

Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council
SUBCOMMITTEE
Special Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2024 – 3:30 pm
Monterey County Probation Department
20 E. Alisal Street, Salinas, CA 93901
Training Conference Room
(831) 755-3913

Members Present: Todd Keating (Chair), Thomas O’Keefe (representing Susan Chapman), Lana Nassoura (representing Jeannine Pacioni), Dr. Ernesto Vela (representing Dr. Deneen Gus), Marni Sandoval (representing Katy Eckert), Roderick Franks (representing Lori Medina), Beth Wilbur, and Christina Yee.

Staff: Anne Brereton, County Counsel

Members Absent: Deborah Carrillo, Judge Sam Lovato, Denise Velasquez-Dawson and Robin McCrae

I. Welcome/ Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 p.m.

II. Public Comments (limit 2 minutes per speaker)

Cecilia Arredondo Simmons, representing the Office of Youth and Community Restoration, introduced herself as the central region’s county liaison, covering areas including Monterey County. She mentioned that OYCR host a webinar series on the first Monday of every month. Their next webinar is March 4th, titled “In their names: The Untold story of Victim’s Rights, Mass Incarceration, and the Future of Public Safety.” Additionally, she noted that the Sarah Foundation will soon open applications for interested Community Based Organizations (CBOs). For more details, she encouraged contacting her via email.

III. Consent Calendar

Approve Special Meeting Minutes for October 26, 2023.

Action: A motion was made by Rodrick Franks, seconded by Christina Yee, to approve the JJCC meeting minutes of October 26, 2023.

Vote: Passed 8:0

Ayes: Todd Keating, Thomas O’Keefe, Vanessa Acevedo, Lana Nassoura, Dr. Ernesto Vela, Marni Sandoval, Roderick Franks, Beth Wilbur, and Christina Yee

Noes: None

Absent: Deborah Carrillo, Judge Sam Lovato, Denise Velasquez-Dawson and Robin McCrae

Abstain: None

IV. Regular Calendar

A. Receive a Summary Update on AB505 (no action)

Chief Probation Officer, Todd Keating provided information on legislative updates to Section 1995, which now allows the Subcommittee to optionally appoint any member as co-chair. Chief Keating invited comments on this issue and mentioned that there would be a more in-depth discussion about the optional co-chair in next month's meeting. AB505 also mandates that the Subcommittee is to meet a minimum of twice a year.

Additional updates to Section 1995: Judges will inspect juvenile facilities, the Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR) is required to visit the institutions annually, and OYCR is granted broader access to staff, youths, and documents within the institutions.

B. Receive and review draft of Monterey County Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant annual plan FY24-25. (No action)

Chief Probation Officer, Todd Keating directed the Subcommittee's attention to the draft Plan attached in their packets. He opened the floor for comments and encouraged members to contact either him or Director Julie Kenyon for any recommended additions or necessary corrections.

V. Announcements

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:53 pm.