Stanislaus County
Juvenile Justice Commission
December 01, 2022 – Probation Department

Members Present: Marian Martino, Chair; Stephen Ashman, Captain Scott Houston,

Dawn Cullum, Chief Fidel Landeros

Members Excused: Michael Baldwin, Vice Chair; Sharma Uma, Wanda Bonnell,

Probation Department Present: Chief Probation Officer Mark Ferriera, ACPO Leticia

Ruano, Facility Superintendent Tracie Martin

Superior Court: The Honorable Jeff Mangar

Call to Order: Chairperson Marian Martino called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

Public Comment: No public comment

Approval of Minutes: MOTION: Chief Fidel Landeros. SECOND: Dawn Cullum. The

minutes from the August 18, 2022, meeting were approved.

Probation Department Report:

Chief Probation Officer Mark Ferriera advised that the Juvenile Institutions' current population is 46 youth, with 4 females and 42 males, of which zero are pending placement and 2 are Secure Track commitments. Additionally, he provided the following updates:

The Cognitive Behavior Intervention Program (CBI) is offered for in-custody youth and runs for 47 sessions. CBI is an ongoing program that helps youth identify better ways to address difficult situations. The program ended on November 7th, 2022; several youth graduated, mainly from the maximum security units, due to their extended time in custody.

CPO Ferriera reported an increase in older youth bookings following the passage of SB 823. The Juvenile Institutions, as of today, have 10 youth that are 18 years old, 3 youth that are 19 years old, and 1 youth that is 21 years old.

Of the 46 youth in custody, 3 are awaiting a transfer hearing to determine if they should be tried as a juvenile or an adult. In addition, 2 youths are being tried as adults, with a 3rd set to be transferred to the adult facilities following the resolution of his case.

Chief Ferriera informed the group that recently, several youth within the Juvenile Institutions experienced the loss of a family member. He expressed his gratitude to the staff working with the youth during the difficult moment and the service providers who were readily available to provide the youth with the needed help.

Unit 5 is currently on family-style quarantine due to COVID-19 exposure. CPO Ferriera advised that the Public Health guidelines will continue to be followed.

CPO Ferriera reported that AB 503 had been vetoed by Governor Newsom. This bill would put youth on probation for 6 months unless, by evidence, during a Court-noticed hearing, or the Court would find it in the best interest to extend probation past 6 months.

Chairperson Marian Martino inquired about the number of youth on probation and how often their probation officers make contact. ACPO Leticia Ruano advised that Deputy Probation Officers contact youth in the office on scheduled reporting days, by phone, at school sites, homes, and out in the community. CPO Ferriera reported that 192 youth are currently on Probation.

Announcements:

Chairperson Marian Martino announced the completion of the Juvenile Justice Commission's annual inspections, including the Juvenile Institutions, Modesto Police Department, and Oakdale Police Department. She thanked the JJC members for their reporting of the inspections. The letters were signed during today's meeting.

A schedule of Juvenile Justice Commission meetings for the calendar year 2023 was provided, and Eva Carrazco sent a calendar invitation. (a copy is attached)

Ms. Martino was pleased that the reintegration meetings were relocated to Unit 4.

ACPO Leticia Ruano thanked Ms. Martino for the gift bags she puts together for youth every year. Chairperson Martino advised that the gifts will be delivered to the youth on December 17th and 18th. She also shared that funding is available if needed, thanks to community donations.

Stephen Ashman advised that CASA has available funding for dependency youth. He asked to be contacted before the dependency youth are released to provide them with resources if needed.

The next Juvenile Justice Commission meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:31 p.m.



2023 JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION MEETING CALENDAR

JJC MEETINGS ARE 12 PM-1 PM TO BE HELD IN PERSON AT THE PROBATION HR TRAINING ROOM. THE JUVENILE FACILITY TOUR WILL BE 10 AM-12 PM, AND THE INSPECTIONS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HOLDING FACILITY ARE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION.

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JJC 2023 MEETINGS



JUVENILE INSTITUTIONS INSPECTION (JH/JCF)



INSPECTION OF LOCKED FACILITIES (OAKDALE PD & MODESTO PD) DATES TBD

JJC MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

FEBRUARY 9 APRIL 27

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AUGUST 31 OCTOBER 5 DECEMBER 14

NOVEMBER: TIME AND DATE OF OPD AND MPD INSPECTIONS WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE JJC.