

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

Thursday, January 25, 2018
3:00 P.M.
Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Steve MacFarland, Chairman
Betty Cunningham
Alec Burgess
Cindy Vogt
Susan Duncan
Yvonne Tate
Diane Gerald by Phone for Action Items

Others Present

Carol Ulloa, Probation
Sarah Till, Probation
Tracie Neal, Probation
Twyla Carpenter, Probation
Jennifer Richards, YVPC
Erin Ceccarelli, Probation

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.

2. Introductions

3. Review the Inspection of Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility (JRF)

The final inspection report was distributed to board members. Betty Cunningham, Cindy Vogt and Steve MacFarland reported on the JRF inspection. All were very impressed with the quality and quantity of the programming that is being offered to the residents. They were also impressed with the interactions of the residents with the JRF staff and the teachers. The inspection team stated that special recognition needs to go to Sarah Till, JRF Director for her enthusiasm and dedication.

4. Minutes

Yvonne Tate moved to approve the meeting minutes for October 5, 2017; Seconded by Betty Cunningham; Motion passed. 7 Ayes, 0 Noes.

5. Discuss Title 15 regulations and consider endorsing a letter to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) regarding potential changes to staff/youth ratios and the impacts on the JRF.

The Executive Steering Committee of the BSCC is considering a change to Title 15, Section 1321 that includes a change in staffing ratios from 1 staff for each 10 youth during wake hours and 1 staff for every 30 youth during sleep hours to 1 staff for each 8 youth during wake hours and 1 staff for every 16 youth during sleep hours. Members discussed the ratio changes and impacts to our youth and the JRF. The Executive Steering Committee is meeting on February 8th, and will discuss and vote on modifications to Title 15 Regulations. Tracie plans to attend the BSCC Executive Steering Committee meeting along with other Chief Probation Officers and members of the Chief Probation Officers Association.

Cindy Vogt moved to endorse the letter to the BSCC with corrections; Betty Cunningham seconded; Motion passed. 7 Ayes, 0 Noes.

6. Probation Reports

a. Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility (JRF)

Sarah provided the JRF monthly reports for September, October, November and December and gave an overview. The average population is 22, with a high of 27. There are two minors who will graduate high school in February and two more in March.

b. Juvenile Supervision

Carol reported that the Juvenile Division is fully staffed. The entire staff has been trained in EPICS - Effective Practices in Community Supervision. EPICS is designed to use a combination of monitoring, referrals, and face-to-face interactions to provide the juveniles with a sufficient "dosage" of treatment interventions, use time with the juveniles most effectively, and develop a collaborative working relationship. Part of the EPICS training is engagement, homework and feedback. In March, the interactions with the Probation Officer and the youth will be audio taped which will be reviewed by staff in Cincinnati for fidelity and coaching. Probation is establishing some tracking measures for EPICS.

7. Judge's comments

None

8. Commission Member Comments

Cindy Vogt asked how the video presentation on implementation of SB1143 went at the Chief Probation Officers of California state meeting. Sarah and Tracie stated that the presentation went well and had a lot of great feedback. The Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility (JRF) was the only juvenile facility represented at the meeting. Several counties and State leaders expressed an interest in visiting our facility to learn more and the California State Sheriff's Association Magazine expressed an interest in doing an article about the JRF for their publication.

9. Other business

None

Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled at 3:00 p.m., on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at the Remi Vista Conference Room, located at 2701 Park Marina Drive, 3rd Floor, in Redding.

Respectfully submitted,

Twyla Carpenter

APPROVED:

Steve MacFarland, Chairman