

**Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC)
Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
Friday, February 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

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Meeting: Community Advisory Committee Meeting (CAC)

Date/Time of Meeting: February 26, 2020, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location of Meeting: Virtual Meeting - WebEx

Members Present = 12:

1. Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 4
2. R. Michael Dutton, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 5
3. Tom Faust, (Alternate Sharon Harada), Acting Chief Deputy, Probation Department
4. Gloria Janet Gonzalez, At-Large Community Representative
5. Josh Green, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 3 (JJCC-CAC Chair)
6. Jeanette Lomeli, At-Large Community Representative
7. Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative
8. Juan Navarro, Non-Profit Community-Based Drug and Alcohol Provider
9. Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 1
10. Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community Representative
11. Diego H. Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative
12. Patricia Soung, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO), District 2 **Audio Time stamp: 00:10-3:20**

Minutes Prepared By: Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department

I. Call to Order and Roll Call of JJCC-CAC Voting Members

Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department, called the meeting to order and indicated that the agenda included information on the public comments process during the live meeting. **Audio Time stamp: 00:10-3:20**

II. Welcome and Introductions

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, welcomed everyone, thanked other JJCC members for attending and noted there were approximately 50 people in the meeting. The agenda included a presentation from the Burns Institute on Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Transition and Youth Justice Reimagined, to be followed by the Probation Department's presentation on the update on the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) Ad-Hoc Subcommittee and DJJ Transition. Following the presentations, opportunities would be provided for the JJCC-CAC

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members including questions and dialogue to be followed by public comment.

Audio Time stamp: 3:21-4:40

III. Approval of JJCC-CAC October 27, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Attachment: Handout: JJCC-CAC Draft Meeting Minutes - (10-27-20)

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, introduced agenda item III. **Audio Time stamp: 4:41-4:49**

Motion to approve the JJCC-CAC October 26, 2020 Meeting Minutes made by Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO, District 4, 2nd by Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO, District 2 Audio Time stamp: 4:55-5:09

CAC Member Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Ayes: Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, Tom Faust, (Alternate Sharon Harada), Acting Chief Deputy, Probation Department, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO, District 1, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO, District 2, Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO, District 4, Michael R. Dutton, Non-Profit CBO, District 5, Diego H. Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative, Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community Representative, Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative, Jeanette Lomeli, At-Large Community Representative

No: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Passed Audio time stamp: 5:51-7:31

IV. Unfinished Business

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, stated no unfinished business to address. **Audio time stamp: 7:32-8:09**

V. New Business

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, introduced the next agenda item regarding the Burns Institute presentation on the Youth Justice Reimagined report and recommendation adopted by the Board of Supervisors (Board) in 2020. He took a moment to thank the Burns Institute team, those in attendance and those who

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participated in the Youth Justice Work Group (YJWG) that included County departments and community members. He introduced Tshaka Barrow, Executive Director and Laura Ridolfi, Director of Policy, from the Burns Institute. **Audio time stamp: 8:10-9:16, 52:38-53:14**

a. Burns Institute Presentation of Youth Justice Reimagined

Tshaka Barrows, Executive Director, indicated they were honored to participate in the process and were the lead facilitators for the Youth Justice Work Group (YJWG) which included an entire process that involved reimagining the experience for young people absent the punishment model. He provided an overview of the Board Motion of May 26, 2020, DJJ Transition. After Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill (SB) 823, they pivoted to create a DJJ Transition model. They gathered a group of stakeholders, began meeting and set out to build on the vision of the YJWG. As part of their work they established a foundation of core values. **Audio time stamp: 9:17-16:22, 24:43-28:00, 39:01-40:42, 45:28-46:49, 48:07-48:14, 50:29-52:07, 54:04-54:14**

Laura Ridolfi, Director of Policy, from the Burns Institute stated that the Board Motion elements covered by Tshaka Barrows, Executive Director were intended to happen under the auspices of the YJWG. The Board's motion specifically said that that group was best equipped to plan for the closure of DJJ in a way that was consistent with and informed by the ongoing work to reimagine youth justice. She stated they met between June 2020 and held their last workgroup meeting on November 30, 2020. Their work included multiple meetings and learning exchanges prior to the completion of the report. Shortly after the last workgroup meeting, the DJJ Transition Team report was submitted to the Chief Executive's Office (CEO). On February 9, 2021, the BOS passed a motion that the JJCC subcommittee designated under SB 823 should consider, and where appropriate, incorporate the recommendations from the report. The Board Motion included specific County departments and community members to be included in the DJJ Transition team. The DJJ Transition team was formed to discuss and envision an approach to healing for young people who are accused of more serious offenses that was in line with the reimagined youth justice body of work. **Audio time stamp: 16:23-20:10, 28:01-31:33, 41:49-42:22**

Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO, District 2, discussed how the DJJ Transition Team fit under the YJWG. She stated the JJCC had recently formed a subcommittee to make recommendations on the implementation of DJJ alternatives in Los Angeles County. She stated they wanted to

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ensure everyone was familiar with the work already completed. Because of the ambitious timeline, there was a thinking that the transition team was embedded in the larger reform work happening in the County and it would do some of the initial work and make a set of recommendations that would then be passed to the next committee. **Audio time stamp: 20:11-22:07, 31:34-39:00, 48:15-50:26, 52:08-52:33**

Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative, stated that a DJJ Youth Advisory body was created to ensure that the DJJ Transition Team centered youth voices and leadership in reimagining these alternatives to DJJ. Their work included 9 youth listening sessions. The goal of the body was to 1) discuss and develop recommendations based on their own personal lived experiences and; 2) to highlight issues in response to the DJJ Transition Team's discussions. **Audio time stamp: 22:08-24:41**

CAC Member Discussion: Tom Faust, (Alternate Sharon Harada), Acting Chief Deputy, Probation Department, Tom Faust, (Alternate Sharon Harada), Acting Chief Deputy, Probation Department, Gloria Janet Gonzalez, At-Large Community Representative, Michael R. Dutton, Non-Profit CBO, District 5, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO, District 1, Gloria Janet Gonzalez, At-Large Community Representative **Audio time stamp: 41:05-41:48, 42:23-42:44, 43:10-43:22, 43: 30-44:34, 44:37-45:26, 46:53-48:07, 53:15-54:03**

Public Comment: Nicole Brown, Oscar Canales, Jessica Corde, Oscar Bonilla, Ruth Tyson, Cookie Lommel, Tricia Penrose, Lawanda Hawkins, Sophia Cristo, Victoria Wahbah, Malinda Kakani, Ronaldo Villeda, Ernesto Sandoval, Ezekiel Nishiyama, Kenzo Sohoue, Alex Cina **Audio time stamp: 56:38-59:25, 1:03:5-1:05:28, 1:07:28-1:09:47, 1:11:25-1:14:31, 1:16:16-1:17:47, 1:19:13-1:21:11, 1:21:53-1:22:49, 1:24:05-1:27:01, 1:28:55-1:30:30, 1:31:01-1:32:33, 1:33:48-1:35:18, 1:36:38-1:37:44, 1:38:15-1:40:20, 1:44:30-1:46:25, 1:47:37-1:49:58, 1:51:30-1:53:06**

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, thanked the young people that have lived through the facilities and circumstances that were discussed. He appreciated those who shared perspectives, including union representatives, who appeared to share the same desire for safety of the youth and staff in facilities. He also thanked the Burns Institute team for their work. **Audio time stamp: 1:53:18-1:55:40**

- b. SB 823, Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) Process and Timeline

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Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, introduced the next agenda item and Tom Faust, (Alternate Sharon Harada), Acting Chief Deputy, Probation Department, to present. **Audio time stamp: 1:55:41-1:55:51**

Sharon Harada, (Alternate for Tom Faust, Acting Chief Deputy), provided a Power Point presentation. She stated SB 823 was signed by Governor Newsom on September 30, 2021 and as of July 1, 2021, the State would no longer accepting intake of youth at in DJJ. SB 823, 1991 (a) and (b) were of interest to the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) Ad-Hoc Subcommittee regarding planning and funding. SB 823,1991 (a) included the allocation amounts set aside by the State from the General Fund for all counties and is listed by Fiscal Year. On January 14, 2021, the JJCC passed a Resolution to form the JJRBG Ad-Hoc Subcommittee. The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee would work to complete the SB 823 Plan for FY 2021-2022. She read SB 823 1995(a) that delineated the JJCC Ad-Hoc Subcommittee composition and what SB 823, 1995 (a)-(g) required regarding the JJCC Ad-Hoc Subcommittee developing the Annual Plan. The finalized Plan for FY 2021-2022 would be presented to the JJCC and attached to the 120 Day BOS Report Back due on June 9, 2021. The Plan for FY 2022-2023 would be submitted for JJCC-CAC input in June, then to JJCC Meeting in August and sometime in October, would be submitted to the Board of Supervisors. The SB 823 Plan would be submitted to new State Office of Youth and Community Restoration prior to the deadline of January 1, 2022. **Audio time stamp: 1:55:52-2:02:30**

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, indicated the community members of the JJRBG Ad-Hoc Subcommittee are the conduit to provide community feedback regarding the Plan. He announced that Public Comments would be reduced to 90 seconds per person, in that they were beyond the scheduled meeting timeframe. **Audio time stamp: 2:02:31-2:05:57**

Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department, informed Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, that 12 public comments had been received. **Audio time stamp: 2:02:31-2:05:57**

(JJCPA Administration Notes: Each of those listed for public comments were contacted. Several, when reached during the meeting, informed Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department, that they had already made their public comments. Three attempts were made to reach the last listed caller,

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which resulted in a voice message, and Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department, informed Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, that it was the last public comment and that she would be sending out the written public comments for the agenda item.)

Public Comment: Kenzo Sohoue, Nicole Brown, Jessica Corde, Oscar Bonilla, , Lawanda Hawkins, Eden Madrid *Audio time stamp: 2:09:08-2:10:44, 2:11:14-2:12:31, 2:14:46-2:16:30, 2:16:50-2:19:37, 2:21:30-2:21:51, 2:23:03-2:24:35, 2:29:18-2:30:26*

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, indicated that he didn't know if anything could be done to repair the harm that Jessica, her family, and son experienced. He stated he heard a lot of agreement in the space that everyone is working to identify a system that can contribute to healing the pain and trauma that lead to those types of outcomes. *Audio time stamp: 2:36:04-2:37:14*

VI. Other Matters/Public Comment

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, District 3, introduced Agenda Item VI, and upon being informed of no public comment, he thanked everyone, and the meeting was adjourned. *Audio time stamp: 2:37:15-2:38:08*

Public Comment: None

VII. Adjournment – Meeting Adjourned at 4:42 P.M.