



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission
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Minutes of the Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission

June 25, 2019

5:15-7:15 pm

455 County Center, 4th Floor, Room 402, Redwood City

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Chair Michele Gustafson; Co-Vice Chair Sonoo Thadaney; Susan Swope; Doug Winter; Clara MacAvoy; Melissa Wilson; Toni Barrack; Valerie Gibbs, Debora Telleria

Commissioners Absent: Daniel Casillas (E); Christine Ford (U); Rebecca Flores (U)

Probation Staff Present: Deputy Chief Probation Officer Rich Hori; Deputy Chief Probation Officer (WOC) Michelle Kozul; Administrative Secretary Tony Burchyns

Additional Attendees:

Tara Ford – Stanford Youth & Education Law Project	Aura Pena – Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
Monroe Labouisse – Prospective commissioner, CASA volunteer	Rich Halpern – Private Defender Program
Kate Hiester – Fresh Lifelines for Youth	Rebecca Baum – DA’s Office
Ally Hoppis – Behavioral Health & Recovery Services	Judge Susan Jakubowski – Juvenile Court
Sathvik Nori – San Mateo Youth Commission	Paul Bocanegra – Prospective commissioner, Human Rights Watch

I. Administrative Business:

- a. Call to Order: Chair Gustafson called meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.
- b. Roll Call and Establish Quorum: A quorum was established at 5:18 pm.
- c. Introductions
- d. Agenda Review: **Approved** as distributed.
- e. Approval of Minutes of May 28, 2019: **Approved.**
- f. Status of prospective commissioners: The Board of Supervisors was set to vote today on the appointments of Monroe Labouisse and Paul Bocanegra to the JJDPC. No further updates available currently.
- g. Request a stand-in as JJDPC representative at JJCC on Thursday, July 25, 2019, 2-4pm: Debora Telleria will attend

II. Oral Communications:

None

III. Presentation by San Mateo County Manager’s Office Regarding Juvenile Fees and Discussion

Magda Gonzalez (San Mateo County Revenue Services) and Craig Baumgartner (San Mateo County Counsel’s Office) shared information about the juvenile fees repeal process in San

Mateo County stemming from the passage of California SB 190 which went into effect in January 2018. The law abolishes all administrative fees in juvenile cases. The law does not address fees already on the books, but the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors decided in June 2018 to officially write off those debts.

As previously reported, Revenue Services has been refusing/returning payments on affected accounts since January 1, 2018 and has not sought any new judgments or liens.

Ms. Gonzalez reported that the County Manager's office has identified an estimated 23,000 judgments, liens and abstracts taken against people with overdue balances on juvenile fees. These are not all unique individuals as each juvenile hall/camp stay resulted in a different account being opened. 11,000 of those have been released or expired, leaving 13,000 active, 2,600 of which can be found by a public records search.

The County Manager's office did a test notification to 100 addresses randomly chosen from affected accounts. They sent a certified letter to the addresses of 100 accounts as an initial test of response rate. From that 100, they received just one request to release, which they acted upon. Most of the letters were returned undelivered; a few were refused.

The County Manager will continue sending 100 notices per month to affected accounts. Affected individuals will need to reach out to the designated contact (see presentation) to obtain a release, then separately go to the County Recorder's office to pay to record the release.

The Commission expressed appreciation for the work done to date and the magnitude of work to be done. It also offered suggestions with regard to the notifications, specifically that the letter and mechanism for delivery should be reviewed for user-friendliness, language and literacy appropriateness, and to mitigate concerns caused by heightened concerns about ICE raids or other government enforcement. The Commission also asked for a contact with whom we might discuss recordkeeping on accounts, as the County Manager reported having challenges with identifying unique individuals who might have been subject to liens, abstracts and judgments.

Ms. Gonzalez's presentation is attached to the minutes.

IV. 2019 Inspections

The Commission discussed its upcoming annual inspections of detention facilities in San Mateo County that house juveniles. The hope is to complete most if not all inspections by the August meeting.

Chair Gustafson reported out on a May 31, 2019 BSCC statewide conference call regarding the development of new commission inspection templates.

Commissioner Swope reviewed her team's inspection of the Redwood City Police Department on June 17, 2019. The inspection found that Redwood City Police Dept. meets all the requirements for juvenile detention. Commissioners recommended that there be constant recording whenever a juvenile is being held in either secure or non-secure detention for the safety of both the officer and the juvenile. Commissioners also recommended there be more than one officer present whenever possible to ensure everyone's safety.

M:/Swope: Accept the Redwood City Police Department Inspection Report as submitted by Commissioners Swope, Gibbs & Co-Vice Chair Thadaney. **Approved** unanimously.

V. Update on Phoenix Program

DCPO Rich Hori said the Department is continuing to develop the Phoenix Reentry Program (PREP). Youth will enter the program either through the Courts or through identification of youth in the facility by Probation staff. Probation has met with the Juvenile Court to discuss possible conditions of probation, special privileges, home passes, sentence modifications, et cetera, for youth in the program. Next steps include meeting with BHRS and outside service providers to expand services both inside and outside of the facility.

Rick Halpern, Managing Attorney of the Private Defender Program, said the PDP has not been officially involved in the planning process up to this point. Hori acknowledged the process has been an internal one so far, but Probation intends to reach out to system partners in the coming weeks as the PREP framework is further developed.

Judge Jakubowski said PREP is in the outline and development phases and the next steps will include getting input from the PDP and the DA's office.

VI. Report Outs

Chair Gustafson reported the Commission's letter to the Board of Supervisors regarding Juvenile Hall alternatives had been sent out. No further action had been reported as of the date of the June meeting.

Commissioner Swope provided an update on the County's "Big Lift" program which focuses on boosting student literacy and achievement. The program's goal is to get 80 percent of children reading proficiently by third grade. In 2016, only 50 percent of the County's children were reading proficiently by third grade. The first cohort 1895 students served.

Commissioner Swope shared information from Child Abuse Prevention Council of San Mateo County meeting on June 17, 2019. Swope said Laray Hilt of CASA of San Mateo reported at the meeting that CASA has sufficient CASA volunteers to meet current needs, such that minors are able to be assigned CASAs when one is requested. This is one of the first times this has ever happened and it is a welcome development.

Commissioner Wilson shared information about the May 29, 2019 Hillcrest School graduation ceremony. The ceremony was uplifting and inspiring. Staff were supportive of youth who may have not had family present, which further demonstrates the level of care the school and probation staff have for youth in custody. Observers reported some areas for improvement, including more focus on the accomplishments of the graduates. The JJDPC offers congratulations to all the graduates.

VII. Court Remarks and Discussion

Judge Jakubowski said the Juvenile Court continues to have monthly meetings with HSA, Probation, DA's Office & PDP to discuss shared issues. She said the Court is still working on developing a CSEC protocol as well as competency protocol.

Judge Jakubowski also said she participated in a recent meeting about the Phoenix Garden project and hopes there is a way to possibly involve incarcerated youth in the development or maintenance of the garden in the future.

Judge Jakubowski said the Juvenile Court has started using plea forms in recent weeks. She said the Court will be reviewing the forms and making changes as needed to improve efficiencies and comprehension by the minor.

VIII. Private Defender Program

Rick Halpern, Managing Attorney of the Private Defender Program, discussed lack of education services for youth in the Juvenile Hall who have completed high school. He pointed out that Senate Bill 716 would require county probation departments to make online college classes available to youth in detention who've earned high school diplomas or certificates.

DCPO Hori said Probation will hold a meeting with County Office of Education to determine if additional education services are available for recently graduated youth.

Commissioner MacAvoy said it is important to offer graduates courses for which they could earn college credit.

IX. County Office of Education Remarks and Discussion

No report.

X. Youth Commission Report

Sathvik Nori reported that the San Mateo Youth Commission is out of session for the summer. He will be rejoining when the Youth Commission reconvenes in the fall.

XI. Probation

DCPO Hori reported that the JH population is currently 38 (31 males, 7 females) and Camp Kemp's population is 7. There are also 4 girls in the Girls Empowerment Program.

DCPO Michelle Kozul reported 288 youth were on supervision at the end of May 2019. Of those, 79 percent were male. Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (4%), Asian (5%), Other Race, Ethnicity of Origin (9%), Black or African American (7%), White (14%), Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origin (60%). Kozul also said there are currently 8 youth on probation with general placement orders, including four youth placed outside of San Mateo County. There are also 10 AB-12 youth in the system currently.

XII. 2019 Project Updates

- a. Youth Court – Commissioner Winter and Chair Gustafson said they are working toward setting up a stakeholder meeting in September 2019 to look at ways to implement a Youth Court Program in San Mateo County.
- b. User Test – Commissioner MacAvoy said she completed the Juvenile Hall Admissions “User Test” on June 19, 2019. MacAvoy participated in a mock booking so she could gain insight into what the booking process was like from a juvenile’s perspective. She said she would provide a report on her findings, but overall, she didn’t have any major concerns, although she suggested staff could be more sensitive in the sexual-orientation questioning part of the booking process. DCPO Hori invited MacAvoy to return to the YSC to share her findings with the Admissions staff.
- c. Parent Guide – Commissioners Wilson and Swope reported that progress was slow for the Parent Guide, however, Chair Gustafson said the Commission hopes to put out the first version of the Parent Guide by year’s end.
- d. Other Open or Proposed Projects – *No discussion.*

XIII. Commissioner Comments/Announcements

Commissioner Swope said she will be doing an Introduction to Restorative Practices and Circles from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on July 22 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. RSVPs required.

Commissioner Wilson provided an update on San Mateo County’s Community Collaboration for Children’s Success project. Unfortunately, after much research and planning, she said the project appears to have stalled due to lack of funding.

Chair Gustafson reminded the Commission about the CCPCA Conference & Training: August 27-30, 2019 in South Lake Tahoe. There is a special registration fee for the whole conference (3 days, \$250) for JJDP members or a reduced registration fee for just the JJDP Training (\$85). See <https://www.cppca.org/registration-information-1>. Register by 8/16/19 for this rate.

Meeting adjourned 7:15 p.m.



PROBATION DEPARTMENT COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Institutions Division Population

As of June 19, 2019

Gender	# of Youth	Percentage
Females	7	18%
Males	33	83%

Total Population 40

Highest Level of Sustained Charges		
Charges	# of Youth	Percentage
Felonies	26	65%
Misdemeanors	7	18%
Pre-Disposition	7	18%

Youth Age Range		
Age	# of Youth	Percentage
Under 12	0	0%
12	0	0%
13	0	0%
14	4	10%
15	5	13%
16	8	20%
17	17	43%
18	6	15%

Summary of Sustained Charges

Post-Disposition		
Offense	Charge	Description
Fel	PC487(c), PC29610, PC245(a)(4)	Grand Theft; Minor in Possession of Stun Gun; Assault Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury
Fel	PC245(a)(4), PC25850(a), PC25400(a)(1), PC29610, PC29650, PC460(b), VC10851(A), PC29610	Assault Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury; Carry Loaded Firearm in Public; Carrying a Concealed Firearm in Vehicle: Minor in Possession of Firearm; Possession of Ammunition by Minor; Second Degree Burglary; Vehicle Theft
Fel	PC245(A)(1)	Assault with a Deadly Weapon
Fel	PC422(a), PC422	Criminal Threats
Fel	VC10851(A)	Vehicle Theft
Fel	PC459	Burglary
Fel	PC664/211, PC245(a)(4), PC245(a)(4), PC594(b)(1)	Attempted Robbery; Assault Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury; Vandalism \$400 or More
Fel	PC25400(a)(1), PC246.3(a)	Carrying a Concealed Firearm in Vehicle: Willful Discharge of Firearm
Fel	PC212.5(A), PC245(a)(4), PC 186.22(b)(1)(B), PC 186.22(b)(1)(B)	First Degree Robbery; Assault Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury with Gang Enhancement
Fel	PC245(a)(4), PC 186.22(b)(1)(A)	Assault Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury with Gang Enhancement
Fel	PC245(a)(4), PC186.22(a), PC242	Assault Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury with Gang Enhancement; Battery
Fel	PC29610 F	Minor in Possession of Firearm
Fel	PC460(A), PC626.9(b)	First Degree Burglary; Possession of Firearm on School Grounds
Fel	VC10851(a), PC245(a)(4), PC594(a)(1)	Vehicle Theft; Assault Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury; Vandalism Under \$400

Pre-Disposition		
Offense	Charge	Description
Felony	PC245(a)(4)	Assault with Force Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury
Felony	PC460(b), PC487	Second Degree Burglary; Grand Theft
Felony	PC285, PC261.5(c)	Incest; Unlawful Sexual Intercourse
Felony	PC212.5(C)	Robbery
Felony	PC664/187(a), PC 12022.53(c), PC 186.22(b)(1)(c), PC25850(c)(4)	Attempted Murder, with special allegations personal discharge of a firearm and gang enhancement; Prohibited Person in Possession of Loaded Firearm
Felony	VC20001(a), PC182(A)(1), PC460(b), PC487(a), PC496(a)	Reckless Evading; Conspiracy; Second Degree Burglary; Grand Theft; Possession of Stolen Property
Felony	PC245(a)(4), PC136.1(a)(1)	Assault with Force Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury; Witness Tampering

San Mateo County Juvenile Hall Booking Data, June 1-June 23, 2019

31 TOTAL BOOKINGS (EXCLUDING WEEKENDERS & CAMP KEMP MEDICAL HOLDS)

25	Male
6	Female
16.4	Avg. Age
2	Gang Affiliation
2	Weapons Related
10	First Time in Custody
16	Felony Booking

BOOKINGS BY CITY OF RESIDENCE

5	East Palo Alto
4	San Mateo
8	Redwood City
4	South San Francisco
3	San Francisco
2	San Bruno
1	Half Moon bay
1	Portola Valley
1	Foster City
1	Menlo Park
1	Moss Beach

Bookings by Race	Total	Male	Female	Percentage
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish Origin	23	20	3	74%
Black or African American	2	0	2	6%
White	2	2	0	6%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	2	2	0	6%
Other Race, Ethnicity, or Origin	1	0	1	3%
Asian	1	1	0	3%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0	0	0	0%
TOTAL	31	25	6	100%

Juveniles in Custody at YSC: 6 a.m., June 24, 2019

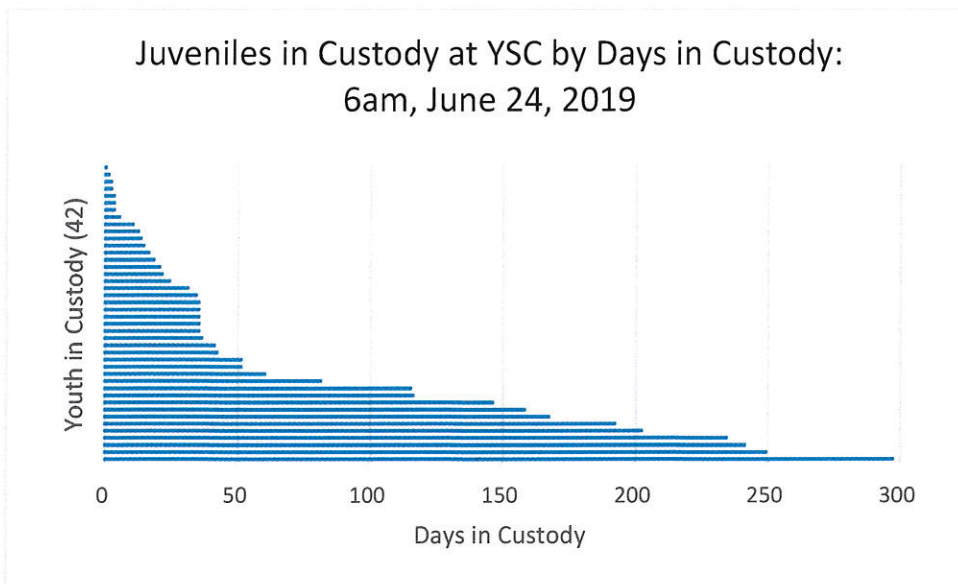
Males: 34

Females: 8

Average Days in Custody: 69.7

Average Age: 16.8

Juvenile Hall Population by Race	Total	Male	Female	Percentage
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish Origin	27	23	4	64%
Black or African American	4	2	2	10%
White	4	2	2	10%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	3	3	0	7%
Other Race, Ethnicity, or Origin	0	0	0	0%
Asian	3	3	0	7%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1	1	0	2%
TOTAL	42	34	8	100%



Juvenile Fees

JJDPC

JUNE 25, 2019

County of San Mateo Revenue Services

- **Update from last meeting**
- **Pilot mailing**
- **Number of accounts and potential impacts**
- **Next steps**

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Update from JJDPC Meeting

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PILOT

- Revenue Services mailed 100 letters (by certified mail) to parents throughout San Mateo County.

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PILOT

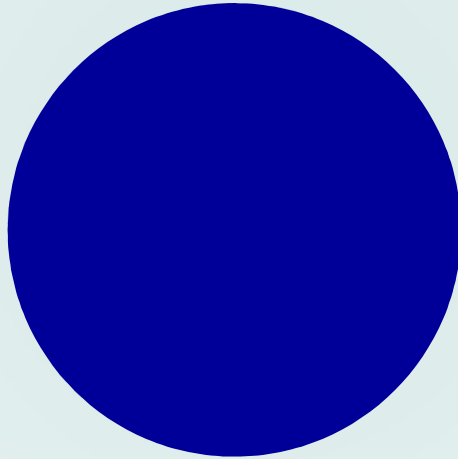
- To date, we have received one request to release lien.

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Number of Accounts and Potential Impacts

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Estimate 23,000 Liens, Abstracts of Judgment and Court Judgments
processed by Revenue Services



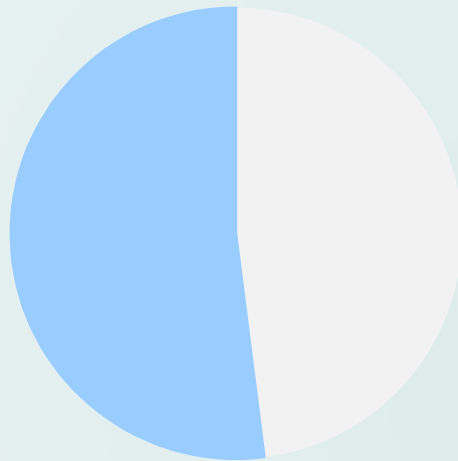
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None of these will appear on a credit report



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11,000 have been released, satisfied or expired



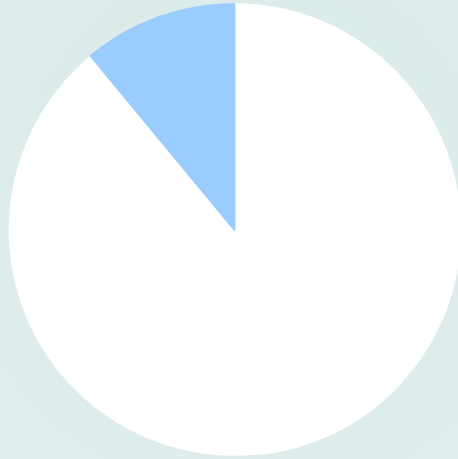
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9,400 are not public record



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Remaining 2,600 are public record, and thus available
through a public record search



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Next Steps

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Revenue Services Will:

- Mail letter to 100 accounts/families per month
- Families invited to contact Revenue Service to expedite satisfaction/release
- Will continue to release/satisfy upon request
- Work with application vendor to try to locate more on system

County of San Mateo Revenue Services

Welcome Requests, please direct to:

Laura Williams
Financial Services Manager
650-363-4082
lwilliams@smcgov.org

County of San Mateo Revenue Services

Thank You

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