



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission
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**Minutes of the Regular Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission
May 30, 2017**

5:15-7:15pm

455 County Center, 4th Floor, Room 402, Redwood City

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Co-Chair – Susan Swope, Co-Vice Chairs - Sonoo Thadaney and Rebecca Flores, Al Serrato, Melissa Wilson, and Richard Boitano (Emeritus)

Commissioners Excused: Michele Gustafson, Nick Jasso, Valerie Gibbs, and Irv Rollins

Youth Commissioner: Clara MacAvoy

Staff Present:

Jeff Morino, Probation Services Manager

Additional Attendees:

Toni Barrack – Community Member

Nancy Magee – SMCOE

Mary Oleksy – Stanford

Kody Lizana – FLY

Tara Ford – Stanford Law School

Joey Gallo - FLY

Bill Silverfarb – Supervisor Canepa’s Office

I. Administrative Business:

- a. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.
- b. Roll Call and Establish Quorum: A quorum was established.
- c. Introductions
- d. Agenda Review: **Approved** as distributed
- e. Approval of Minutes: April 25, 2017 minutes: **Approved** as distributed.

II. Oral Communications: None.

III. Consideration of Russell Brunson’s JJDPC Application

Jan Ellard confirmed Mr. Brunson does not qualify as a potential Commissioner since he is not a resident of San Mateo County and that requirement is part of the County Charter. Ms. Ellard agreed to look into whether we can have Mr. Brunson join as a non-voting member to represent the Coast, as he works for the City of Half Moon Bay.

IV. State Legislation that Affects Youth

- a. Review of bills in the legislature that affect youth (Swope)
There are several bills in the legislature that affect youth--AB529, AB1181, AB507, AB1227, SB426, SB462 (see attachment). Commissioner Swope would like the commission to be aware of these.

V. Project Updates

- a. Update on Proposed Response to the California Child Welfare Continuum of Care
No discussion.

- b. Suggest/consider other possible projects for 2017
No discussion.

VI. Probation Remarks (Brasil)

- a. Update on impacts of Grand Jury Report on juvenile facilities
No report.

- b. Progress on installation of new security cameras
Jeff Morino, Director with the Probation Department, reported that audio is now working on the security cameras. Both are high-definition and the film is kept for one year.

- c. Current number of youth in YSC, Camp Kemp and Camp Glenwood
Jeff Morino reported there are 58 boys and 5 girls in YSC as of May 30th, Camp Kemp has 12 girls in custody and 6 in GEP. Camp Glenwood has 23 boys, two of whom are still at YSC while their plans are developed.

Capital Improvements are in process at Camp Glenwood. A new commercial stove has been installed in the kitchen. The kitchen will also have a new refrigerator, dishwasher, and freezer. The parking lot will be re-paved and the volleyball court has been re-sanded. The Paxton Patterson class has a landscaping project. The youth will be making things out of concrete on the yard. The youth are also constructing a cinder block wall to make an outdoor kitchen with a BBQ grill. They plan to install a water feature and red brick planter boxes in front of the school.

VII. San Mateo Office of Education Remarks (Magee)

- a. Report out on Multi-County Project Change meeting held on April 11th
Alameda and Contra Costa Counties are interested in implementing a program like our Project Change in their counties. They met with SMCOE and Katie Bliss to learn about Project Change. Both Alameda and Contra Costa Counties developed next steps toward developing similar programs for their delinquency youth.

- b. Graduation number of youth in YSC, Camp Kemp and Camp Glenwood
Nine students from the Court schools will receive their high school diploma or GED at YSC on May 31, 2017. Their parents have been invited to attend.

NDNU instructors taught college-level writing class for 8 weeks. College of San Mateo provided speakers from different career paths. The number of college instructors coming into Hillcrest will be expanded in September.

Bill Silverfarb from Supervisor David Canepa's office recommended having achievement certificates given to the graduates from the Board of Supervisors as part of the graduation ceremony. He also suggested the Commission should provide some recognition of the students' accomplishment.

VIII. Liaison/Study Group Reports

- a. Inspections Committee

- 1. Schools subcommittee (Rollins)

- Commissioner Wilson reported the Canyon Oaks school inspection will be scheduled in September 2017 when school starts again. She plans to spend more time in the classroom at Hillcrest. They spent a lot of time in classes at Glenwood, but not as much at Camp

Kemp and Hillcrest. They interviewed the schools' principal. YSC, Camp Kemp and Camp Glenwood schools were completed on May 4th and 5th. Reports have not been completed yet.

2. Sign-ups for facilities inspection teams

The Camp Kemp inspection will be in July 2017, date to be determined. Commissioners Al Serrato and Melissa Wilson completed the Youth Services Center inspection on May 30, 2017. They may return to speak with more people. Camp Glenwood's inspection is scheduled for Monday, June 26, 2017. The Receiving Home inspection is scheduled for Monday, June 12, 2017.

b. Court and Probation Liaison (Wilson)

Judge Cretan told Commissioner Wilson that he will be moving to Adult Court. And Judge Lee will replace him as of August 1st.

Judge Cretan wants more programming at YSC, particularly for the five or so youth who have their GED or high school diplomas. They are on the unit for 5 hours a day, Monday through Friday, with no programming. Commissioner Wilson raised this concern with the Probation staff during the inspection. Staff said they can't make them participate in programming during school hours. There are 4 youth who are high school graduates. Currently, the youth who have graduated and remain on the unit assist staff with tasks (i.e., putting out soap, folding laundry, etc.). The Commission would like to see other types of programming offered to the youth.

Director Jeff Morino stated Project Change is offered to the high school graduate youth. They also offer independent study book reports for these youth.

Nancy Magee from SMCOE stated they have funds budgeted for the next school year, 2017-2018, to pay for the college instructors to come into Hillcrest and offer classes to high school graduates. They are also collaborating with Katie Bliss to expand what they already offer.

c. Youth Commission Update (MacAvoy)

Youth Commissioner MacAvoy reported the Commission held their end of the year meeting and showcase on Thursday, May 25th. They each gave presentations on their committees. She also reported that she was elected Chair of the Environmental Protection Committee. They are creating an Ad Hoc committee for the summer to re-structure the Commission. The Bylaws were changed, to reflect their current practice. They are re-structuring the way they create their committees.

IX. Commissioner Comments/Announcements

- a. JJDPC training, Thursday, September 14, 2017, CCPA Annual Training and Exhibitors Conference, Queen Mary, Long Beach. Go to: www.CPPCA.org. Commissioner Flores will look into it.
- b. Commissioners Thadaney and Flores will look into the possibility of our hosting Commission training here.

X. Meeting Adjourned 6:11pm

The Next JJDPC Meeting: Tuesday, June 27, 2017

Location: 455 County Center, Room 402, Redwood City, CA