

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday November 15, 2023
9:12 a.m.**

AGENDA

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

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
Wednesday November 15, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:12 a.m. by Vice Chair Yost. 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
Silvestre Lopez
Wyatt McClean
Lynda Perring, Chair (WebEx)
Madelyn Rodriguez
Jan Sturla
Mary Lou Vachet (WebEx)
Dolores Yost, Vice Chair

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: Connie Marshall
Steve Winder

STAFF: Lii Toelupe, Executive Administrative Assistant
Taeona Beechum, Legal Processing Specialist

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The November 01, 2023, minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence was reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Nominations

Commissioner Yost presented the slate for the 2024 Chair and Vice Chair nominations and election. The slate of nominations was announced: Chair, Judy Johnson and Vice Chair, Steve Winder. Vice Chair Yost thanked and discharged the members of the Nominating Committee. With there being no objections to the nominees, Vice Chair Yost proceeded with the vote. The members of the Commission unanimously voted in favor of the nominees. Vice Chair Yost declared the nominees elected for 2024 and the election closed.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

A. Education

Commissioner Johnson provided a brief update. The JJC Education Committee is planning to schedule another meeting with Vern Burton and school administrators by the end of 2023.

B. JJC/Probation Book Club

Commissioner Lopez reported the book club participants will begin to read, "A Street Cat Named Bob" by James Bowen, with the focus of finding meaning and purpose to life.

C. JJC Working Group re: substance abuse and mental health programs/services

Commissioner Johnson gave a brief overview. The subcommittee are planning to schedule another meeting to discuss the information they received from Alicia Lemire, Program Manager, HCA Children & Youth Behavioral Health. A meeting will be scheduled by the end of the year.

REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS

Child Abuse Services Team (CAST Policy Meeting

Commissioner Johnson provided a brief update of the CAST policy board meeting held on October 19, 2023. She reported CAST hired a new coordinator, Noelle Ainsley.

Addressing the Opioid Crisis in Orange County Townhall

Commissioner Johnson attended the Addressing the Opioid Crisis in Orange County Townhall meeting on October 24, 2023. The topic of discussion was the Fentanyl crisis. Informational handouts were distributed.

Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership (CWSIP) Meeting

Commissioner Churchill provided a brief overview of the CWSIP meeting held on November 2, 2023. She reported CWISPs goal is to review the 2024-2029 5-year placement stability plan.

Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR) “Youth Action Justice Webinar Series”

Commissioners Lopez and Vachet attended the OYCR “Youth Action Justice Webinar Series” on November 6, 2023. Commissioner Lopez reported OYCR are moving from science-based trauma to informed care. OYCR will also focus on more culturally competent programs.

Essay Contest Debrief Meeting w/ Probation and Orange County Department of Education (OCDE)

Commissioners Lopez and Vachet attended the Essay Contest debrief on November 7, 2023. Commissioner Lopez reported OCDE and Probation would like to be involved in choosing a theme for the 2024 essay contest. It was determined that the Education Committee, OCDE and Probation will continue to have more discussions regarding the 2024 essay contest.

Commercially Sexually Improvement Partnership (CSEC) Prevention and Awareness Subcommittee

Tabled to the next JJC meeting.

The Science of Attachment Relationships and their Impact on Transitions: A Child-Centered Approach to Child Protection Webinar

Tabled to the next JJC meeting.

Webinar: State of Sexual and Reproductive Health for Youth in Foster Care

Commissioner Johnson attended the State of Sexual and Reproductive Health for Foster Care on November 14, 2023. She reported more data will need to be assessed regarding the passing of Assembly Bill 112 and Senate Bill 89.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/WEBINARS/INSPECTIONS

Commissioners Garfias and Johnson are planning to attend the Child Fatality Review Meeting on December 6, 2023.

Commissioners Churchill, Johnson and Marshall are planning to attend the Orangewood Children's Holiday Tea/Open House on December 6, 2023.

Commissioners Johnson, Lopez, Perring, Rodriguez and Yost are planning to attend the Project Youth OC Annual Event on December 6, 2023.

Commissioners Churchill and Perring plan to attend the Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership (CWSIP) on December 7, 2023.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Churchill shared a review of some of the changes to admission and discharge requirements for Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Programs (STRTPS). Commissioner McClean mentioned a potential proposition regarding mental health programs, funding, and housing.

Dolores Yost

Dolores Yost, Vice Chair