

**Los Angeles County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council  
Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJCC-JJRBG) Subcommittee  
Wednesday October 25, 2023, Final Meeting Minutes  
(Adopted during JJCC-JJRBG Meeting 2/5/2024)**

**Meeting:** Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council – Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJCCJJRBG) Subcommittee Meeting

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 1:15 pm – 2:45 pm

**Location of Meeting:** LACOE Education Center (Room 281) 9300 Imperial Highway, Downey, CA 90242

Hybrid Meeting: Live In-Person and via Virtual Platform: WebEx

**Members Present = 9:**

1. Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department (JJCC-JJRBG Chair)
2. Dr. Karen Streich, Department of Mental Health (DMH)
3. Shelan Joseph, District Attorney’s Office (DA)
4. Tricia Penrose, Juvenile Superior Court
5. Luis Rodriguez, (Alternate Elizabeth Braunstein), Public Defender’s Office (PD)
6. Tapau Osborne, Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)
7. Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 1
8. Patricia Soung, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 2
9. Josh Green, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 3 Audio Time Stamp: 0: 04:47-0:06:00

**Members Absent:** 1. Wason Fu, Department of Public Social Services (DPSS); 2. Alexis Hernandez, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 4; 3. Dr. Nicole Vienna, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 5

**Meeting Minutes by:** Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department

**(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: 0:01:28-0:04:46

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call of JJCC-JJRBG Subcommittee Members**

The meeting was called to order by Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department.  
Audio Time Stamp:

**II. Welcome**

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, welcomed everyone and thanked Los

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Angeles County Office of Education's Superintendent Dr. Duardo and Tapau Osborne, JJCC Representative, for hosting the meeting. She provided an update regarding in person and hybrid meetings.

**III. Approval JJCC-JJRBG Draft Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2023**

Attachment: Handout: JJCC-JJRBG Draft Meeting Minutes July 14, 2023 (JJCC-JJRBG Meeting 10/25/23 on Agenda)

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, moved on to the next Agenda Item and indicated that the previous meeting was over three (3) hours, so she provided time during the meeting to allow everyone to review the minutes prior to asking for a Motion to approve the Draft Meeting Minutes. Audio Time Stamp: 0:06:01-0:06:48

**(JJCPA Administration Note:** There was a pause between 0:06:48-0:09:38 to allow JJCC-JJRBG members to review the July 14, 2023, Draft Meeting Minutes (sixteen pages).)

- a. Motion to adopt JJCC-JJRBG Draft Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2023

**Motion to adopt JJCC-JJRBG Draft Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2023, made by Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tapau Osborne, LACOE Audio Time Stamp 0:09:39-:0:09:57**

**JJCC-JJRBG Member Discussion:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Ayes:** Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, Tapau Osborne, LACOE, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 1, Tricia Penrose, JC, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 2, Shelan Joseph, DA, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, Dr. Karen Streich, DMH, Luis Rodriguez, (Alternate Elizabeth Braunstein), PD

**No:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Motion Passed Audio Time Stamp: 0:09:25-0:11:52**

**IV. New Business**

- a. **County of Los Angeles Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Transition Plan Update by JJCC Chair**

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Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, introduced the next Item. She stated the JJRBG Annual Plan's deadline is May 1 and the current JJRBG Plan Template was submitted on May 1, 2023. She provided a summary of the JJCC-JJRBG meetings held since that time. Additionally, she indicated that the JJCC-JJRBG Budget and Spending Plan Ad-Hoc Subcommittee met as well. She stated the first public JJCC-JJRBG meeting occurred in July 2021. She stated during the July 14, 2023 JJCC-JJRBG Subcommittee meeting, the Spending Plan and Budget were approved. She moved on to introduce Scott Sanders to cover the next Agenda Item. Audio Time Stamp: 0:11:59-0:13:12, 0:43:05-0:43:15

- i. Brief Update on SYTF Programming by Scott Sanders, Bureau Chief, Probation Department

Scott Sanders, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, provided a brief description of programming. He stated since the previous JJCC-JJRBG Subcommittee meeting, they introduced new programs at Barry J. Nidorf, Campus Kilpatrick and Dorothy Kirby Center. The programming includes: 1. PEP (Prison Education Program); 2. Youth Production (a sound program); 3. Vocation Program (a machine shop was in the process of creation that would be housed in a building that is no longer in use as a housing unit.); Additionally, there were several contracts in process. He responded to multiple questions posed by JJCC-JJRBG Subcommittee members. He added that the population at Barry J, was 51 young people; Campus Kilpatrick was 19, and Dorothy Kirby Center was 4 young people. Additionally, he covered other programming opportunities, as well as staffing levels. Audio Time Stamp: 0:13:17-0:16:01, 0:16:18-0:16:18-0:17:31, 0:18:22-19:42, 0:20:01-0:20:52, 0:21:12-0:21:1, 0:21:16-0:21:24, 0:21:38-0:21:34, 0:21:44-0:22:21, 02:22:28-0:22:31, 0:23:33-0:26:26, 0:26:44-0:27:43, 0:27:47-0:27:47-0:28:01, 0:30:57-0:31:08, 0:31:36-0:31:56, 0:32:41-0:32:44, 0:32:53-0:33:14, 0:36:16-0:36:19, 0:37:43-0:37:53, 0:38:40-0:39:10, 0:39:49-0:40:02,0:40:05-0:40:11, 0:40:21-0:41:48,0:42:09-0:42:38, 04:42:51-0:42:59

**JJCC-JJRBG Member Discussion:** Tricia Penrose, JC, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Luis Rodriguez, (Alternate Elizabeth Braunstein), PD, Luis Rodriguez, (Alternate Elizabeth Braunstein), PD, Luis Rodriguez, (Alternate Elizabeth Braunstein), PD, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Tapau Osborne, LACOE, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Tapau Osborne, LACOE, Shelan Joseph, DA, Tapau Osborne, LACOE, Shelan Joseph, DA, Shelan Joseph, DA, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Luis Rodriguez, (Alternate Elizabeth Braunstein), PD, Luis Rodriguez, (Alternate Elizabeth Braunstein), PD Audio Time Stamp: 0:16:04-0:17:17,0:17:56-0:18:21, 0:19:43-0:20:00, 0:2:02-0:21:11, 0:21:14-0:21:16, 0:21:25-:21:28,

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**Public Comment:** Written Public Comment Received and sent to JJCC-JJRBG Subcommittee members

ii. Update on Educational Opportunities by Rising Scholars

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, moved on to this Agenda Item and introduced Javier Rodriguez, Rising Scholars and Tapau Osborne, LACOE [Audio Time Stamp: 0:43:19-0:43:45](#)

Javier Rodriguez, California State Chancellor’s Office, Regional Coordinator, Rising Scholars, began his presentation. He shared a PowerPoint presentation on screen during his presentation: Rising Scholars Network. He stated his region covers San Luis Obispo through the Inland Empire. He provided a program overview and indicated it includes a network of California Community Colleges committed to serving incarcerated and formerly incarcerated students by providing a degree granting program in correctional facilities and on campus support for students that are currently system involved and justice impacted schools. Assistance includes counseling, job opportunities, as well as other additional support. Rising Scholars advocates for colleges and working with their partners to introduce the resources for prospective students and foster a shared environment and joint commitment. Regarding Legislation and Funding and an on-going budget as of 2021, they had 60 colleges and 60 programs, and 15 Early Intervention Programs. In 2022, they received \$15 million to serve youth and funded 44 college programs. He indicated they were in the process of implementing dual enrolment into juvenile detention facilities through their juvenile justice grant. He covered Youth Focus that included: 1. Actively working to incorporate the unique needs of incarcerated and formerly incarcerated youth and; 2. Advocating for the colleges and working with correction partners to reach solutions, build resources, and foster a shared learning environment for youth. He stated 13 million will be distributed to 44 colleges. College programming includes: 1. Offering courses that are California State University (CSU) transferable courses; 2. Comprehensive support to assist students with the transition to on-campus higher education that includes: (I): Wraparound student support services that includes books and supplies, tuition, fees, stipends, housing food, and transportation and; (II): education transition plans for students, outlining their multiyear framework from high school through college and; 3. Staffing and space commitment that includes dedicated staffing.

Regarding Los Angeles County, the colleges and facilities include Los Angeles Mission College, Los Angeles Valley College, West Los Angeles College, for Campus Kilpatrick, East Los Angeles Community College and Trade Tech. He stated the budgets are \$300,000 per college per year for the next five (5) years. [Audio Time Stamp:](#)

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Tapau Osborne, LACOE, began by elaborating on the collaboration that has occurred with Javier's team, LACOE and Probation. She stated she and Mary Sanchez are the leads regarding dual enrollment. Mary Sanchez manages the CTE Pathways and Vocational Pathways, and Tapau Osborne manages the academic courses and the alignment that occurs to ensure students receive credit for dual enrollment. Dr. Corral, Probation Department, handles the graduates. She stated they met with Los Angeles Valley Community College, Los Angeles Mission Community College, and they were in the process of scheduling a meeting with West Los Angeles College. Additionally, they met with Trade Tech and East Los Angeles Community College. She they were trying to identify courses that students are interested in. They had students complete a survey to learn what they are interested in. LACOE Counselors work closed with Rising Scholar, counselors when they discuss programming. If a youth is looking to transition back to a community, LACOE's Field Transition Counselors that are located in those Probation Offices, assist to create a seamless handoff. She indicated they make connections with all of the universities and were in the process of identifying staff to support those students.

She responded to a question about how dual enrollment works. High school credit cannot be offered unless there is a credentialed teacher in the classroom for dual enrollment, and that credentialed teacher will be the teacher of record. If a college course meets three (3) times a week, the credentialed teacher must also be present. Additionally, the credentialed teacher will be present on the dates the college professor is not present. The Credentialed teacher will assist youth with assignment submission and tutoring if needed. The students will be assigned to the credentialed teacher. LACOE counselors work very closely with Rising Scholars counselors. The credentialed teacher will be the one who inputs grades for high school credit based upon the grades provided by the professor. Therefore, it is a collaboration, as they need the college professors to provide the college course along with the credentialed teacher. Audio Time Stamp: 0:45:09-0:53:29, 0:54:09-0:58:37, 0:59:13-1:00:1:05:461:07:23-1:00:37, 1:00:471:01:04, 1:02:14-1:04:26, 1:05:46-1:07:23, 1:12:47-1:13:39, 1:14:14-1:14:35, 1:15:39-1:16:56

**JJCC-JJRBG Member Discussion:** Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 2, Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 2: Patricia Soung, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 2, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, NonProfit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, Shelan Joseph, DA, Audio Time Stamp: 0:58:38-0:59:12, 1:00:38-1:00:45, 1:01:05-1:02:14, 1:04:30-1:04:55,1:08:08-1:09:05, 1:11:09-1:11:18, 1:11:44-1:12:19, 1:12:321:12:351:14:40-1:15:39,

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Scott Sanders, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, provided input during the discussion that included they would ensure they would have someone available and responsible to ensure access. Audio Time Stamps: 1:11:19-1:11:43,1:12:20-1:12:31, 1:12:36-1:13:39

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, stated that they had less than 10 minutes left in the meeting. Mr. Sanders was going to go through the pending items, on the budget. However, he had to leave the meeting. Therefore, she indicated they would table the remaining items. Audio Time Stamps: 1:16:57-1:17:42

**b. County of Los Angeles JJCC-JJRBG Spending Plan Update**

- i. Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Motion: Better Reaching the 95%

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, moved on to cover the Agenda Item. She discussed the Board Motions, which included the Better Reaching the 95% and a Global Motion. They all coalesce some of the activities and Mr. Sanders had been speaking with our Board (Board of Supervisors). She stated we want to ensure that we make all information available, to have discussions. Therefore, they would include information in the update during the next meeting. She thanked the two (2) presenters and thanked all JJCC members for their questions. Audio Time Stamps: 1:18:10-1:18:52, 1:19:21-1:20:05, 1:21:2-1:21:56

**JJCC-JJRBG Member Discussion:** Shelan Joseph, DA, Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3 Audio Time Stamps: 1:18:53-1:19:20, 1:20:26-1:21:24

- ii. Presentation of JJCC-JJRBG Draft Budget, Regarding Pending Matters [Handout]

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation, Department, tabled County of Los Angeles JJCC-JJRG Spending Plan Update. Audio Time Stamps: 1:21:04-1:22:21

- iii. Motion to Adopt JJCC-JJRBG Draft Budget - Pending Matters [Handout]

**Motion to Table the remaining items on the Agenda (IV. b.) JJCC-JJRBG Spending Plan Update made by Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 1** Audio Time Stamps: 1:22:05-1:22:31

**V. Other Matters/Public Comment**  
**Public Comment:** None

**VI. Adjournment** – Meeting Adjourned at 2:45 pm