

**Los Angeles County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council -
Community Advisory Committee
Thursday, October 27, 2022, Meeting Minutes**

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Meeting: Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council - Community Advisory Committee Meeting (JJCC-CAC)

Date/Time of Meeting: Thursday, October 27, 2022, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Location of Meeting: Virtual Meeting - WebEx

Members Present:

1. Adam Bettino, Chief Deputy, Probation Department (JJCC Chair)
2. Josh Green, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 3 (JJCC-CAC Chair)
3. Alexis Hernandez, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 4
4. Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative
5. Juan Navarro, Non-Profit Community-Based Drug and Alcohol Provider
6. Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 1
7. Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community Representative
8. Diego H. Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative
9. Dr. Nicole Vienna, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 5 **Audio Time Stamp: 12:06-14:09**

Not Present: 1. Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 2; 2. Gloria Janet Gonzalez, At-Large Community Representative; 3. Jeanette Lomeli, At-Large Community Representative

Minutes Prepared By: Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department

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

(JJCPA Administration Note: Prior to the Roll Call, JJCPA Administration provided information regarding the process to make a public comment. The audience was directed to the Notice and Agenda that included the process to provide public comments during the live virtual meeting. Additionally, recurring issues were covered to provide clarity and assist those wishing to make a public comment.) **Audio Time Stamp: 09:51-12:05**

(JJCPA Administrative Note: The JJCC Draft Meeting Minutes retained the Agenda Items in chronological order. Due to the time constraints of the Presenter

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for Agenda Item IV. a., the Item was taken out of order. JJCPA Administrative Notes have been added to provide assistance.)

II. Welcome and Introductions

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, welcomed everyone. He indicated they would be moving to Agenda Item IV. a. (New Business) and taking it out of Agenda order to assist the presenter due to her time constraints to be present during the meeting. **Audio Time Stamp: 14:10-15:15**

(JJCC Administrative Note: Due to one of the Presenter's time constraints, JJCC-CAC Chair, called for Agenda Item IV, a., out of order, to afford the JJCC-CMJJJ Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Co-Chair the opportunity to provide their presentation prior to Agenda Item III a. The JJCC Draft Meeting Minutes retained the Agenda order for consistency.)

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a. Approval of the JJCC-CAC Draft Meeting Minutes, May 12, 2022

Attachment: Handout: JJCC-CAC Draft Meeting Minutes (5-12-22) - (On JJCC-CAC Agenda 10-27-22)

Motion to approve the Minutes made by Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, 2nd by Diego Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative Audio Time Stamp: 50:21-50:33, 50:38-50:44

JJCC-CAC Member Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Ayes: Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, Adam Bettino, Chief Deputy, Probation Department, Juan Navarro, Non-Profit Community-Based Drug and Alcohol Provider, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 1, Dr. Nicole Vienna, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 5, Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community Representative, Diego Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative, Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative

No: None

Abstention: None

Motion Passed Audio Time Stamp: 52:00-53:52

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IV. New Business

a. JJCC-CMJJJ Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Process Update

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, indicated the agenda item would be taken out of order and it was heard prior to Agenda Item III. a.

He provided a reminder that the JJCC-Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan (CMJJJ) Ad-Hoc Subcommittee were in the process of updating the existing FY 2022-23 CMJJJ.* The second phase of the JJCC-CMJJJ Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's work entailed the review of possible funding allocation recommendations which would be presented to the JJCC for discussion and approval. He introduced Mercy Santoro, LACO Parks and Recreation, JJCC-CMJJJ Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Co-Chair, to provide the update. Upon completion of Mercy Santoro's update, he opened it up to questions and comments from the JJCC-CAC Members. He stated that a goal was to try to figure out how to obtain more substantive information around the spending allocations to the JJCC-CAC and to the JJCC. He again asked for any feedback from JJCC-CAC members and followed by requesting if there were any public comments on the item. **Audio Time Stamp: 15:16-15:53, 26:02-26:50,26:55-27:11, 27:17-28:38, 29:12-29:27, 29:39-30:00**

(JJCPA Administration Note: *The update of the FY 2022-23 CMJJJ would become the Draft FY 2023-24 CMJJJ.)

Mercy Santoro, Los Angeles County Department (LACO) Parks and Recreation, JJCC-CMJJJ Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Co-Chair, began her presentation. During her presentation, a PowerPoint was shown on screen. She indicated JJCC-CMJJJ Ad-Hoc Subcommittee was a Subcommittee under the JJCC and met multiple times throughout the year to update the draft CMJJJ. She stated they were in the process of updating the FY 2023-24 CMJJJ. As a slide was shown on screen, she recited the Mission of the CMJJJ: "To improve youth and family wellness and community safety by increasing equitable investments in and access to opportunities to strengthen resiliency and reduce delinquency."

She moved on to the following slide that was shown on screen. The slide listed the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee membership. * She stated she wanted to reassure the JJCC-CAC that the JJCC-CMJJJ Ad-Hoc Subcommittee is very invested in continuously improving the process of updating the CMJJJ. Additionally, they are ensuring that they interface and interact with the JJCC-CAC by reviewing the Survey (Youth Service Needs Assessment Survey) and utilizing it to inform

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need and funding decisions and collaborating with the JJCC-CAC. As an Ad-Hoc Subcommittee, they also ensure during their review and editing of the Draft CMJJP, that the JJCC-CAC are provided an opportunity to interface with it as well as the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's funding recommendations. She stated as they move through their timeline and process, the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee would be checking in with Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO, Supervisorial Representative District 3, as he also serves on the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee. Additionally, the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee would be circling back to ensure there is dialogue and engagement between the JJCC-CAC and the JJCC as the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee makes investments in the continuum of care for youth.

She gave a summary of their timeline by stating they began their work in Spring 2022, by reviewing the FY 2022-23 CMJJP to include important updates. Annually, the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee has worked to continuously improve the process annually. They are consistent in terms of analyzing areas to include greater transparency and consistency regarding funding request reviews and the information requested. Additionally, they review how the funding request submissions are reviewed and scored and how they can consider a lineup of funding request submissions against the CMJJP to ensure we consider the proposals reflect and matched against the CMJJP. This is an effort to ensure the document reflects the needs of youth and their families in a collaborative, transparent manner. Additionally, at the forefront of their thinking is to build and sustain the continuum of care for services. She stated there is more information available based upon the annual JJCC Evaluator's Gap Analysis (RAND Corp.). Based upon the Gap Analysis report, they have been able to improve the CMJJP process to include their recommendations. Positive Youth Development was a critical pillar of their work to ensure programs chosen for funding have a Positive Youth Development focus. Additionally, they realized that it was important to add more lenses to their work. Diversity, equity and inclusion lens were applied in their thinking and during their deliberations. Additionally, the process includes a Trauma Informed framing to ensure their work upon reviewing funding requests, then ensure the requests reflect that they deliver services through a strength-based model. She stated they were considering the shifting context of the new Department of Youth Development and were closely monitoring and considering those areas.

She stated that in a review of the current FY 2023-24 CMJJP Steps, the timeline included providing an update during the December 13, 2022, JJCC-CAC meeting to cover the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee funding recommendations. This would be a new Step that was added in the FY 2023-24 CMJJP. She stated they were currently reviewing the funding requests and

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there were Subcommittee teams formed to report out to the Subcommittee regarding the funding requests. They were due to complete their review process sometime in November, as they prepared to complete the Draft CMJJP to present it during the December 6, 2022, JJCC meeting. **Audio Time Stamp: 15:54-26:01**

(JJCPA Administration Note: *Mercy Santoro mentioned the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee members that was also shown on screen. Membership: Adam Bettino, Probation Department, Karen Streich, DMH, Luis Rodriguez, PD's Office, Tricia Penrose, Superior Court, Tapau Osborne, LACOE, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3)

JJCC-CAC Member Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

- b. JJCC Consultant (Health Management Associates (HMA)) Report Back and Update on the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's Work

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, introduced the agenda item and welcomed Carol Clancy, HMA. He stated HMA was present to provide a report back and an update on the JJCC-Governance and Procedure Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's work. He provided historical context by stating the request to create the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee emerged from the JJCC-CAC as a goal to improve process efficiency and to think about how to solicit community feedback as well as how different subcommittees operate. Upon completion of Carol Clancy's presentation, he stated the space was originally generated as a place for community input. He was interested in what CAC members had thoughts about the space (JJCC-CAC) and its value and/or role. **Audio Time Stamp: 30:31-31:46, 38:39-40:05**

Carol Clancy, HMA, stated she last presented during the May 12, 2022, JJCC-CAC meeting and provided a brief overview. She stated at that point, she covered what they were doing and what they planned on doing and that they had not held their one-day Process Improvement Event. She stated they had conducted a JJCC survey and had conducted a number of JJCC member interviews and had spoken with Ad-Hoc Subcommittee members. Based upon that, she indicated that they were reviewing places to improve efficiencies; how to increase transparency; and how to increase community feedback. Additionally, they were tasked to review processes, if the JJCC was following

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the Bylaws and the legislative statutes that provide the framework and creation of the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act.

She moved on to cover the one-day Process Improvement Event (July 2022) and stated they had an ambitious endeavor but that it is a large process. She stated they reviewed the CMJJP Steps. They looked to see if there were any repetitive areas to eliminate any repetitions. She moved on and indicated they reviewed the Bylaws. A review of other California County bylaws indicated in some area's things were a bit more defined. She stated there is a question regarding JJCC Ad-Hoc Subcommittees lines of communication between the Ad-Hoc Subcommittees and the JJCC. As an example, having each Ad-Hoc Subcommittee report out during JJCC meetings, and if there is already a space for that, it could be helpful to have a definition regarding the lines of communication. A separate discussion during the one-day event included the expansion of the JJCC Subcommittees, which in turn, raised the question as to whether the JJCC has adequate support staff. She stated that question was provided to Adam Bettino to report back. She went on to state that a question arose about the JJCC-CAC as to whether or not it is a Brown Act meeting, and the way it is defined, it does have to be a Brown Act meeting. She stated there would be additional discussion about ways to obtain feedback and opportunity for discussion in a way for people to feel it is more open. She stated they reviewed the Statute and Brown Act and there was not an easy answer.

In response to Josh Green's comments after she concluded her presentation, she stated that one idea was to return to in-person meetings. She was interested in hearing ideas anyone had to offer. **Audio Time Stamp: 31:48-38:38, 40:05-41:08, 48:09-48:11**

JJCC-CAC Member Discussion: Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative, Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative, Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative **Audio Time Stamp: 41:08-43:29, 43:50-43:54, 46:50-46:51**

Carol Clancy, HMA, asked Kent Mendoza if his inquiry was about the CMJJP Timeline presenting on their work? **Audio Time Stamp: 43:30-43:49**

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, responded to Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative's request for Josh Green to respond to the question posed by Kent Mendoza to Carol Clancy. Josh Green stated he thought what he was hearing was Kent Mendoza

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speaking about when the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee begins their work and convene it earlier and complete the CMJJP earlier to obtain substantive feedback. He mentioned that receiving the governmental partner solicitations includes significant amount of paperwork for Ad-Hoc member's review. He ended by stating there might be other recommendations that facilitate a schedule that might require more capacity to lead the meetings and the behind-the-scenes administrative work. *Audio Time Stamp: 38:39-40:05, 43:56-45:37, 46:41-47:47:11, 46:52-47:01, 47:06-47:11, 47:40-48:09, 48:14- 48:16, 48:26-48:30, 48:32-48:33, 49:41-49:52, 50:01-50:18*

Carol Clancy, HMA, responded and stated they reviewed the CMJJP Steps to determine if there were any unnecessary steps. Additionally, they reviewed multiple deadlines and different tasks, and they would be looking at support for the process. *Audio Time Stamp: 45:38-46:38*

Public Comment: George Rios *Audio Time Stamp: 48:52-49:40*

(**JJCPA Administrative Note:** At the conclusion of Agenda Item IV. b., JJCC-CAC Chair, called for Agenda Item III. a. The JJCC Draft Meeting Minutes retained the agenda order for consistency.)

V. **Other Matters/Public Comment**

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, verified there were no public comments for the agenda item. He indicated those on the email list would receive updates when the JJCC is scheduled to convene regarding the JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee recommendations. He thanked everyone for joining and for an efficient succinct meeting and called for adjournment. *Audio Time Stamp: 53:59-55:00*

JJCC-CAC Member Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

VI. **Adjournment** – Meeting Adjourned at 2:49 P.M.