

#### COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission 222 Paul Scannell Drive • San Mateo, CA 94402

### Minutes of the Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 | 5:15-7:15 pm College of San Mateo College Heights Conf. Room and Zoom MINUTES

**Commissioners Present**: Monroe Labouisse, Wesley Liu, Paul Bocanegra, Whitney Genevro, Johanna Rasmussen; Susan Swope

Commissioners Joining Remotely: Karin Huber-Levy, Satvik Nori, Melissa Wilson

Commissioners Absent: Ameya Nori, Allen Bustos; Appollonia "Dee" Uhila

**Partners and Stakeholders Present:** Hon. Susan Etezadi, SMC Juvenile Court; Victor Hernandez (Spanish Interpreter); Francisco Dolores (Spanish Interpreter)

**Community Members**: Chelsea Bonini, Becca Kieler, Ali Picos, Evan Rodriguez, Kris Shouse, Abigail Trillin, Padmaja Nuvuluru, Michele Iracheta

#### I. Preliminary Business

- a. The meeting was called to order by Chair Labouisse at 5:19 pm and a quorum was established at 5:40 pm.
- b. M: Swope// S: Bocanegra to defer approval of the minutes of May 2023 meeting to next month. Approved unanimously.
- c. M: Swope// S: Bocanegra to approve the June meeting agenda. Approved unanimously.
- d. Chair Labouisse announced the resignations of Commissioners Bustos and Uhila.
- e M: Membership Committee to recommend the appointment of Zahara Agarwal and Ruth Singh to the JJDPC. Approved unanimously.
- f. Membership Update (Huber-Levy): There are currently three vacancies on the Commission, and two pending applications. Commissioner Huber-Levy is currently developing a more structured orientation program with assistance from the Board of State and Community Corrections.

#### **II. Oral Communications (Public Comment)**

Becca Kieler (In Our Care) reported she recently attended the Board of Supervisors meeting and heard a report from Chief Keene on vacation. She asked how In Our Care can support the work of the commission.



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#### III. Updates from System Partners

- a. <u>Juvenile Court</u> (Judge Etezadi) announced that Judge Cadet will transfer to Family Law, and Judge Cho will be assigned to Juvenile Court on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. There are currently 19 youth in juvenile hall.
- b. <u>Probation</u> (Clark) The new Superintendent of Institutions is Ms. Aarons. As of June 27<sup>th</sup>, there were 153 youth on formal probation, 123 on informal probation, 19 on diversion, 0 in placement, 1 receiving AB 12 services, 1 DJJ returnee on Electronic Monitoring Program (EMP), 18 total on EMP, 18 at Institutions at the Youth Services Center, and 3 county youth at Camp Kemp

#### IV. Presentation from Community Organization: ReEvolution

Commissioners Bocanegra and Ransmussen reported on the activities of their non-profit, ReEvolution. ReEvolution focuses on preventing youth involvement with the juvenile justice system, facilitating re-integration of youth who are justice-involved, and mentoring youth both in and out of detention.

The organization received \$10,000 in Measure K funds from the Board of Supervisors. Half of that provide 250 rides for youth and their guardians who must attend appointments at the YSC and need transportation. To access, they will call Commissioner Rasmussen who will arrange an Uber or Lyft ride to and from the YSC.

The other \$5,000 funds a family support group that meets the first Wednesday of each month from 6:30-7:30 via Zoom.

#### V. Updates on Current Commission Projects

- a. <u>Sexual Abuse Prevention</u> (Rasmussen) Commissioner Rasmussen had a very productive meeting with Chief Keene and Peter K last week. They reviewed many documents. They will meet weekly.
- b. <u>Food and Lodging in Dete</u>ntion (Rasmussen) the Sheriff's Department provides food to the Youth Services Center. While it may meet nutritional requirements some youth are reluctant to eat it, and meal times are at odd times.
- c. <u>2023 Inspections (Rasmussen)</u> Inspection leads and on-site inspections are on track.



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- i. Education Inspection (Wilson) Shelly Johnson recently resigned as Principal of Court and Community Schools. Michael Daugherty will be on-boarded, and a new principal will be selected.
- ii. Judith Holiber provided a waiver for the youth commissioners to participate in the inspections.

#### iii. Public Comment:

- 1. Michelle Iracheta asked if members of the public are allowed to participate in inspections.
- 2. Charon Pfieffer provided a written public comment stating that probation allowed for the successful visit of a child under the age of five, and the unit manager has requested computers for youth since they are unable to bring laptops to the unit. She is appreciative of the progress.
- d. <u>Reimagine Juvenile Hall Committee</u> The Committee will get information from the Education Inspection Committee to include in the report. When completed the committee will present its findings to the Board of Supervisors (currently scheduled for July 25th).

#### VI. New Business

- a. <u>Joint JJCs Letter Re Continuum of Care</u> (Swope) Commissioner Swope reported on the Zoom meeting called by the Sonoma JJC to discuss concerns about the unintended consequences of the Continuum of Care. Representatives from 14 of the 58 California counties attended. The Sonoma JJC asked that we all send the same letter to our state legislators. If we want to bring up issues specific to our County, they asked that it be separate.
- b. Oath of Confidentiality (Wilson) –M: Swope//S: Labouisse to adopt the Oath of Confidentiality (as attached in the agenda packet) striking out "I promise," and replacing it with "I swear or affirm." Approved unanimously.
- c. <u>2023 Retreat/Offsite</u> (Rasmussen) Commissioner Rasmussen envisions this combining training and retreat. Training will be done by the Board of State and Community Corrections. Dates and details to be determined.

#### VII. Updates/Announcements:

- a. Youth Commission Resolutions on Youth Tried as Adults and Improving Youth Safety were delivered to the Commission.
- b. Commissioner Swope reported that her appointment to the County Civil Grand Jury ends June 30<sup>th</sup>. The Grand Jury has released reports on Additional Dwelling Units (ADUs) and



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School/Business Partnerships, including Career Technical Education (CTE). There is a critical shortage of certified teachers, including those certified to teach CTEs.

Adjourned at 6:54 PM **Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 25, 2023**