21 from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. Attorney Meldie Moore will address the topic of School Expulsion and School Discipline Law.

COMMENTS BY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Steven Sentman, Chief Probation Officer, reported there was a staff appreciation event held for the daytime and nighttime staff at Juvenile Hall. The Probation Department will be participating in the Juvenile Justice Summit. Several kids from the Youth Guidance Center participated in the "Summer at the Center" program. The Juvenile Hall population has been fluctuating from 120 up to 140 recently.

Bryan Prieto, Chief Deputy Probation Officer, announced that in September the Probation Department will be going to the Orange County Board of Supervisors to request authorization to withdraw from the Van Horn Regional Treatment Facility, a Joint Powers Authority, located in the City of Riverside. The Probation Department is looking for a site in Orange County to provide treatment options for Orange County youth. In order to qualify for MHSA funding, the facility must be government owned and cannot be leased; and the residents cannot be forced to stay at the facility.

COMMENTS BY SOCIAL SERVICES

Denise Churchill, Program Manager II, provided an overview of the current population at the Orangewood Children and Family Center. She also reviewed the AB 403 proposed timelines reducing the length of stay to 10 days for temporary shelters.

Gary Taylor, Division Director, provided an update on AB 403. The Social Services Agency is planning to support AB 403 as amended. The regulations have not been written at this point. There will be placement teams developed. Currently if a child remains in a group home for more than six months, SSA has to report the information to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). There were 19 recommendations in the Continuum of Care Reform report SSA is working through.

COMMENTS BY HEALTH CARE AGENCY, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

Marcy Garfias, Division Manager, introduced Alicia Lemire as the new Program Director for Children &

Youth Behavioral Health Specialized Services. She will manage the Clinical Evaluation Guidance Units (CEGU) at the Orangewood Children and Family Center, Probation Department institutions including Juvenile Hall and the camps, Juvenile Recovery Court, CAST, Continuing Care Placement Unit (CCPU), and the Youth Reporting Centers. With the reduction in the Juvenile Hall population, CEGU has been able to provide more services to the youth.

COMMENTS BY ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Tony Gibson, Director, announced LaDay Smith is the new full-time Assistant Principal at Joplin. There will be a conference for all of the ACCESS staff. Mr. Gibson will forward the information to the Administrative Officer.

COMMENTS BY CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING

Shelly Grace, Licensing Evaluator, indicated Community Care Licensing is in the process of filling the manager position for Orange, Riverside, and San Diego counties. They are also hoping to hire additional staff. The Orange County office currently has three staff members. She will be sending the Administrative Officer her reports next week.

COMMENTS BY ORANGE COUNTY CHIEFS & SHERIFF ASSOCIATION

Chief Dan Llorens stated officers are being trained on how to interact with people with mental illness. Most cities throughout Orange County have seen a double digit increase in Part 1 crimes as compared to last year at this time. Chief Llorens provided examples of Part 1 crimes.

COMMENTS BY SANTA ANA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Chief Valentin noted the "National Night Out" held in Santa Ana on Tuesday, August 4, 2015, was well attended. There was positive interaction between the community and local law enforcement.

COMMENTS BY ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Marilyn MacDougall, Executive Director, reported the Sheriff's Department had seven locations throughout Orange County for "National Night Out." The Sheriff's Department has a booth at the Orange County Fair where they have equipment to photograph and fingerprint the children. If they are verbal, they will also video the child. The parents are then given a computer disk containing the identifying information to keep for their records. They are assisting with returning children who are lost to their parents. This year the Fair has an on-grounds school for the children of the carnival workers. The children wear school uniforms and attend classes while their parents work.

Commissioner Zorrilla commended the Sheriff's Department for the Marijuana Summit that was held on June 5, 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CSP VICTIM/WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Maggie Corbin, Victim Advocate, stated the number of clients in the month of July was 288, which is high compared to other months.

CASA

Regan Phillips, Chief Program Officer, noted there are 34 advocates in the new training session and six are males. There are currently 107 children on the waitlist to have a CASA appointed.

ORANGE COUNTY ALLIANCE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Gene Howard reported they are continuing to move forward with the PBS documentary, "The Raising of America." They continue to partner with the Families and Communities Together (FaCT) program to provide support and services to children and their families.

BOYS TOWN

Lawren Ramos, Executive Director, announced Boys Town began the operation of two of the cottages at the Tustin Family Campus on July 1, 2015. The Boys Town Centennial Commemorative Coin Act (HR 893) became Public Law. The coins will be issued in 2017.

NEW ALTERNATIVES, INC.

Bonnie Miller, Assistant Program Manager, provided an overview of the current population at the Court Replacement Facility (CRF). A discussion was held regarding the transportation of minors to off-site schools.

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence was reviewed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the meeting held July 15, 2015, as written. **MSC Commissioners Leibel/Schumacher to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2015 meeting, as written.**

OLD BUSINESS

The Orange County System Improvement Plan was tabled to the next JJC meeting for discussion.

Commissioner Hart provided an overview of the unannounced Juvenile Hall inspection on Wednesday, July 1, 2015. Commissioners Livingston, Nelson, Nordin, Riley and the Administrative Officer were also present at the inspection. A recommendation was made by the inspection team to send a Corrective Action Notification (CAN) letter to Juvenile Hall. There being no opposition to the recommendation, it was unanimously agreed to send the Corrective Action Notification letter.

As a follow-up to the Juvenile Hall inspection, Commissioners Boortz, Livingston and Nelson will be meeting today with Kirk Anderson, Program Administrator, to discuss the Otto A. Fischer School.

The Administrative Officer reported the response from the Probation Department to the Corrective Action Notification letter regarding the Joplin Youth Center.

The Administrative Officer reported the response from the Orange County Department of Education to the Corrective Action Notification letter regarding the Joplin School.

The Administrative Officer read the response from the Olive Crest Palm group home to the Corrective Action Notification letter. The response noted two items have been corrected and a work order has been submitted to correct the third item.

The Administrative Officer read the response from New Alternatives CRF group home to the Corrective Action Notification letter. The response stated the item has been corrected.

The Administrative Officer reported the Bylaws were approved by Judge Hernandez on July 23, 2015. A copy of the Bylaws were distributed to each of the Commissioners.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Schumacher reported the results of the inspection of the La Palma Police Department on July 15, 2015. Commissioner Riley was also present at the inspection. The La Palma Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioner Schumacher reported the results of the inspection of the Buena Park Police Department on July 15, 2015. Commissioner Riley was also present at the inspection. The Buena Park Police Department held no minors over six hours. There were no issues regarding the handling of juveniles at this facility.

Commissioner Hart provided an overview of the re-inspection of the Olive Crest Saylor group home on July 22, 2015. Commissioners Hart, Martinez, Nordin, Zorrilla, and the Administrative Officer were also present at the re-inspection. A motion was made to send a Corrective Action Notification (CAN) letter to the Olive Crest Saylor group home. **MSC Hart/Nordin to send a Corrective Action Notification letter to the Olive Crest Saylor group home.**

Commissioner Zorrilla provided an overview of Childhelp Joann inspection held on Wednesday, July 29, 2015. Commissioners Hart, Nelson, and the Administrative Officer were also present at the inspection. A motion was made to send a Corrective Action Notification (CAN) letter to Childhelp Joann. **MSC Hart/Mays to send a Corrective Action Notification letter to Childhelp Joann.**

LIAISON ACTIVITIES

OCCP

Commissioner Leibel provided an overview of the Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP) meeting held on Thursday, July 16, 2015. Some of the topics discussed at the OCCP meeting included: 21st Annual Report, Van Horn Regional Treatment facility, and AB 403.

Foster Care Advisory Board

Commissioner Nelson provided an overview of the Foster Care Advisory Board (FCAB) meeting held on Wednesday, July 22, 2015.

CAST

Commissioner Leibel provided an overview of the meeting held on Wednesday, July 22, 2015. Michael Meyers has retired and Kim Ragen is covering the position until a replacement is selected. Stephanie Ricker is the new coordinator for CAST.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Child Death Review

Commissioner Mays reported there will be a meeting with the Probation Department, County Counsel, Judge Hernandez, and the Administrative Officer to discuss the procedures to review deaths of Probation wards.

Legislation

Youth Commissioner Traut provided an overview of AB 424, AB 900, and SB 124. A discussion was held regarding the impact of the legislation if passed.

Mental Health

Commissioner Hart stated there is \$8 million designated as Community Services and Supports (CSS) funds that has not been spent. Commissioner Hart encouraged the other JJC Commissioners to participate in the on-line survey to give input as to where they would like to see the money spent.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership meeting scheduled for August 6, 2015, has been canceled. The next meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2015.

Commissioners Hart and Schumacher will be attending the MHSA Steering Committee on Monday, August 10, 2015.

Commissioners Hart, Madrid, Martinez, Zorrilla, and Traut will be attending the Santa Ana Unified School District Police Department inspection on Wednesday, August 12, 2015.

Commissioners Hart, Livingston, Madrid, Martinez, Zorrilla, and Traut will be attending the Santa Ana Police Department inspection on Wednesday, August 12, 2015.

Commissioner Zorrilla will be attending the TIPS-C meeting on Wednesday, August 12, 2015.

Commissioner Nelson plans to attend the Foster Family Agency Forum on Tuesday, August 18, 2015.

Commissioners Hart, Leibel, Nordin, Martinez, Zorrilla, and the Administrative Officer will be conducting the unannounced inspection of the Youth Leadership Academy today.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION

The regular session was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was convened from 12:06 p.m. until 12:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Patricia Boortz

Patricia Boortz, Chair