Stanislaus County
Juvenile Justice Commission
January 28, 2020 – Probation Department – JUVENILE COUNSELING CENTER

**Members Present**: Darin Gharat, Chair, Stephen Ashman, Chief Marc Nuno, Sharma Uma, Vicki Maldonado, Marian Martino, and Lt. Scott Houston

**Members Excused:** Capt. Bill Duncan, Miranda Martinez, Jeffrey Graham, and Teresa Guerrero

**Probation Department Present:** Chief Probation Officer Mike Hamasaki, Assistant Chief Probation Officer Leticia Ruano, Facility Superintendent Mark Ferriera

**Superior Court Present:** The Honorable Ruben Villalobos, Juvenile Court Judge

**Call to Order**: Chairman Darin Gharat called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**Public Comment**: No public individuals were present.

## **Probation Department Report**

Chief Mike Hamasaki reported the following information:

- The Juvenile Probation Detention Analysis Report is available in draft form, which
  is a 10-year report on trends that have been observed in the Juvenile Institutions.
  Chief Hamasaki highlighted that numbers in 2019 were lower than in 2018, but
  higher than 2017. The population count for today is 67 and recent numbers have
  been hovering in the 60's.
- Facility Superintendent Mark Ferriera will be assuming the Acting Chief Probation Officer position effective February 7, 2020, and upon the retirement of Chief Hamasaki, he will be appointed Chief Probation Officer effective February 29, 2020. A Swearing-In Ceremony is scheduled for March 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM.

## **Juvenile Court Report**

Judge Villalobos reported the following:

 The next Juvenile Justice quarterly meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2020. At this meeting Chief Reese from the Discovery Challenge Academy in San Joaquin County will be the guest speaker.

## **Update on Judge Underwood Scholarship**

Gail Kittel provided information on the two students receiving scholarship funding. One student is in her fourth semester at California State University – Stanislaus and is in the Nursing program. She is maintaining a 3.2 GPA and she will be graduating in May 2020. The other student is in her third semester at Modesto Junior College and is maintaining a 2.25 cumulative GPA. Lt. Houston and Marian Martino interviewed a candidate on January 10, 2020. This candidate qualifies to receive the scholarship for the Spring 2020 semester; however, he does not have a Social Security number and Fiscal Services is working with the Auditor's Office on processing the payment for this student.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.