



# ALAMEDA COUNTY Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, October 18, 2023 | 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM**  
**2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA 94578**  
**Room C-1002**  
**ZOOM Teleconference**

## **Commissioners Present:**

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

## **Collaborative Partners Present:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Badiey, Naseem, ACPD                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Emmons, Craig, ACPD                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Mitchell, Alicia, ACPD             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barton, Crystal, ACPD         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ford, Brian, Assist. Chief ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pappas, Carissa, ACPD   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Burke-Taylor, Yasmin, ACPD    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garcia, Lupe ACSC               | <input type="checkbox"/> Ross, Javay, ACPH                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buckner-Preston, Mia, SSA-CWS | <input type="checkbox"/> Gipson, Tiffany, DA                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tate, Hattie, OUSD      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cercone, Dante, ACPD          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gerchow, Christine, ACBH        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vaughan, Monica, ACOE   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conner, Shauna, ACPD          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gratz-Lazarus, Zach, CAAP       | <input type="checkbox"/> Walton, Robert, ACPD               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crawford Jr., Earl, ACOE      | <input type="checkbox"/> Jackson, Scott, ACSC                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wegley, Rebecca, ACPD   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donovan, Allyson, DA                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Konover, Kimberly, ACBH                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williams, Shahidah, BOS |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dawal, Marcus, Chief ACPD     | <input type="checkbox"/> Maemori, William, ACPD                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Wilson, Jacq, DA                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ebrahimi, John, ACPD          | <input type="checkbox"/> Mance, Al, Public Defender                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Zambrana, Andrea, CAAP             |

**Recorder:** Shavers, Andrea, ACPD

Bankhead, Teiahsha, RJOY

## **I. Administrative Business**

- 1. Call to Order:** Chair Palagummi called the meeting to order at **12:07 PM**.
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Action to Approve Minutes.**

Vice Chair Metz invited a motion to adopt the September 2023 minutes as circulated with the agenda.

**MOTION by:** Louise Anderson **Second by:** Xochtil Larios

**AYES (Voice Vote):** All Present

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**MOTION PASSED.**

- 4. Commission Update(s), Announcements and Comments:**
  - We welcome the new Commissioner Ethan Naziri; he was sworn in on October 18, 2023.
  - The December 20, 2023, meeting is cancelled. Tentatively, there may be an unofficial get-together for the holiday.
  - Chair Palagummi expressed appreciation to all the gracious responses to his email, specifically District Attorney Tiffany Gipson. He committed to leading by example as the Commission Chair and its partners have civil discourse.

## **II. Community-Based Organization Introduction:**

**Restorative Justice for Oakland Youth (RJOY), Teiahsha Bankhead Ph.D.**

- This community-based organization (CBO) is currently providing services to the youth in the JJC.

2. RJOY's mission is to increase mental health and wellness for underrepresented and Black and Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC) using restorative justice practices.
3. RJOY's Priority Areas
  - a. Reduce racism and related trauma and increase wellness in education and juvenile justice systems.
  - b. Justice Systems
  - c. Truth Telling, Racial Healing & Reparation
  - d. Community Restorative Justice
  - e. Consultation, Training & Education
4. Government funded programs are African American Healing Circles, Community Healing from Violence, Coming to the Table, Safe Outside the System (SOS), and Youth Internship Program.

### III. Partner Updates

#### Education

##### **Alameda County Office of Education, Monica Vaughn**

1. Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE) has established a New Career Education Department consisting of three staff.
  - a. Greg Cluster – all things career readiness related.
  - b. Romany Corella – works with all ACOE school programs including programs at the Juvenile Justice Center (JJC).
  - c. Kelly Sorbera – works exclusively with postgraduates at the JJC and Camp Sweeney.

##### **Oakland Unified School District, Hattie Tate**

2. Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) has implemented a new enrollment system, EnrollWise, over the summer. Each legal guardian is required to have a password and ID. This created a barrier for justice involved youth upon leaving. I have requested a kiosk to be placed in the Transition Center for my district, Oakland public and charter schools, for students when they leave court. Parents can then begin the enrollment process using the kiosk.

#### Probation

##### 1. General Updates – **John Ebrahimi**

On October 27, both Camp Sweeney and Juvenile Hall youth will participate in the Latino Heritage Day celebration at Juvenile Hall.

##### 2. Demographics Juvenile Hall

Number of youths in Juvenile Hall – 35; 31 are male and 4 are female.

##### 3. Demographics Secure Track – **Yasmin Burke**

Number of youths on Secure Track – 12

- a. 4 youth stepped down at Camp.
- b. 4 youth ordered by the court to Camp.
  - i. Camp Sweeney has 6 step-down youths.
  - ii. 2 youth committed from court.
- c. GPS – 25 are male and 2 are female.
  - Education – 4 are in High School and 9 are in college.

##### 4. Programming

- a. Raising Leaders begins its workshop program today in Unit 1.
- b. On October 24, youth that participated in Oakland Parks and Recreation Youth Development Job Skill Training program will graduate. These youth will be able to work at the golf course or in different Oakland Parks and Recreation locations.
- c. On November 3, there will be a Blue Water Sailing graduation.

#### Medical, Dr. Christine Gerchow

1. Medical numbers for September 1-30, 2023
  - a. 108 RN visits
  - b. 31 history and physical visits
  - c. 10 youth completed their optometry appointments.
  - d. 21 dental intakes
2. Youth can now opt to have the COVID-19 vaccine in the clinic.

#### Guidance Clinic, Dr. Christine Gerchow

1. Next month our provider will be here to give a presentation to this body on Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT).
2. Occupational Therapy (OT) will be a part of our triage for Serious Mental Illness (SMI).
3. For secure Track, we are creating a health service manual.
4. The Guidance Clinic welcomed two new staff.
5. Behavioral Health numbers for September 1-30, 2023
  - a. 125 total referrals in September
  - b. 18 crises
  - c. 51 intakes

#### Social Services, Mia Buckner-Preston

1. There were 87 intakes in the Assessment Center (AC) in September.
  - a. 80% were females and 20% were males.
  - b. There are 4 youth onsite. Two have been there well over 72 hours without any placement options.
  - c. There were 9 duplicate youth at the AC.
2. The AC and ACOE have partnered to have an Educational Advocate co-located at the AC. This allows the youth to continue their education.
3. The Assessment Center is further along in the approval process for the new AC locations. They will be moving into homes providing a home-like serene environment. The youth capacity will be 10.

#### Youth Advisory Council, Jessica Peregrina

The [YAC](#) is currently looking for two new council members to join the 2023-2024 term. We are hoping to recruit youth by the end of next week, October 20th. If you know any youth who would be interested, please share this [interest form](#); the deadline to apply is October 20, 2023. All council members are paid \$25 an hour.

## IV. Public Comment

None.

**Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15, 2023.**

**Location:** Hybrid meeting format.

In-person: Juvenile Justice Center, 2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA, Conference Room C1022  
Virtual: via Zoom.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.**