

# SACRAMENTO COUNTY JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION

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Carole D'Elia Chair

# JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION SUMMARY OF MINUTES April 15, 2014

**Present** Jane Claar Hillary Gaines Dr. Daniel Okada

Carole D'Elia Heyman Matlock Brian Lee

Frederick Mills Dr. Virginia Maulfair Gwendolyn Jackson Tucker

Jerry Flynn Meer Lihony

**Guests:** 

**Absent:** Caliph Assagai Dennis Dulay

## **Action**

#### 1. Call to Order:

A quorum was present. The meeting convened at 10:37 a.m.

**2. Approval of the Summary of Minutes**: Commissioner Okada motioned to accept the Summary of Minutes from the March meeting. Commissioner Maulfair seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by the Commission.

#### 3. Announcements:

- Probation Division Chief Brian Lee announced that he has been transferred to oversee Juvenile Field Services. Probation Division Chief Chris Johnson has been transferred to oversee Court and Placement Services. As a result, Chris Johnson will be attending the DPC meetings starting in May.
- Chair D'Elia announced that Commissioner Jackson-Tucker has been reappointed. Meer Lihony, the new youth commissioner was introduced.

## **Public Comment**

4. None

#### **Discussion**

5. The Commissioners reviewed the annual report and suggested removing the names of programs from the strategies section. Commissioners want to hear back from the people who have presented their programs to confirm they are effective before they endorse them. Chair D'Elia reiterated the goals for the commission for the upcoming year including keeping kids in school, truancy, and resurrecting Neighborhood Accountability Boards (NABs). Commissioner Jackson Tucker asked how much funding it would take to bring back the NABs. Brian stated the NABs worked best when there were probation officers assigned to manage and refer cases to the boards. So, probation officer support would be the main cost. Brian took the opportunity to update the Commission on

Title IV-E Claiming. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) conducted fiscal and programmatic review of Probation Department's Title IV-E claiming in two specific counties in Northern California. After these site visits, the federal government concluded that Title IV-E payments and the ability for California Probation Departments to claim for work done with the preplacement youth and those identified as reasonable candidates (reasonable candidates – absent services, the minor is at risk of being removed from the home and placed into foster care) would be frozen until CDSS and Probation address the issues identified in the site visit and submit a corrective action plan (CAP). To prepare for our future ability to claim for pre-placement youth (reasonable candidates) Sacramento began working with Justice Benefits Inc. (JBI) to train staff on how to time study and to identify those youth that are reasonable candidates along with preparing to deliver training relative to the CAP. JBI is currently working with approximately 12 other counties in California on their Title IV-E claiming. JBI and their training plan have been approved by the CDSS and the federal government. JBI will continue to train all probation staff that work with reasonable candidates along with training staff on the CAP which should be completed in May 2014. Probation is hoping to be able to back-claim to last October. However, at this point it looks like Probation will have a significant budget gap for the upcoming fiscal year as a result of the claiming issues. Commissioner D'Elia noted that Leataata Floyd Elementary has been working with restorative justice principals to reduce school suspensions and wondered if the Commission could assist in some way including advocating for similar approaches in other districts. Vice Chair Gaines suggested the education committee from the Juvenile Justice Commission could visit the schools and report out to the DPC. She also wondered if the information they bring back could inform some of the decisions for the Crossover Youth Practice Model (CYPM) project and requested a discussion on the CYPM at the next meeting. Brian announced that Probation will be working with Sacramento City Unified School District and the City of Sacramento Police Department's School Resource Officers to place two Probation Officers on campuses. Commissioners asked for a presentation on the City of Sacramento Police Department's School Resource Officers at a future meeting.

- **6.** The Youth Detention Facility Population Report discussion was postponed until the next meeting.
- 7. The new application for the Juvenile Justice Commission scholarship is nearly completed and will be emailed to commissioners and probation for distribution. Commissioner Gaines will add a statement regarding the planned discharge date for youth that are currently in custody.

# **Future Agenda Items**

- Crossover Youth Practice Model
- Report from the City of Sacramento Police Department on School Resource Officers

# NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.

Commissioner Claar motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mills seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:39.

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