

# Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission

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## **NOVEMBER 8, 2024 MEETING**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Kate Gaston, Sarah Martin, Libbe Madsen (remote), Marquez Gibson (remote), Scott Marsh, Esperanza Montana-Culbertson, Bode Gower (remote)

OTHERS PRESENT: Izen Locatelli, Chief Probation Officer; John Bednar, MCJH Division Manager; Kim Turner, Court Executive Officer; Kim Weston; Darius Parakh (via Zoom) (OYCR Bay Area Liaison); Damian Ruby (MCYP); Shawn Lockhart (Juvenile Probation); Martin Martinez (Red Road Program)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Vanessa Curl, Tanya Estrada-Ruiz

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm by JJDPC Chairperson, Kate Gaston.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
  - a. Welcome and Introductions
  - b. Additions or Corrections to Agenda
    1. Formation of Committees, Kate Gaston.
    2. Preauthorization/clearance of Commissioners by Probation Department, Kim Turner.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** None.
3. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 11, 2024 MEETING (ATTACHMENT):** After discussion, the Commissioners approved the October 11, 2024 meeting minutes with requested change. Ms. Estrada-Ruiz moved to approve; Ms. Martin seconded.
4. **PROBATION REPORT:** Chief Locatelli reported that he has been focusing on Prop 36 for Adult Probation. They have extended a job offer to an extra help employee for a position in Juvenile Hall. The hall is fully staffed. The Juvenile Division of the Probation Department is not fully staffed and they are currently recruiting for two positions. They are covering the open positions with Adult Probation Officers that have previous juvenile experience. They are also working on cross training staff.
5. **JUVENILE HALL REPORT:** Mr. Bednar reported that there are currently 12 youth in Juvenile Hall, 11 males (four from Lake County), and one female. He reported that Lake County Juvenile Justice Commission will be touring the hall on November 13<sup>th</sup>. There are upcoming inspections with Environmental Health, BSCC, and the Fire Marshall. He is continuing to work on the Garden Project. The ground has been levelled and irrigation ditches have been dug. The weed barrier will be put down once the metal troughs have been received. They are able to obtain free

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compost and mulch through the Department of Transportation. They are struggling to find an instructor for the garden program. The College would be running the program based on the semester and it would be hard to integrate that with kids who come in and out of the hall. They are continuing to work on this aspect. The music program is moving along as well. The room is being prepped and painted. Equipment has arrived. They are investigating ways to add cultural and native music to the program.

6. **UPDATE/DISCUSSION ON SPEAKERS FOR JJDP MEETINGS THIS FALL:** Darius Parakh with the OYCR will be presenting next month on early intervention and organization assistance.

7. **NOMINATION AND POSSIBLE ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** After nomination and voting, the new JJDP Officers beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 are as follows:

Chair:	Sarah Martin
Vice Chair:	Marquez Gibson
Secretary:	Josepine Pady

8. **PROPOSED SUPPORT AND INFORMATION FROM OYCR(ATTACHMENT):** Item passed to December meeting.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

**SARB:** Ms. Gaston will be contacting MCOE and UUSD to have them attend the January, February, or March meeting for a presentation. She will also be contacting the Chair of the Boys and Girls Club.

10. **REVIEW AND DISCUSS REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON FUTURE AGENDA, INCLUDING AGENDA DATE(S) AND PROVIDE DIRECTION:**

None.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:** After discussion, it was agreed that the next JJDP meeting will be held on December 13, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. in the Jury Assembly Room at the Ukiah Courthouse. A Zoom link will be provided for Commissioners who cannot attend in person and for any members of the public to attend.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:48 p.m.

MINUTES COMPLETE

Submitted by Kim Weston