



**JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Friday, April 4, 2008
SANTA YNEZ VALLEY MARRIOT – BUELLTON, CA**

Members in Attendance:

Richard Morgantini for **Brown, Michael**, County Executive Officer
Chief Jim Peterson for **Brown, William**, Sheriff
Fred Razo for **Cirone, Bill**, SBCEO
Dabney, Timothy, Chief, Lompoc Police Department
Al Rodriguez for **Detrick, Ann**, ADMHS
John Greer for **Haaland-Ford, Tara**, JJDCP
Lt. Dan Ast for **Macagni, Dan**, Chief, Santa Maria Police Department
Menchaca, Teresa, Fighting Back - Santa Maria Valley
Paraskou, Greg, Public Defender
Capt. Robert Lowry for **Sanchez, Camerino**, Chief, Santa Barbara City Police Department
Michael Gonzalez, Santa Barbara School District
Kevin Smith, Zona Seca
Patrick McKinley for **Stanley, Christie**, Santa Barbara District Attorney
Stewart, Patti, Chief Probation Officer
Wolf, Janet, 2nd District Supervisor

Members Absent/Unrepresented:

Adams, Thomas, Presiding Judge Juvenile Court
Batty, William, Family Service Agency
Centeno, Joe, 5th District Supervisor
Gallagher, Kathy, Director, DSS
Hearn, Jeffrey, Santa Maria Joint Union High School District
Lynch, Frank, Lompoc Unified School District

Guest Present:

Nishimori, Judi, SMVYFC

Staff Present:

Anderson, Carrie, District Attorney Office
Barton, Clark, Deputy Probation Officer Senior SMJH
Coleman, Shawna, Supervising Probation Officer SMJH
Conoley, Martin, Deputy Chief Probation Officer, Juvenile Services
Contreras, Carolyn, Community Action Commission
Czuleger, Jerry, County Counsel
Farrah, Dean, Probation Manager, Juvenile Services, Santa Maria/Lompoc
Heitman, Tanja, Probation Manager, Adult Services, Santa Maria/Lompoc
Taylor, Beverly, Deputy Chief Probation Officer, Institutions

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

- Patti Stewart welcomed members and guests to the April meeting.
- The Council has adopted a more restrictive conflict of interest process than has been used in the past.

- The members present were reviewed and a quorum was confirmed taking into account those who have conflicts and will not be able to vote.

1. Approval of February 1, 2008 Minutes – All

- Amendments to the February 1, 2008, Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) minutes were proposed. A motion was made to approve the minutes as amended. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.
- The minutes will be posted to the Probation Department's internet site.

2. Public Comment

- Patrick McKinley requested clarification from Jerry Czuleger about the issues that have arisen with the conflict of interest rules adopted by the Council. Jerry advised that when funding is going to a public entity and the decision to grant the funding is being made by a body such as the JJCC, which includes a member from the agency proposed for funding, the member cannot participate in any way with the making of the contract that would ultimately fund their department. Members of the Council need to remove themselves from the voting and from the process of developing the proposal or the contract. You are left with having a delegate or delegation of other members of the Department, not those on the Council, to make a presentation or to be involved in negotiations. When the matter comes to the JJCC, the member is to not participate in discussion or vote on that matter.
- Mr. Gonzalez stated that Santa Barbara School Districts do not receive direct funding from the JJCC however, Probation assigns officers to the schools on a part time basis. He inquired if this constituted a conflict. Chief Stewart advised that the school districts receive a benefit from the funded services which does constitute a conflict. Mr. Gonzalez requested clarification if during the JJCPA agenda item those with a conflict could ask questions or discuss. Jerry advised that those with a conflict can not participate in discussion; they can ask for clarification, make a correction to detail, ask a non substantive question, but could not interject anything that would influence the discussion or decision. In addition, members without a conflict can not ask a question for a member with a conflict.

3. Chief Probation Officer Comments – Patti Stewart

- Chief Stewart attended the Chief's conference in Sacramento last week. The Governor met with all the Chiefs present at that meeting and assured his support for Probation and highlighted his recognition of Probation as an integral part of law enforcement and as playing a key role in the ultimate correction of prison overcrowding.
- CPOC and other law enforcement associations are supporting the Safe Neighborhoods Act (SNA). The allocation of SNA funding has been distributed in a related informational handout. Substantial funding will be directed to Probation Departments for both juvenile and adult intervention, prevention, and enhanced supervision services before offenders escalate into the State systems of DJJ or CDCR.

4. JJCPA – Development of FY 08 – 09 Spending Plan

- There are 17 members present at today's meeting and of those 10 can vote on the JJCPA spending plan. The seven members that have conflicts are: Fred Razo - County Education Office; Judi Nishimori - Santa Maria Valley Youth and Family Services; Al Rodriguez – ADMHS; Pat McKinley – District Attorney's office; Patricia Stewart – Probation; Carolyn Contreras – Community Action Commission; and, Michael Gonzalez – Santa Barbara School District.
- There are two motions that need to be decided on today. The first is how to budget a shortfall of \$248,978 as a result of reduced revenue. The second is a subsequent motion to approve a secondary budget reduction proposal. There is a possibility that the additional across the board 10% State cuts might not happen but today's decision will ensure the JJCPA spending plan contingency without the need to return for additional discussion. With an approved contingency in place we will have the ability to move forward with those cuts if

necessary by the 5/1/08 CSA deadline. The total reduction could be \$380,000 which includes the additional 10% cut if affirmed by the State.

- Two things must be decided today:
 - A recommendation must be presented to the Board of Supervisors to approve of the Workgroup's draft of the Local Action Plan for FY 08-09.
 - An expenditure plan to accompany the plan must be agreed upon.
- Once the plan is approved by the Board of Supervisors, it will be forwarded by May 1st to the Corrections Standard Authority (CSA).
- Workgroup summary presented by Dean Farrah. The JJCC workgroup met on three different occasions setting parameters for the group process, gathering information on trends and potential impacts of reductions to develop the proposals for the JJCC members.
- Members of the workgroup included representatives from Lompoc Unified School District, County Executive Office, County Education Office, Lompoc Police Department, ADMHS, Santa Maria Police Department, District Attorney's Office, Santa Barbara Police Department, Community Based Organizations, and the Probation Department.
- Currently funded programs:
 - The initial assessment with Santa Barbara Asset Risk Assessment is used to determine the appropriate treatment program and services assessors are located in each geographic region. Juveniles with a higher risk are referred a mental health clinician for an additional assessment through ADMHS, this service is primarily in the north county.
 - Early Intervention Officers provide first offender services and supervision. These caseloads serve the medium to high risk minors and their families with extensive counseling and supervision.
 - The Truancy Program serves minors that continue to be truant despite efforts to promote school attendance. This program is comprised of five steps including a school letter, a District Attorney letter, an after school meeting, Truancy Mediation Team (TMT), and School Attendance Review Board attended by Probation. Counseling services are provided to families to help provide support and encouragement of attendance at school.
 - School Intervention or School Based Officers supervise minors with truancy issues that have also been assessed as a high risk for violence and/or gang issues. These officers also serve as school liaison responding to the needs of probationers, school administrators, and law enforcement resource officers. The highest priority is for violence prevention and school safety.
 - Aftercare services are provided by Juvenile Institution Officers and are aimed at facilitating a successful transition when a minor returns home from a group home placement, Camp, or long term detention. The focus is placed on curtailment of re-entry into the juvenile justice system, increased school attendance and performance, and access to support network of services and programs to assist the minors in establishing a different life style. Counseling is also provided to address ongoing criminal behaviors and causes.
- The budget reduction packages were provided with the agenda for today's meeting via e-mail, copies were provided to those present.
- Dean Farrah guided the review of Proposals A – A1 and B - B1 reduction packages.
- It was submitted that workgroup participants decided that proposals A- A1 and B – B1 would be brought to the Council and C – C1 and D – D1 would be available should the Council want to consider those options as well.
- Proposals C – C1 and D - D1 reduction packages were reviewed at the request of the Council.
- There was discussion about the four spending plans by those without conflicts.
- A motion was made by Tim Dabney and seconded by Bob Lowry to remove spending plans C – C1 and D –D1.

- A vote was taken on the motion to removed spending plans C-C1 and D-D1:
 - Ayes: 9
(Kevin Smith, Richard Morgantini, Jim Peterson, Tim Dabney, John Greer, Dan Ast, Greg Paraskou, Bob Lowry, Janet Wolf)
 - Nays: 1
(Teresa Menchaca)
- There was discussion about spending plans A – A1 and B – B1.
- A motion was made by Janet Wolf and seconded by Tim Dabney to adopt spending plan B.
- A vote was taken to adopt spending plan B:
 - Ayes: 10
(Kevin Smith, Richard Morgantini, Jim Peterson, Tim Dabney, John Greer, Dan Ast, Teresa Menchaca, Greg Paraskou, Bob Lowry, Janet Wolf)
 - Nays: 0
- Chief Stewart noted that there is an additional proposed cut that can be voted on now, the decision could be tabled which would require an additional meeting if the subsequent cuts are necessary.
- A motion was made by John Greer and seconded by Tim Dabney to adopt spending plan B1 if the state cut JJCPA funds by the additional 10% submitted in the governor’s budget proposal.
- A vote was taken to adopt spending plan B1 to address further cuts as stated:
 - Ayes: 10
(Kevin Smith, Richard Morgantini, Jim Peterson, Tim Dabney, John Greer, Dan Ast, Teresa Menchaca, Greg Paraskou, Bob Lowry, Janet Wolf)
 - Nays: 0
- The 08 – 09 spending plan is finalized and there will be the requisite review and approval by the Board of Supervisors before subsequently going to Corrections Standards Authority by the May 1st due date.
- Chief Stewart thanked everyone for the hard work with making these tough decisions.
- Dean Farrah thanked those that participated in the advisory group and appreciates all the assistance in this challenging task.

5. Review of Nominations & Selection of Two-2 Year Term non-profit youth services Community Based Organizations Members – Martin Conoley

- It was necessary to make some membership changes to conform to the Welfare and Institutions Code 749.22 which designates permanent members and two year term members.
- The permanent members will be voting on the two non-profit youth services Community Based Organization members.
- There were members selected by the coalitions or associations for the drug and alcohol programs serving youth, County Law Enforcement Chiefs, and local school district representatives.
- Community-based drug and alcohol program coalition representatives are Kevin Smith, Director of Zonz Seca’s Youth and Family Treatment Center in Lompoc and Teresa Menchaca, Santa Maria Fighting Back.
- County Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC) representatives are Chief Tim Dabney, Lompoc Police Department, Chief Dan Macagni, Santa Maria Police Department, and Chief Cam Sanchez, Santa Barbara Police Department.
- Local school district coalition representatives are Dr. Francis J. Lynch, Lompoc Unified School District, Dr. Jeffrey N. Hearn, Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, and Michael J. Gonzalez, Santa Barbara School District.
- There are two seats for the non profit community based organizations, providing youth services that need to be voted on by the permanent members.

- Teresa Menchaca is to be removed from the selection as she has been selected as a representative for the drug and alcohol programs.
 - There was need for clarification if Dr. Jill Sharkey position at UCSB would qualify as a non profit community based organization providing youth services and Anna Kokotovic is pending retirement could preclude her from meeting the qualifications necessary to serve.
 - The Council had a discussion about the five nominees who's names were submitted.
 - It was decided to have each permanent member make a selection of two of the five nominees. Once the members have been selected it could be necessary to determine the representative's eligibility.
- A vote was taken:
 - Jim Peterson – Dr. Jill Sharkey and Bill Batty
 - Fred Razo – Dr. Jill Sharkey and Bill Batty
 - Al Rodriguez – Dr. Jill Sharkey and Bill Batty
 - John Greer – Dr. Jill Sharkey and Anna Kokotovic
 - Greg Paraskou – Bill Batty and Vincent Giordano
 - Patrick McKinley – Dr. Jill Sharkey and Bill Batty
 - Patti Stewart – Dr. Jill Sharkey and Bill Batty
 - Janet Wolf – Dr. Jill Sharkey and Anna Kokotovic
 - Totals: Dr. Jill Sharkey – 7, Bill Batty – 6, & Anna Kokotovic - 2
 - Nays: 0
 - Abstain: 1 (Richard Morgantini)
- It was decided the permanent members would vote for one additional CBO representative if it is determined that Dr. Jill Sharkey does not meet the qualifications as a non-profit community based organization providing youth serves.
- A vote was taken:
 - Jim Peterson – Vincent Giordano
 - Fred Razo – Anna Kokotovic
 - Al Rodriguez – Anna Kokotovic
 - John Greer – Anna Kokotovic
 - Greg Paraskou – Vincent Giordano
 - Patrick McKinley – Vincent Giordano
 - Patti Stewart – Vincent Giordano
 - Janet Wolf – Anna Kokotovic
 - Totals: Vincent Giordano – 4 & Anna Kokotovic - 4
 - Nays: 0
 - Abstain: 1 (Richard Morgantini)
- Due to the tie, if it is determined that Dr. Jill Sharkey is not eligible to serve this item will be returned to the Council at the August meeting.
 - The nominated members will serve a term of 2 years beginning April 4, 2008 and ending April 4, 2010.

7. JJCPA Utilization: Tanja Heitman

- The JJCPA utilization report was sent out with the agenda to Council members.
- There were no questions relative to the utilization report.

8. DJJ Realignment Legislative and Project Update – Bev Taylor

- The Probation Department has submitted the Juvenile Justice Development Plans for the expenditure of YOBG funds to Correction Standards Authority and it was approved and recommended.
- On April 3rd the Probation Department received a letter that our Juvenile Justice Development plan was approved.
- The CSA board requires an update to the plan in May 2008.
- Copies of the Juvenile Justice Development Plans are available upon request.

10. Public Comment for Committee Members

- None

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Melanie Davis, Executive Secretary

Next Meeting: August 29, 2008, – Santa Ynez Valley Marriott – Del Mar Room, Buellton, CA