

**Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC)
Date Meeting Minutes**

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Meeting: Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) Meeting

Date/Time of Meeting: Friday, May 31, 2019, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Location of Meeting: Liberty Community Plaza
14181 Telegraph Road, Whittier, CA 90604

Members Present = 21:

1. Marcus Castain, At-Large Community
2. Dr. John Connolly, Department of Public Health (DPH)
3. Johnnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 4
4. Hon. Peter Espinoza, Office of Youth Diversion and Development (OYDD)
5. Jewel Forbes, Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)
6. Jennifer Gowen, (Alternate for Christi Frey), Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (DA)
7. Dana Garcetti, Board of Supervisors (BOS), Representing Supervisor Janice Hahn, Board of Supervisor
8. Josh Green, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 3
9. Emilio Mendoza, Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)
10. Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, Probation Department, JJCC Chair
11. Lt. Joseph Nicassio, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD)
12. Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 1
13. Tricia Penrose, Juvenile Court
14. Winston Peters, Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office (PD)
15. Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community
16. Lourdes Caracoza, (Alternate for Diego Rodrigues), At-Large Community
17. Cesar Sanchez, Alternate Public Defender (APD)
18. Mercy Santoro, Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation (LACO Parks and Recreation)
19. Patricia Soung, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 2
20. Gail Blesi, (Alternate for Karen Streich), Department of Mental Health (DMH)
21. Anne Tremblay, City of Los Angeles, Mayor's Office

Minutes Prepared By: Sharon Hawkins

- I. **Welcome and Introduction** – Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell welcomed everyone and expressed that the JJCC Minutes are based on the Board of Supervisor's meeting minutes format.

In error, the recorder was not turned on until after the motion was made under section New Business, IV a i. The recording begins during JJCC members'

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discussion. Kim Bowman, FUSE Fellow, provided a synopsis of his presentation for the minutes and it is listed under Old Business.

II. Approval of Minutes – Approval of JJCC Meeting Minutes November 16, 2018

- a. Approval of JJCC Meeting Minutes (Revised) from March 18, 2019.
- b. Approval of JJCC Meeting Minutes from April 15, 2019.

Motion made by Patricia Soung, Non-Profit, CBO, District 2, seconded by Jewel Forbes, LACOE, regarding approval of both revised minutes from March 18, 2019 and minutes from April 15, 2019

Motion Passed

Ayes: Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, Probation Department, Dana Garcetti, BOS, Cesar Sanchez, APD, Emilio Mendoza, DCFS, Gail Blesi, (Alternate for Karen Streich), DMH, Jennifer Gowen, (Alternate for Christi Frey), DA, Tricia Penrose, Juvenile Court, Jewel Forbes, LACOE, Lt. Nicassio, LASD, Winston Peters, PD, Anne Tremblay, City of Los Angeles, Mayor's Office, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit, CBO, District 1, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit, CBO, District 2, Josh Green, Non-Profit, CBO, District 3, Dr. Denise Price, At-Large Community, Lourdes Caracoza (Alternate for Diego Rodrigues), At-Large Community, Marcus Castain, At-Large Community

No: None

Abstention: None

III. Old Business

- a. JJCC Ad Hoc Subcommittee updates.

Kim Bowman, FUSE Fellow, provided a synopsis of his presentation.

The Ad Hoc Sub-committee met on May 10, 2019 and via conference calls on May 21, 2019 and May 24, 2019 to make recommendations regarding the spending of Fiscal Year (FY)2019-2020 JJCPA growth funds. The Ad Hoc Sub-committee unanimously approved the *Proposed 2019-2020 JJCPA Growth Funds Spending Allocation, Part 1* during the May 24, 2019 meeting, recommending the allocation of \$5,658,564. The Sub-committee also discussed a general timeline from June-October 2019 to accomplish

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the other tasks approved by the JJCC at the April 15, 2019 JJCC meeting, as well as develop Part 2 of the FY 2019-2020 Growth Fund spending allocation proposal.

IV. New Business

- a. Presentation of Proposed 2019-2020 JJCPA Growth Funds Spending Allocation, Part 1.

i. Motion to Adopt 2019-2020 JJCPA Growth Funds Spending Allocation, Part 1.

Attachment: 2019-2020 JJCPA Growth Fund Allocation Recommendations Ad Hoc Sub-Committee

Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO, District 2, made the motion and 2nd made by Marcus Castain, At- Large Community.

Motion made (Recording not available)

Voter Comments: (Recording not available)

(Note: Recording available for the following portion of the meeting.)

Kim Bowman, FUSE Fellow, stated the Ad Hoc Sub-committee will schedule a meeting to consider best paths forward. Some programs were identified that appeared promising, however, they wanted to obtain more detailed proposals including timelines on money expenditure from the potential partners. The purpose of the Sub-Committee has been to do the vetting on behalf of JJCC. When the Sub-Committee provides a proposal to the JJCC, it is with the confidence that it would be a good idea. As an example, the final version of the document that was reviewed during the presentation, Part 1 of the spending plan, was unanimously approved by the sub-committee. In April, prior to the Base funded discussion, it too was also unanimously approved by the Taskforce. The Sub-committee would hear the second part of the budget and that would be prepared for the next JJCC meeting.

Voter Comments continued:

Unknown, JJCC member, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit, CBO, District 2, Josh Green, Non-Profit, CBO, District 3, Marcus Castain, At-Large Community, Johnie Drawn, Non-Profit CBO, District 4

Kim Bowman, FUSE Fellow, addressed a question regarding minutes for JJCC Ad-Hoc Sub-committee meetings. He indicated minutes are not taken

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as the Sub-committees not a Brown Act body. He stated the documents reviewed are shared documents viewed simultaneously and the Sub-committee makes live edits. He asked other Ad-Hoc members to speak about the meetings.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell stated she did not want to negate the work of the Sub-committee and those who volunteered. She stated a document can be attached to cover the rationale that speaks to the recommendations to provide more information.

Kim Bowman, FUSE Fellow, indicated item “c” of the agenda was the discussion for potential training topics for JJCC. He mentioned there are questions that might be best answered by County Counsel to help understand the parameters of JJCC. There are some questions as to appropriate role of the JJCC members and appropriate training topics for the upcoming August 2019 meeting. At that point, possibly a Rules and Process Sub-committee can review and develop something to be available moving forward for how the new JJCC would work.

Voter Comments continued:

Marcus Castain, At-Large Community

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, in response to a JJCC member statement, stated it would be breaking the rules as it is not an agenda item. She stated it should be agendized at a future JJCC meeting.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, Probation Department, Dana Garcetti, BOS, Cesar Sanchez, APD, Emilio Mendoza, DCFS, Gail Blesi, (Alternate for Karen Streich), DMH, Dr. John Connolly, DPH, Jennifer Gowen, (Alternate for Christi Frey), DA, Tricia Penrose, Juvenile Court, Mercy Santoro, LACO Parks and Recreation, Jewel Forbes, LACOE, Lt. Nicassio, LASD, Hon. Peter Espinoza, OYDD, Winston Peters, PD, Anne Tremblay, City of Los Angeles, Mayor’s Office, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO, District 1, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO, District 2, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, Johnnie Drawn, Non-Profit CBO, District 4, Dr. Denise Price, At-Large Community, Lourdes Caracoza, (Alternate for Diego Rodrigues), At-Large Community, Marcus Castain, At-Large Community

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No: None

Abstention: None

- b. Presentation of contracting processes for programs and services administered by Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services and the Arts Commission.

- i. Workforce and Development Aging and Community Services (WDACS) Presentation.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell introduced WDACS, however, they did not attend to provide the presentation. Jennifer Kaufman, Senior Director, Probation Department, provided information after the Arts Commission Presentation.

- ii. Arts Commission Presentation.

Gregg Johnson, from Arts Education Collective, from the Education Division of the Los Angeles County Arts Commission, presented on how contract funds will be spent as part of their JJCPA Base Line Budget Allocation. They are in 22 locations and they are developing partnerships with other County agencies. They are in the process of implementing Healing Informed Art Embedded Systems of Care. Their draft process timeline includes guidelines in place for distributed during the Summer of 2019, the application and adjudication process to be completed in the Fall of 2019 and services to begin January 21, 2020.

Jennifer Kaufman, Senior Director, Probation Department stated Ms. Dubie is over the Transitional Age Youth (TAY) programs for WDACS. They met with the High Risk High Needs Employment Providers to discuss the process since it would be going through WDACS. What they have available is on their website, which is a Social Enterprise Master Service Agreement (MSA). The process would be going through the Economic Workforce to be licensed as a social enterprise and then would submit a proposal to become a MSA agency. At that point, any work orders would be released and those on the MSA would be able to apply for funding.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell asked if the voting members had questions for the Arts Commission.

Voter Comments:

Anne Tremblay, City of Los Angeles, Mayors' Office

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Public Comment

A question from the audience, Carol Biondi

Gregg Johnson, Arts Commission, replied they were attempting to ensure the services are of high quality and from those with high credentials. They have the funding for an independent evaluation and the need to have professionals for the evaluations. He also indicated the new communications director will be posting on their newly designed webpage.

Voter Comments continued:

Johnie Drawn, Non-Profit CBO, District 4, Mercy Santoro, LACO Parks and Recreation, Lourdes Caracoza, (Alternate for Diego Rodrigues, At-Large Community), Unknown JJCC Member, Jewel Forbes, LACOE, Anne Tremblay, City of Los Angeles, Mayor's Office

Gregg Johnson, Arts Commission, responded to the questions and indicated based upon the Arts for Incarcerated Youth Network (AIYN) concept that was a consortium organization to provide year around variety of art forms. As time progressed, they initiated work with Spirit Awakenings and Drumming for Your Life. He replied to the questions and stated the vision is to have one (1) standardized set of instruments for everyone to amalgamate data for a cohesive set of results. He replied the partnership with DMH and DPH to work in communities and on intergenerational and school-based project outreach.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell stated probation was selected to have an artist in residence because Probation wanted to understand the nexus of art and juvenile justice. She stated the Department is grateful for the artist in residence who would be able to help Probation and will work with Gregg Johnson and others collaboratively. We want to be able to quantify the value of this work.

Gregg Johnson, Arts Commission stated notification would occur the same way they have in the past and through the website. All the usual communications protocols and instruments would be employed. The timeline will be Fall 2019, with services to begin January 2020.

Public Comment:

Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department, stated Public Comment was announced and indicated one (1) public comment card was received;

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she asked whether there would be any additional comment cards. An attendee commented they would also submit one (1).

Public Comments by:

Whitney Wakimoto, Jerrilynn Bossett

Gregg Johnson, Arts Commission replied they are attempting to provide healing informed, art embedded systems of care that will be open to all CBOs and artists. They are working with youth who are traumatized and provide evidence that having a constructive, positive interaction with a caring adult will have a profound and transformative affect.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell informed Gregg Johnson that when they have information available regarding the solicitation and grant, Probation would be able to send it out based upon the robust email list of the JJCC roster.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, as a clarification, called attention to the top of the JJCC Agenda and read from the top paragraph regarding when members of the public may address the JJCC on its item of interest, by submitting a public comment card, prior to the agendized item of discussion. A question arose from the audience asking why public comment was not called for speakers under item IV a.; as no public comment cards were received prior to the agendized item discussion, no call for speakers were made for the item.

c. Discussion of Potential Training Topics for Future JJCC Meetings.

Kim Bowman, FUSE Fellow, stated he created a list and the notes were either raised in the meeting or the Sub-committee meetings. 1: how may the JJCC advertise, receive and consider proposed programs. 2: examples of conflict of interests and what to do if one is presented. 3: Any potential updates to the organizational rules or the formation of a process with understanding it may involve the Board of Supervisors. 4: Meeting attendance requirements and the proxy process. Those were the four (4) broad topics brought up at the meeting or previous meetings, or Sub-committee meeting. He asked JJCC members for other training topics they wanted to consider.

Voter Comments:

Josh Green, Non-Profit, CBO, District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit, CBO, District 3, Tricia Penrose, Juvenile Court, Johnie Drawn, Non-Profit, CBO,

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District 4, Anne Tremblay, City of Los Angeles, Mayor's Office, Josh Green, Non-Profit, CBO, District 3, Tricia Penrose, Juvenile Court, Mercy Santoro, LACO Parks and Recreation, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO, District 2

Kim Bowman, FUSE Fellow, stated there would be two (2) different types of training including: those given to the JJCC for their edification and use, and those given on how sub-contracting works. Also, receiving training from County Counsel about what they are allowed and not allowed to do. They can then create a sub-committee to put together a set of proposals within the allowable space. JJCC specific training may include, a series of infrastructure proposals and a possible list of additional topics.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell stated in 2018 the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) was formed so they do not want to duplicate the role of the body that is in place. We might want to call out exactly what the purpose and the role of that body. In terms of the left/right bounds and including conflict of interest, she stated it would be important for the entire JJCC to hear the training because those are things that affect the entire body.

Kim Bowman, FUSE, Fellow, asked if Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell's point was that those questions about how contracting work would be a function of the CAC, not specifically a training for the JJCC.

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, stated no, she was indicating contracts are available and posted on the Probation website and the County has a process and no need to reinvent that process. She was more in agreement that the things Josh mentioned that community interest and that is the role of the CAC that was approved within the last year or two.

Public Comment:

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, announced a speaker card for Carol Biondi and indicated they were on item IV c.

Carol Biondi

Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, replied to public statement that was not what she said and read specifically what the first paragraph agenda said, which was submitting a card prior to the item being called and they were on item IV c. Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, offered if she wanted to address item IV c.

Public Comment Continued by:

Natasha Khamashta

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Chief Deputy Sheila Mitchell, stated that concluded the agenda and thanked everyone, and meeting was adjourned.

- V. Adjournment** – Meeting Adjourned at 12:01 P.M.