

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE JOINT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND THE SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION



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> THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2024 9:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

AUDIO/VIDEO FILE FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING

Attachment: Video

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- Call to Order/Welcome
 - Sean Kennedy, Chair, Los Angeles County Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission (COC)
 - Eduardo Mundo, Chair, Los Angeles County Probation Oversight Commission (POC)

Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 9:35 am and explained the role of the Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission (COC).

Chair Mundo explained the role of the Probation Oversight Commission (POC) and highlighted the agenda items for today.

- 2. Public Comment Rules
 - Commission Staff Tracy Jordan (COC)

COC Principal Staff Analyst Jordan explained the public comment rules in English and POC Executive Director, Wende Julien, explained the public comment rules in Spanish.

- 3. Roll Call
 - Commission Staff Tracy Jordan (COC)

Principal Staff Analyst Jordan conducted the roll call for the COC:

Present: Commissioner Irma Hagans Cooper, Commissioner Luis S. Garcia, Commissioner

James P. Harris, Commissioner Hans Johnson, and Chair Sean Kennedy

Absent: Commissioner Robert Bonner, Commissioner Jamon R. Hicks, and Commissioner

Patricia Giggans

Principal Staff Analyst Jordan conducted the roll call for the POC:

Present: Commissioner Franky Carrillo, Commissioner Sean Garcia-Leys, Commissioner

Milinda Kakani, Commissioner Samuel Lewis, Commissioner Donald D. Meredith,

and Chair Eduardo Mundo

Absent:

Commissioner Dolores Canales, Commissioner Esché L. Jackson, Commissioner Diane Terry

II. EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 1. School Resource Deputies (SRD)
 - A. Presentations on the SRD complaint process
- "Research, Analysis, and Recommendations from the COC" (Tracy Jordan, Principal Staff Analyst, COC)

Principal Staff Analyst Jordan gave a presentation, which is attached to the agenda.

Commissioner Johnson joined the meeting at 10:05 am.

 "Overview of the SRD Complaint Process" (Wendelyn Julien, Executive Director, POC and Dawnnesha Smith, Project Director, POC)

Executive Director Julien gave a brief background on the SRD complaint process and explained the attached Board motion.

POC Project Director Smith provided an overview of the SRD complaint process, which is attached to the agenda.

B. Discussion on the proposed process for the Probation Oversight Commission to receive and refer complaints about Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) School Resource Deputies (SRD) to LASD and track those complaints to share trends with the Board of Supervisors and the public.

In response to Commissioner Cooper's inquiry about tracking and addressing complaints about SRDs, Project Director Smith mentioned that the Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system will be equipped to collect and filter data based on the desired reports.

POC Commissioner Carrillo joined the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

POC Executive Director Julien responded to Commissioner Johnson's inquiry about reasons the POC could not provide information or maintain the ability to exert oversight of the case facts and complaint dispositions. Ms. Julien clarified that based on the suggested amendments to the POC's ordinance, the POC would be limited in its authority to access information, therefore suggesting a need for a legislative change.

Commissioner Johnson inquired if there were ways to redact confidential information from reports provided to the POC and urged the POC to push to the fullest extent possible to access confidential information.

Chair Kennedy expressed his concerns with the LASD sharing information and the challenges associated with overlapping oversight of the LASD, all while explaining the roles of the COC, the OIG, and the Sybil Brand Commission.

Commissioner Harris recommended an ordinance change regarding having access to all complaints including those about SRDs.

Executive Director Julien responded to Commissioner Garcia's concerns and discussed efforts to avoid duplication of complaint processes and the POC's goal to create a youth and family focused process.

In response to Commissioner Johnson's inquiry about whether complaints submitted directly to LASD would also be tracked, Ms. Julien confirmed that the LASD does not report separately on SRD complaints, so the POC reports would not include those complaints.

Commissioner Lewis left the meeting at 10:45 am.

Commissioner Meredith referenced what he believed to be a good SRO program to serve as model for the SRD process.

Commissioner Garcia-Leys expressed concerns with misconceptions that these POC authority changes are intended to alleviate the school to prison pipeline.

Commissioner Kakani highlighted concerns with agencies investigating themselves and concerns for the outcomes of youth and their families.

Commissioner Johnson highlighted that the category "sustained" should be included on the LASD's dashboard.

Commissioner Cooper expressed concerns with cohesiveness in tracking the complaints. Ms. Julien ensured that the POC will be using the LASD reference numbers, which will also be uploaded onto the LASD complaint portal.

Chair Kennedy inquired if any attention will be given to deputy gang members being assigned as SRDs in the schools.

Six public commenters addressed the POC and COC.

By Common Consent, there being no objections, the POC and COC recessed for ten minutes.

Attachments: Supporting Documents

BOS Motion

POC's Drafted SRD Process

COC's Report & Recommendations on SRD Program

OIG's School Climate and Safety Report Public Comment/Correspondence

2. General LASD Complaint Process

A. Presentation on the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (LASD) complaint process.

Representatives from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD)

Lieutenant Thomas V. Kim from the Risk Management Bureau of the LASD and Captain Geoffrey Deedrick from the Community Partnerships Bureau of the LASD presented on the LASD complaint process. The presentation is attached to the agenda.

Captain Deedrick responded to Commissioner Kakani's inquiries about the roles of unit and watch commanders. Captain Deedrick also confirmed that the complaint process is time consuming because complaints can be circulated through several levels in the chain of command prior to being addressed.

In response to Commissioner Garcia-Leys' inquiry about complaints from a person who has an open case, Captain Deedrick confirmed that the complaints are usually from people who have open cases.

Commissioner Carrillo inquired about the timeframes for processing complaints. Captain Deedrick shared that the complaints do not have expiration dates, and 80% of the complaints are filed over the phone.

Commissioner Cooper raised questions about the Disposition/Findings slide (page 7).

Commissioner Harris clarified the meaning of "sustained."

Chair Kennedy emphasized the need for transparency and ongoing communication with the public and person who filed complaint.

Three public commenters addressed the POC and COC.

Attachments: Supporting Documents

Sheriff Complaint Data Dashboard
Public Comment/Correspondence

III. MISCELLANEOUS

There were no items to be placed on a future agenda.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was one public comment addressed the POC and COC.

Attachments: Public Comment/Correspondence

V. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment for the joint special meeting of June 27, 2024.

On motion by Commissioner Kakani, seconded by Commissioner Meredith, unanimously carried (Commissioners Canales, Jackson, and Lewis being absent), the POC adjourned the meeting at 1:05 p.m.