

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

March 9, 2022

Microsoft Teams Teleconference

12:00 p.m. – 2:16 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Palagummi, Vamsey (Chair)	Mchombo, Pamela	Norris, Zachary
Metz, Elana (Vice Chair)	Galvis, George	Nunley, Patricia
Anderson, Louise	Larios, Xochtil	Peralta, Gina

Collaborative Partners Present:

Axe, Holly, <i>Probation Specialist, Probation</i>	Lee, Sherron, <i>Probation</i>
Badiey, Naseem, <i>Probation Specialist, Probation</i>	Long, Ian, <i>Deputy Chief, Probation</i>
Barton, Crystal, <i>Unit Supervisor, Probation</i>	Mance, Alphonso, <i>Public Defender</i>
Brown, Jenifer, <i>Division Director, Probation</i>	McGuire, Tammy, <i>Probation</i>
Buckner-Preston, Mia, <i>Social Services</i>	Middleton, Natasha, <i>Probation Specialist, Probation</i>
Chambers, Adrienne, <i>Deputy Chief Probation Officer</i>	Mitchell, Alicia, <i>Director, Probation Department</i>
Clubb, Audrey, <i>Probation</i>	Moffatt, Sean, <i>ACOE Director of Court Schools</i>
Dawal, Marcus, <i>Interim Chief Probation Officer</i>	Pappas, Carissa, <i>Probation Specialist, Probation</i>
Dickey, Scott, <i>County Counsel</i>	Rivers, James, <i>Superintendent, Probation Department</i>
Emmons, Craig, <i>Division Director, Probation</i>	Ross, Javay, <i>ACBH</i>
Ford, Brian, <i>Assistant Chief Probation Officer</i>	Sahakian, Fred, <i>Probation Specialist, Probation</i>
Fort, Jessica, <i>Superintendent, Probation Department</i>	Tate, Hattie, <i>OUSD</i>
Garcia, Alex, <i>Probation</i>	Walton, Robert, <i>Probation Specialist, Probation</i>
Gerchow, Christine, <i>ACBH</i>	Wegley, Rebecca, <i>Probation Specialist, Probation</i>
Jones Dickson, Ursula, <i>Presiding Judge, Juvenile</i>	Zambrana, Andrea, <i>Conflict Counsel</i>
Konover, Kimberle, <i>ACBH</i>	Kane, Anna, <i>Secretary, Probation Department (Recorder)</i>

Approval of minutes: On a motion made by *Commissioner George Galvis* and seconded by *Commissioner Vamsey Palagummi*:
“To approve January 12, 2022 and February 9, 2022 JJDPC meeting minutes.”

MOTION CARRIED

Probation

- Presentation (attached)

QUESTIONS & RESPONSES

What is the correlation between the number of sustained 707(b) offenses and the number of OC spray incidents in the hall?
Almost all youth currently at JJC are there for 707(b) offenses. Pro-social, mediation, and conflict resolution programs are providing incentives to reduce violent behavior at the Hall.

Have you thought of offering cash incentives?
We are willing to explore all ideas.

What is the process for families to access resources?
Probation has a Breaking Barriers program. The family needs to have a conversation with the probation officer, complete a one-page application, and provide supporting documents, such as a utility statement or copy of lease.

AGENDA

DISCUSSION

ACTION NEEDED

Please describe the grievance response process.

The grievance process is as follows: youth fill out a paper form which is scanned by the IS1 and transmitted to the Deputy Chief. If the grievance does not require immediate attention from DCPO, IS1 and IS2 work to resolve the grievance. If it is not resolved at that level, it goes up the chain. Youth can appeal the response to the Superintendent.

JJDPC commissioners review all grievances and follow-up on a quarterly basis.

What religious services are offered? Are the services being expanded?

Religious services have not ceased but have gone to virtual services. Youth can request any type of religious services. ACPD will provide it upon request.

Send George a list of faith-based services provided by JJC. Revisit the sweat-lodge idea.

Why does DPN provide the majority of prevention services to youth from Livermore, even though most Probation youth come from Oakland? What can be done so youth from Oakland receive more prevention services?

Probation will review the numbers in the presentation. A number of steps have already been taken to increase referrals from Oakland.

A presentation about DPN services will be given to OPD.

The DPN data that was shared is only from local service centers. Probation has contracts with many programs in Oakland that are not part of the DPN. While we cannot collect data on youth that are not on probation, we do have many programs for at-promise youth.

Review data regarding programs (Adrienne)

Probation was asked which offenses are referred to detention. It was requested that Probation also provide court referral data as well.

What percentage of probation funds go to prevention services?
A little over \$20 million over three years goes to prevention services. Total department budget is \$179 million which covers Adult Field Services, Administration, Facilities, and Juvenile Field Services (JFS). \$30 million goes to JFS, which funds the prevention services.

What can we do to support families right now that are feeling the economic impact of the pandemic? What can you do to support families directly that does not involve child welfare or juvenile justice systems?

Probation put out an RFP for community capacity building for a local organization that can give out grants to expand the population they serve.

How involved are programs such as BAWAR and MISSEY with the girls at JJC? What can be done to bolster their involvement?
All youth receive screening to identify if they at-risk or exploited. There are case planning meetings where referrals are made. There was no break in services due to the pandemic, though the programs were conducted virtually. There will be a new Cognitive Behavior Therapy group just for girls soon.

AGENDA

DISCUSSION

ACTION NEEDED

Has Probation been exploring ways to divert youth to DPN?
We do provide referrals to DPN to those that are eligible.

Can the DPN refuse to accept some youth?
OPD has a pilot program, Neighborhood Opportunity Accountability Board, who will refer youth to programs before they call Probation. OPD will call the Hall and the youth are screened to determine whether they should be brought in.

Is there data that can be presented on the number of youth that go through that process and are not brought to the Hall?
We just put in a process to track this data.

The data presented today does not show full picture of Oakland kids being diverted to programs. Can this be tracked?
We don't have a database to capture data of at-promise kids that are not on Probation and there's no easy way to catch the data.

When does the QI assessment happen in the placement process?
It has to be completed within 30 days of the placement order. Alameda County is not contracting out the assessments. Behavioral Health is completing them.

Do DPOs in Placement have specific training for gender responsivity?
All probation officers are trained for gender responsivity.

Is there an assessment tool used in JJC to identify girls who might be trafficked?
Yes.

What is the average length of time that a DPN organization can work with the youth? Can that time be extended?
Depends on the service provided; for youth with higher needs, we have contracts with other organization that can provide wrap-around services.

How long is the duration for providing care?
We can authorize to extend the service if needed.

Please provide level of intensity each of the ten services provides.
Fiscal would have to pull each contract to answer this question.

Provide data for this question.

Conflict Counsel

- A new senior social worker was hired
- Another position is open for a youth social worker
- Odyssey, the court system, has been down since last week. Attorneys outside the County have no access

Court

- The issue with Odyssey has to do with the Tyler system

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
ACOE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attorneys can come to court and use the system there to access Odyssey, they just don't have access from outside• Last week, a JIO had incorrect information and a youth was not provided a laptop to appear in court remotely• Wants more information/presentation regarding kids in custody that need IEPs and what services are provided <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All IEPs happen within 30 days; youth come with IEPs that are out of date; ACOE does a battery of tests, assessments, and meetings. A curriculum is planned to take account of the youth's level and needed accommodations, etc.• A weekly list of students that have IEPs is provided	<i>ACOE to provide a presentation to the Commission (April agenda)</i>
Public Defender	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working with youth with Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) status• Sasha is going on parental leave; another social worker filling in	
Medical Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• February numbers are as follows:• 41 admissions/ 42 discharges• 18 COVID vaccines• Physician appointments: 29 history and physical visits and 15 sick visits, and a number of nurse visits for medications	
Public Comment:	No public comment	
Next Meeting Date:	Meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m.	
Location:	Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.	
	Microsoft Teams Teleconference	