



ALAMEDA COUNTY Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission

MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, October 12, 2022 | 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
ZOOM Teleconference

Commissioners Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Palagummi, Vamsey (Chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anderson, Louise | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mchombo, Pamela | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nunley, Patricia |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Metz, Elana (Vice Chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Galvis, George | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noma, Sally | <input type="checkbox"/> Peralta, Gina |
| Youth Commissioner: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larios, Xochtil | Member Emeritus: | <input type="checkbox"/> Nair, Kamal |

Collaborative Partners Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Badiy, Naseem, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Gold, Matthew, DA | <input type="checkbox"/> Ross, Javay, UCSF |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barton, Crystal, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gerchow, Christine, ACBH | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tate, Hattie, OUSD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Burke, Yasmin, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Konover, Kimberly, ACBH | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vaughan, Monica, ACOE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buckner-Preston, Mia, SSA-CWS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Long, Ian, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Walton, Robert, ACPD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chambers, Adrienne, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Mance, Al, Public Defender | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wegley, Rebecca, ACPD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crawford, Earl, ACOE | <input type="checkbox"/> McGuire, Tammy, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams, Shahidah, BOS |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dawal, Marcus, Interim Chief ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitchell, Alicia, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zambrana, Andrea, Conflict Attorney |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emmons, Craig, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pappas, Carissa, ACPD | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ford, Brian, Assistant Chief ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rivers, James, ACPD | |

Recorder: Shavers, Andrea, ACPD

I. Administrative Business

- 1. Call to Order:** Chair Palagummi called the meeting to order at **12:05** pm.
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Action to approve September 2022 Minutes**
Vice Chair Metz invited a motion to adopt the September 2022 minutes as circulated with the agenda.

MOTION: Vamsey Palagummi **Second:** Louise Anderson

AYES (Voice Vote): All Present

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION PASSED.

- 4. Update on Commission**

Commissioner Pamela Mchombo has retired from the commission effective this meeting. A new commissioner, Sally Noma will join the commission effective this meeting.

II. Education

General Announcement(s), Monica Vaughn

- Butler Academic Center's Matthew Campbell was nominated for Teacher of the Year in Alameda County.
- Former Physical Education (PE) Teacher Coach Joe Roberts passed way. He taught at Butler Academic Center from 2008 to 2018.
- There is a drastic increased need for Mental Health (MH) support for youth; there is a need for services recommended in Individual Education Plans (IEP) across the general education population.

Mental Health Update

1. Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE) has entered a direct contract with the East Bay Agency for Children (EBAC) for one (1) full-time equivalent (FTE).
2. EBAC is in the process of recruiting a MH Clinician dedicated to serving ACOE's students that have IEPs and counseling needs.

Graduates, Earl Crawford

1. There are four students that have completed all prerequisites to be deemed graduates.
2. Most youth graduate after completion of 130 credit, which is the state minimum requirement. Many students come with many credit deficiencies and work extremely hard to meet the state minimum.
3. The youths have a right not to graduate and continue their education then complete additional requirements to meet the regular graduation requirements of 220 credits.
4. The ACOE Court School DASS Graduation Rate in 2021 was 88.9%. The current report can be found on [CA Dashboard](#).

Intersession

1. Mr. Crawford has met with the following potential partners for the upcoming intersession. Additionally, the partners will be enlisted to aid in developing programs specific to the population.
 - a. Destiny Arts Center - the next meeting is scheduled for November 2022.
 - b. Zymbolic - their focus is social and emotional restorative justice for young people.
 - c. Alameda County Library - a current partner that is supporting literacy and reading.
2. The intersession program is not available to those on Secure Track. It is only for the high school population that has yet to graduate.
3. **Action:** JJPC will meet with Probation to discuss schedules and ensure all students are getting enough programming.

Questions / Statements & Responses

1. **Question:** How will EBAC work with Behavioral Health?
ACOE's Response: The clinician will primarily focus on the Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERHMS) needs of the IEP, behavioral intervention and the counseling needed to succeed in the classroom and school.
2. **Question:** Since there is not a winter intersession, when is the next intersession? What is the ACOE planning for the next intersession?
ACOE's Response: The next intersession is scheduled around Christmas and New Years' time to plan for the spring and summer of 2023.

III. Courts

Conflict Attorney Update, Andrea Zambrana

1. They are still searching for candidates for the Managing Social Worker position.
2. Recently a Social Worker was almost prevented from a contact visit because of the ongoing contraband issue.

Action: Ms. Zambrana will follow up with DC Long regarding the incident.

IV. Probation

General Updates, James Rivers

1. The grand jury will be onsite for a tour of the facility today beginning at 2 pm.
2. The Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR) has an upcoming scheduled site visit. Debra Lewis, the County Liaison and Angel Garcia, the Regional Specialist will meet with some JJC management on November 7, 2022. This visit is designed to build a relationship with the JJC around the program implementation of SB 823.
3. [Title 15 Regulations Revision](#) will be ratified tentatively in a year's time.
4. In-person programming, visiting, was reinstated for families and supportive persons.

Demographics

1. Number of youths at JJC – 71 (63 males, 8 females)
2. Number of youth age 14 and/or under – 2
3. Number of youths on GPS – 19 (15 males, 4 females)
4. Number of youths on Secure Track – 20
 - a. 11 youths are in Unit 1
 - b. 8 youths are in Unit 3
 - c. 1 youth is at Camp
5. Number of youths at Camp – 5
 - a. 4 youths are employed

SB 823 Update, Yasmin Burke

1. Since the last report in September, one (1) youth was released from Secure Track. His order was modified to a 4C order and was assigned to aftercare. He will continue to work with Regional Occupational Program (ROP) to receive support around employment and education.
2. One (1) youth was ordered to Secure Track by the court.
3. One (1) was stepped down to Camp. They are working at Amazon and are currently enrolled in an online course through Laney College.

Programming

1. Programming for Secure Track youths includes the following.
 - a. Family Spring is an intensive substance misuse program.
 - b. George Smith teaches life mapping and journaling.
 - c. True Academy focuses on anger management and gang intervention.
 - d. ROP provides culturally responsive Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT).
 - e. Youth Beat concentrates on multimedia arts.
 - f. Restore Our Communities (ROC) hosts a basketball clinic for Units 1 and 3 every Friday from 10:30 am to 11:30 am.
 - g. The cooking program is held each Wednesday from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Staff assist the youths preparing meals of their choice.

Questions / Statements & Responses

1. **Question:** What is the impact on transferring youth from the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) to the JJC, specifically the decrease in programming?
JJC's Response: The transition is challenged by the initial structure of the JJC which was not designed for long-term detention. JJC's future include building a fence around Camp to expand

Secure Track allowing youth the space to move around more and to enable the introduction of additional programming.

2. **Question:** Are there any short-term solutions to increase programming?

JJC's Response: Yes. Management is exploring step-down options such as Camp, resource family approvals (RFA), Short-term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP), home on GPS, release and more.

V. Medical & Behavioral Health

Medical Updates September 1 – 30, 2022, Kimberly Konover

1. 518 total medical encounters at the Fairmont Clinic.
2. 135 encounters with a physician including 23 history and physical
3. 29 dental encounters including 6 for treatments and 15 for screenings.
4. 76 nurse visits.

UCSF Contract Renewal

1. The Fairmont Clinic defers to UCSF Children's Hospital which provides the medical services at the JJC. The renewal contract with UCSF for the next year was signed and executed in September 2022.

Sleep Protocol Prototype Update

1. The new sleep protocol began last month. One (1) case so far. As of date, things are going well.

Guidance Clinic Updates September 1-30, 2022, Christine Gerchow

1. 102 referrals for regular intake and urgent intake.
2. 15 Crises.
3. 72 clients currently open to be seen by clinicians for regular therapy.
4. Two (2) Clinicians will begin their employment on October 17, 2022.
5. Behavioral Health is starting to plan for afterhours coverage tentatively to begin next year.

VI. Social Services

Assessment Center Update, Mia Buckner-Preston

Background Information: The Assessment Center provides 72-hour transitional care.

1. The State has provided directives for ongoing operations for the Assessment Center.
 - a. To reduce the reliance on the Assessment Center to provide long-term care. The state's goal is to reduce the number of youths experiencing transitional shelter.
2. 81 intakes in September. This is a significant increase from recent months. The quantity of intakes has resulted in a rise in overstays, which is stay beyond the allotted 72-hours. Youth that stay at the center for extended periods of time tend to have more incidents and challenges.
 - a. A good number of youths that entered in September have remained to present date.
 - b. There are six (6) youths that still require placement.
3. The number of youths Absent Without Leave (AWOL) has increased from 17% to 44 %.
4. 5150 holds have increased from 11.5% to 19%.
5. 66% of the September intakes were over the age of 14.
6. 71% of the September intakes were female over the age of 13.
7. Almost 90% of the September intakes were Change of Placement youths. These are youths that have had placement prior.
8. The center will be hiring an Activities Coordinator to meet the needs of the youths staying in the center longer. They will focus on outdoor and indoor programming.
9. The center will be providing Individual and Family Plan (IFP) to youths age 15 and above. This will allow them to have one-on-one meetings with an IFP coach. Additionally, this will create a connection to youths that are out-of-county.

VII. Commission Updates

1. Xochtil currently visit the JJC weekly on Wednesdays to serve the population in Unit 5. She frequently asked the group what they are interested in and want to learn about. They have reviewed and discussed the California tax revenue and the laws behind cannabis. They have learned that taxes collected are used for roads and schools. They have connected the dots of the schools receiving additional funds versus the schools facing closure for lack of funding.
2. The commission is considering creating a memorial space for youths that have passed away. All input is welcomed.

VIII. Public Comment

None currently.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9, 2022.

Location: Zoom Teleconference

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm.