

**MARIN COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY
PREVENTION COMMISSION (JJDPC)**

AGENDA

May 4, 2021

4:30 to 6:15 pm

Meeting location:

ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83867510269>

- I. Introductions and meeting call to order 4:30-4:45pm
 - A. Alexa Davidson (Co-chair of the Commission)
 - B. Don Carney (Co-chair and Director of Youth Transforming Justice)
 - C. Judge Wood (Juvenile Judge focuses on delinquency and dependency)
 - D. Tori Lemons (Director of Juvenile Hall)
 - E. Chief Marlon Washington (Chief of Probation)
 - F. Kathy Williams (Commissioner and Board Chair of Bridge the Gap College Prep)
 - G. Antonio Zavala (Commissioner and works with Youth Transforming Justice)
 - H. Richard Carlton (Commissioner and Case Supervisor for Marin Court of Special Advocates)
 - I. Scott Eberle (Commissioner and San Rafael PD Officer)
 - J. Doug Cooper (not a commissioner)
 - K. Athena (Commissioner and UCSB student)
 - L. Sayra Soriano (Youth Health Educator with BACR)
 - M. Savanna Williams (Commissioner and works with Seneca of Marin)
 - N. Veronica Geretz (Commissioner and yoga instructor)

- II. Commissioner updates, roles, responsibilities 4:45 - 5:00pm
 - A. Savanna Williams and Veronica Geretz are new commissioners, Jack Parnell is close
 - B. Per bylaws we need more younger commissioners (ages 14-21)
 - C. Future speakers the commissions would like to hear from: Jahmeer Reynolds with Marin County Cooperations Team, school counselor Jessica Colvin, Jei Africa with Marin County Health, high school students from SURJ or Soar, Cindy Ayala with Marin County Probation who Chief Washington will try scheduling for June 1st 5:30-6:15pm

III. School Safety Team - Discussion

5:00-5:30pm

A. How to make the SRO recommendations are more educational – focus on the group this report was intended for

1. Youth

- a. Recommend that SRO change their uniform while on school campus to not intimidate the students
- b. Educate students on the role of SRO's

2. School

- a. Schools have a more active role in picking the right SRO's
- b. What qualities/characteristics are desired in an SRO
- c. Changing the name from SRO to school liaisons as a way for the school to demonstrate their willingness to redefine the role of law enforcement on campus

3. Community

IV. Proposed future areas of focus and activities

5:30-6:00pm

A. What areas of interest does the commission want to return to doing or pursue in the future

1. Return of the Police Round Table

2. Mental Health (inpatient/outpatient)

- a. How to better connect youth to mental health services
- b. Mental health plays out as anger and violence, hence the reason why juveniles with mental health issues are incarcerated – how to fix this?

3. Understanding what factors lead to a juvenile being tried as an adult

- a. Prop 57 and Welfare and Institutions 707

4. Network with other Juvenile Justice Delinquency Commissions in the state and push for legislation to allocate funding to mental health resources for juveniles

- a. Use the SRO data we've collected and encourage other Juvenile Justice Delinquency Commissions to look into their county's juvenile arrest records
- b. Contact Dana Pepp and get the contact information for the paid Juvenile Justice Delinquency Commissioner in Sonoma County – Judge Wood has a close connection with the Sonoma County Juvenile Judge

V. Updates, reports, follow-ups 6:00-6:15pm

A. Juvenile Hall Updates

1. Three males in juvenile hall, and another one was released in the morning – in juvenile hall for violating probation (numerous graduated sanctions), leaving court ordered placement, or because of severe mental health issues
2. All juveniles have now been vaccinated
3. Probation and courts are continuing to try to keep juveniles out of the juvenile hall during the pandemic
4. Yoga has returned, gardening continues, and visitation is happening via Zoom
5. Marin County has five beds for wards of the court but foster parents can refuse kids
 - a. Juvenile can no longer be sent to out of state placement
 - b. The placement a juvenile is referred to depends on the risk the juvenile possess to himself and others
 - c. Juveniles on probation can't live with foster children in a placement like setting

B. Youth Court Update

1. Re-entry circles are continuing in Venetia Valley K-8

VI. Close 6:15-6:30pm

A. *Upcoming meeting dates: 6/1, 7/6, 8/3, 9/7*