

MARIN JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION (JJDPCC)

Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2019

4:30- 6:15 pm

Meeting location: Marin Court Appointed Special Advocates (Marin CASA) Office

I. Call to Order and Introductions

- A. JJDPCC Attendees: Robyn, Ashley, Kathy, Dana, Don, Beverly, Kipp
- B. Guests: Judge Beverly Wood, Tori Lemos, Jacklyn Hutton, Yaqub Hansim, America Velasco, Chris Sparrow, Shari Goldman

Review and approval of March 2019 Meeting Minutes
Kathy Williams, Ashley Chanthongthip, MSC

II. JJDPCC - involvement, opportunities and activities

A. Youth Officers Roundtable

- 1. Marijuana working group update
 - 1. Don attended the MCOE presentation and met with the Connection Coalition. The Coalition is concerned about the proposal to open two marijuana retail shops in Fairfax.
- 2. Mental Health 101 recap
 - 1. Positive feedback from participants, with lessons learned/improvements for next time. Discussion was limited, due to time. Cio (speaker) really helped participants relate to their own teen experiences. Ideas for future YORs – mental health and substance use/abuse.

B. Research –“Vanishing Violence,” San Francisco Chronicle

- 1. Decrease in youth crime and what to do with empty juvenile hall. Why has this number decreased? More services to youth, attention to ethnic disparities, less youth incarceration, etc. Tori will share the C-PAC article with attendees.

C. Minor Detention Facility Inspections

- 1. Mill Valley Police Department and San Rafael Police Department have held youth in 2018. Interested Commissioners: Kathy, Kipp, Chris, Ashley, America, Yaqub, (Jacklyn). Robyn will follow up with assignments.

III. Updates, reports, follow-ups

A. Juvenile Hall Update

- 1. VOPs are often related to Electronic Monitoring and for the child’s own safety.
- 2. Total: 6 boys, 7 girls. Some concerns about gangs, mental health status,
- 3. An ART (Anger Replacement Therapy) group is beginning next week.

B. Youth Court Update

- 1. SRPD Youth Services Bureau is closing. Youth Court has seen many more cases, most from Davidson Middle School and Venetia Valley. Youth Court has 4 Spanish speaking case managers.
- 2. 11 and 12-year olds are learning to vape, which is leading to more serious drugs. Concern about dabbing and oils leading to psychotic breaks.

3. YC is starting a boxing program.
4. YC is looking for bilingual staff.

C. Commission

1. Need for Youth Commissioners
2. Additional Potential Commissioners
& Commissioner status
 1. Chris, America and Yaqub are working on their JJDPC applications.
 2. Richard Carlton, CASA, is also interested.

D. Commission Officers Update

1. Robyn will be leaving in mid-June.
2. We are looking for another co-chair for the Commission.

IV. **Guest Speaker:** Laura McDonnell, Next Steps Liaison Project (Emotional Literacy and the garden program, Slide Ranch volunteers)

- A. Slide Ranch interns: community service hours, can apply to be a youth intern or a youth leader
- B. Emotional Literacy: Power Source (written by youth involved in juvenile court), meditation, questions, discussions
- C. Gardening: in Juvenile Hall and at Slide Ranch. The gardening program is complemented by the Power Source curriculum.

V. Next steps

A. Upcoming **dates:** 5/7, 6/4, 7/2

B. Announcements/New Business

1. How can the Commission support the renovation of Juvenile Hall, to create the Youth Services Center?
2. The County is starting to facilitate talks between CFS and the juvenile justice system, to see if we can create a dual protocol/dual status in Marin. Kids would have access to more resources.
3. School Works: Probation officers will be on-site at Davidson Middle School and Venetia Valley to identify families before they get into the system. Due to start in the Fall.