

# **ALAMEDA COUNTY Juvenile Justice and Delinguency Prevention Commission**

**MEETING MINUTES** Wednesday, March 12, 2025 | 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM 2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA 94578 **Room C-1011 ZOOM Teleconference** 

## **Commissioners Present:**

- □ Palagummi, Vamsey (Chair)
- Metz, Elana (Vice Chair)
- Anderson, Louise

**Youth Commissioner:** 🖂 Faiyaz, Sara

## **Collaborative Partners Present:**

- □ Antonio, Esmeraldo, ACPD
- □ Badiey, Naseem, ACPD
- □ Banuelos, Albert, ACPD
- ⊠ Battar, Malliga, ACBH
- □ Bellino, Dan, ACOE
- ⊠ Buckner-Preston, Mia, SSA-CWS
- ⊠ Cercone. Dante. ACPD
- 🖾 Conner, Shauna, ACPD
- □ Donovan, Allyson, DA
- Ebrahimi, John, ACPD
- □ Emmons, Craig, ACPD
- □ Ford, Brian, Chief, ACPD

 $\Box$  Garcia, Lupe ACSC

Asberry, Aminah

Ervin, Kareem

Frye, Jasmine

- □ Gipson, Tiffaney, DA
- 🖾 Gomez, Antonio, ACBH
- Gratz-Lazarus, Zach, CAAP
- Harris, Lisa, AC Library
- □ Jackson, Scott, ACSC
- □ Jones, Paulynne, ACPD
- ⊠ Khan. Shereen
- □ Maemori, William, ACPD
- □ Mance, Alphonso, Public Defender
- Mitchell, Alicia, ACPD
- Moritz, Lucia, ACOE

- ⊠ Nunley, Patricia
- Scott, Richard
- 🖾 Shay, Shani
- □ Nair, Kamal
- ⊠ Pappas, Carissa, ACPD
- 🛛 Ross, Javay, ACPH
- $\Box$  Smith, April, DA
- □ Taizan, Juan, ACBH
- ⊠ Tate, Hattie, OUSD
- □ Vaughan, Monica, ACOE
- □ Walton, Robert, ACPD
- 🖾 Wegley, Rebecca, ACPD
- □ Williams, Shahidah, BOS
- □ Wilson, Jacq, DA
- ⊠ Yun, Jennifer, ACBH
- Zambrana, Andrea, CAAP
- 1. Call to Order and roll call The meeting was called to order at 12:03 PM.

### 2. Review and adoption of meeting minutes from January 8, 2025.

# 3. Commission Update(s), Announcements and Comments:

- The commission has publicly posted revised bylaws that will be voted on during the April 2025 a. meeting.
- 4. Presentation on Immigration Issues Facing Non-Citizen Youth in Alameda County given by Raha Jorjani of the Public Defender's Office Immigration Representation Unit (presentation attached).

## 5. Partner Updates

- a. Education Lucia Moritz
  - i. Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) visited last October. WASC gave ACOE a sixvear accreditation.
  - ii. In February we held a graduation ceremony for five graduates.
  - iii. New Program Manager for the post-secondary program, Rayvon Jones, will help with career development.
  - iv. A second educational liaison was hired. The goal is to work in greater partnership with Hattie Tate of Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) to ensure the youth are enrolled and back in school postrelease.
  - v. There are 15 graduates in the post-secondary program and 7 students in dual enrollment at Laney College.

- □ Jackson, Aaron ⊠ Larios, Xochtil
- ⊠ Marshall, Paul
- **Member Emeritus:**

### b. Courts

- i. Public Defender Michael Wu
  - 1. Joined the Juvenile Department of the Public Defender's Office in November 2024.
- ii. Conflict Attorney Andrea Zambrana
  - 1. We have looked at the referral numbers over the past year through the beginning months of 2025. In comparing the number from 2023 to 2024, there was a 60% increase in the number of felony cases referred to CAAP. The first two months of 2025 are proving to be similar; the increase is in double digits for juvenile and adult.
  - 2. CAAP is struggling to find attorneys that can handle the capacity.
- c. Behavioral Health Jennifer Yun
  - i. Behavioral Health sees all youth in Juvenile Hall. There are unit clinicians assigned to each unit.
  - ii. We have start dates of 3/31/2025 for two full-time county clinicians. We have two of three contractor clinicians remaining.

#### d. Probation

- i. Facilities Updates Shauna Conner
  - 1. We have implemented Family Engagement Night. They occur on Wednesday in small groups, with one to two families.
  - 2. The WNBA team Valkyries came to Juvenile Hall. There was the Warrior's basketball camp and the Rise program with a motivational speaker. After the presentation, we all shared a meal.
  - 3. The MC3 program at Camp Sweeney has relaunched.
  - 4. Facilities Demographics: Juvenile Hall 40 youths in Juvenile Hall (35 male, 5 female), 34 youth on GPS (27 male, 7 female), 0 youth on Home Supervision, 4 youth in High School and 9 youth are in college. Firm Roots Academy 11 Youth. Camp Sweeney 6 youth (2 Secure Track, 4 Non-Secure).
- ii. Positive Youth Development (PYD) Updates Antonio Gomez
  - 1. Transition Center (TC) stats for January 2025: 91 youth were serviced by the TC; of the youth serviced 35 youth transitioned out of detention. The remaining 56 were out-of-custody/walk-ins. There were 99 referrals for services, 51 education, 25 Public Health, 18 Behavioral Health, 4 life coaching, and 1 employment. \$13,038 in concrete services were provided to youth.
  - Transition Center (TC) stats for February 2025: 50 youth were serviced by the TC; of the youth serviced 38 youth transitioned out of detention. Of the remaining 12 youth, 7 were out-of-custody/walk-ins. There were 94 referrals for services, 55 education, 26 Public Health, 8 Behavioral Health, 4 life coaching, and 1 employment. \$6,742 in concrete services were provided to youth.
- e. Social Services Mia Buckner-Preston
  - 1. The AC remains unopened. We have submitted floor plans of the new buildings for approval by an architect. The architect will assist in permitting sections of the property that previously did not have a permit.
  - 2. Once approved by the BOS, the fire alarm system will be installed on both properties. After installation, the appointment for fire clearance can be set. If we pass the fire clearance, we will be eligible for the provisional care license.
  - 3. Social service built up the housing options to compensate while the AC is nonoperational by partnering with provider within the county and neighboring counties.

#### 6. Public Comment

- a. None.
- 7. **Meeting adjourned** at 2:01 pm.
  - a. Next Meeting Wednesday, April 9, 2025.