

Juvenile Justice Commission
Remi Vista Conference Room
2701 Park Marina Drive
Redding, California

Thursday, April 27, 2017
3:30 P.M.
Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Steve MacFarland, Chairman
Susan Duncan
Hannah Maxwell
Cindy Vogt
Barbara Van Dyke
Susan Wilson
Robert Hughes
Diane Gerard

Others Present

Eric Jones, Probation
Sarah Till, Probation
Ed Miller, Probation
Twyla Carpenter, Probation
Jason McCormick, Probation
Laura Meras, Probation
Judge Monique McKee

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. Introductions

3. Minutes

Susan Wilson moved to approve the meeting minutes for January 26, 2017; Second by Susan Duncan; Motion passed. 8 Ayes, 0 Noes

4. Introduction of New Deputy Probation Officers

Laura Meras and Jason McCormick were introduced to the Commission. Both gave a brief overview of their education, work, and career history. Susan Wilson moved to approve Laura Meras and Jason McCormick as Deputy Probation Officers; Cindy Vogt seconded; Motion passed. 8 Ayes, 0 Noes.

5. Approval of new Commission member

Betty Cunningham, Board member of Shasta County Chemical People, introduced herself to the members. Susan Wilson moved to approve the appointment of Betty Cunningham to the Commission; Cindy Vogt Second; Motion passed. 8 Ayes, 0 Noes

6. Enjoy magazine article on Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility

Sarah Till presented the commission members with an article that was published in the Enjoy magazine in April featuring the GROW Program. Sarah has since received requests from other agencies to speak about the GROW Program.

Sarah passed out a brochure highlighting the GROW program. Upcoming activities in this program include having a booth at the local Farmers Market.

7. Probation Reports

a. Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility (JRF)

Sarah brought an updated list of the programs that are offered weekly in the JRF. New to the programs are World View, painting classes, Project Towards no Drugs (TND), and Leaders of Tomorrow (LOT).

Sarah passed out a flyer on AB 1143, which goes into effect January 1, 2018 which limits room confinement to no longer than four hours for safety and security purposes only. Shasta County implemented these new requirements on March 8, 2017.

Sarah provided the JRF monthly reports for January, February and March and gave an overview. The average length of stay is nearly 20 days. On average 4-5 residents from Modoc and Trinity counties are being housed. Use of Force incidents have decreased.

b. Juvenile Supervision

Eric Jones commented on the GROW program. The program initially was used as a sanction but quickly became something that the juveniles enjoyed and began requesting to participate in.

Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT), Aggression Replacement Training (ART), and Project Towards No Drugs (TND) are currently being provided.

Juvenile Probation is currently working with three Deputy Probation Officers for 60 high risk minors. Eric has taken on a caseload.

Ed Miller mentioned the "Not Forgotten" A Foster Care Awareness Community Event to be held on May 12th, from 11:30am to 7:00pm, at the Redding Memorial Veteran's Hall. All local Foster Family Agencies along with Probation, will have booths. This event is an educational event geared towards everyone, even those who are not currently foster families, and will include food and activities.

8. Judge's comments

Judge McKee stated there is no longer a courtroom at Juvenile Probation. It has been moved back to the court house on Court Street. In the near future, a video conferencing option between the Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility (JRF) and the courtroom will be available which will help with issues related to transporting in custody youth from the JRF to the courthouse.

9. Commission Member Comments

Susan Wilson mentioned that Peer Court also moved to the main courthouse.

Diane Gerard thanked everyone and indicated that she enjoyed the meeting.

10. Other business

None

Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled at 3:00 p.m., on Thursday, July 20, 2017, at the Remi Vista Conference Room, located at 2701 Park Marina Drive, 3rd Floor, in Redding.

Respectfully submitted,

Twyla Carpenter

APPROVED:

Steve MacFarland, Chairman