

[DRAFT] MINUTES: Juvenile Justice Realignment Subcommittee

Date: 10/30/24; Time: 3:00-4:30; 370 Administration Drive-2nd Floor Multi Use Room.

Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introductions–Brad Michnevich

- i. Present: Probation-Brad Michnevich, Chair
 - ii. Juvenile Court representative-Hon. Ken Gness
 - iii. District Attorney-Scott Jamar
 - iv. Public Defender-Lynne Stark-Slater
 - v. VOICES-Greyson Gunheim
 - vi. HSD-FYC-Vanessa Azevedo
 - vii. Boys & Girls Club-Jason Weiss
 - viii. DHS-BHD-Karin Sellite
- b. Absent:
- i. SCOE-Robert Haley
 - ii. City of Santa Rosa GPS-Danielle Garduño
- c. Other Subcommittee Participants:
- i. Probation-Vanessa Fuchs
 - ii. Probation-Rob Halverson
 - iii. Probation-Kilee Willson
 - iv. Probation- Haunani Pakaki
 - v. Probation-Lisa Valente
 - vi. Probation-Theresa Brownlee
 - vii. Probation-Josh Lickey
- d. Introductions
- i. New members:
 1. Robert Haley – SCOE (interim)
 2. Judge LaForge – new Judge in Juvenile

2. Approval of Minutes from previous meetings–Haunani Pakaki

- a. Verbal votes for Minutes are allowed
- b. Before this Meeting, the draft Minutes from 03/24 were sent for review
- c. Are there any questions or corrections, currently?
- d. Hearing none, can I get a Motion to Approve the Minutes?
 - i. Motion: Lynne Stark-Slater / Second: Judge Gness
 - ii. Yay-7; Nay-0; Abstention-1
 - iii. The Minutes are Approved

3. Acknowledgment of Judge Gness–Brad Michnevich

4. Discussion: Updates since the March 2024 meeting–Brad Michnevich

- a. There are just over 250 youth on supervision, today. The count is trending upward and has nearly reached 2019 levels. It is unknown if it will continue trending upward.
- b. Juvenile Hall population is 65 today, which is higher than 2019 levels, though this includes 16 Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) youth (13 from Sonoma and 4 from other Counties), and some youth who might have been in Probation camp in prior years are likely now in Juvenile Hall.
- c. In 2023 and 2024 (estimated based on nine months of data) Probation received about 250 felony referrals and 150 misdemeanor referrals per year. Felony referrals are currently 25% above pre-pandemic levels, and Misdemeanor referrals are 50% lower. Court stats showed a 46% increase in petitions.
- d. Family Youth & Children (FYC) reports while their reporting numbers are down, but the acuity is much more severe
- e. At the last meeting a revised Charter was approved, reflecting the Assembly Bill (AB) 505 changes
- f. At the last meeting no members volunteered to be Co-Chair, and no motion was made to add a Co-Chair.
- g. The Annual Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) Plan was timely submitted to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR)
 - i. An Addendum was requested of several counties, including Sonoma County requesting additional disaggregated data, regional agreement partner information, and the names of housing programs or services available to the SYTF youths.
 - ii. The Addendum was sent in early August and accepted by the OYCR.

5. Updates: Developments in Juvenile Hall–Kilee Willson & Kris Hoyer

- a. SYTF population: 17, including 4 from other counties
- b. Youth in Less Restrictive Programs (LRP) after leaving SYTF: 4
- c. Sonoma County youth supervised in the community, not in LRP: 6
- d. Sonoma County youth All Proceedings Dismissed after SYTF: 6
- e. Total Sonoma County youth served in SYTF since Senate Bill (SB) 823 start: 33
- f. Juvenile Hall had its annual OYCR site visit on 9/5/2024
- g. Juvenile Hall also had its Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) targeted inspection on 8/27-8/30
- h. Female population today: 14
- i. Request For Proposals (RFP) for re-entry services, Treatment of Sexual Offending Youth, and Career-Technical Education
- j. Since September, resumed taking referrals from other currently contracted counties

- k. Use of Compass Academy is up-long-term population with a furlough option. SYTF Youth + Compass Academy youth = half of the population
- l. Juvenile Hall is continuing to work on getting youth into less restrictive programs
- m. BSCC visited twice this year including a recent visit during a power outage
- n. Trauma Counseling and Violence Prevention (TCVP)RFP and TSOY RFP ongoing, currently a bridge program for TSOY is happening with HOPE.

6. Question: What other updates or data would you like from Probation?–Rob Halverson

- a. Has the age range [and] race of youth changed in Juvenile Hall and in the community from pre-pandemic?
- b. Where do youth [being referred] reside, [and] where are services available?
- c. Are there statistics for the different points on the continuum?
- d. How long to step down, and what are the barriers?
- e. How are the step-down decisions made?
- f. What are the trends for youth outside of criminality or for co-occurring diagnoses (ex: SUDS, mental health, truancy, etc.)?

7. Discussion: Youth members on the Juvenile Justice Realignment Subcommittee–Rob Halverson

- a. Do we have any voting members that would like to develop our Youth Voice subgroup?
 - i. Boys & Girls Club
 - ii. VOICES
- b. Need specific criteria for the Youth Advisory Board
- c. Suzie from OYCR-Butte representative helped put together a Youth Advisory Board in their juvenile justice center; Hilary will connect Probation with her.

8. Standing Item: Do any JJRS Voting Member volunteer to be Cochair?–Brad Michnevich

- a. No volunteers at this meeting.

9. Public Comment: Three minutes per speaker–Brad Michnevich

- a. Music from Free Voices program youth was played for the JJRS
- b. OYCR has a conference in Orange County next week, have spaces open for youth and a chaperone.

10. Questions?

- a. None received.

11. Next Steps

- a. Next meeting to be determined

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