

Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission

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JULY 11, 2025 MEETING

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Scott Marsh, Esperanza Montana-Culbertson, Vanessa Curl, Percilla Stevenson, Kate Gaston, Libbe Madsen (Remote), Tanya Estrada-Ruiz (Remote)

OTHERS PRESENT: John Bednar, Judge Carly Dolan, Kim Turner (Remote), Josh Martinez (Weaving Wellness), Brian Williams (Weaving Wellness)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Sarah Martin, Marquez Gibson, Josephine Pady

The meeting was called to order at 12:16 pm by Kate Gaston, Commissioner.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
 - a. Welcome and Introductions
 - b. Additions or Corrections to Agenda
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**
 - a. **STUDENT SURVEY:** Commissioner Estrada-Ruiz created a survey to be completed by the native communities at Big Time regarding school attendance and asked for approval to add the commission's information to the survey. Commissioner Marsh moved to approve the addition of the commission to the survey; Commissioner Curl seconded the motion. Commissioner Gaston asked her to please email the survey to Ms. Turner for the commission's information.
3. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 13, 2025 MEETING (ATTACHMENT):** After discussion, the Commissioners approved the June 13, 2025 meeting minutes. Commissioner Curl moved to approve; Commissioner Estrada-Ruiz seconded.
4. **PROBATION REPORT:** Mr. Bednar provided the probation report for Chief Locatelli who is attending the CPOC meeting. Probation just signed a contract with Glenn County so Juvenile Hall will begin accepting some of Glenn's youth when their Juvenile Hall is full. The juvenile probation officer reported that things are pretty much status quo and moving smoothly. Two new probation officers have been hired for the adult probation side.
5. **JUVENILE HALL REPORT:** Mr. Bednar reported that there are nine youth in the facility. Four of the youth are from Lake County, one is from Del Norte County, and one is from Glenn County. They have been averaging about nine youth in the facility recently. The Board of State Community Corrections inspection is the week of August 4th. He reminded the commission that he really needs to have the JJDPC Inspection report before the BSCC inspection. He would like to have the report the week prior to the scheduled inspection.
6. **PRESENTATION FROM JOSH MARTINEZ AND BRIAN WILLIAMS, WEAIVING WELLNESS (ATTACHMENTS):** Mr. Williams reported that Weaving Wellness began as a result of the

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effect that the COVID-19 pandemic had on children's social skills and their decision making processes in their family, friends, and future employers. They use Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) in their work. It works really well with people who have developmental differences and with people who are struggling with substance abuse. It is also great as a parenting strategy. They are working on combining these strategies with their traditional teachings. They are relatively small and work with organizations creating programs that work specifically for them and their needs using the ABA foundation. They have been able to create workforce opportunities for young people in the native communities that raise money for organizations in the area. Their organization has a contract with MCOE, the Round Valley School District, and also received funding through grants, as well as fee for service payments. They work with native communities and underserved communities in general. Ms. Turner asked if there are pamphlets regarding the organization for the commission to review. Mr. Williams directed the commissioners to their website: <https://weavingwdm.com/>. They do not have office space. They go directly to the youth and their homes, schools, or programs. They are not currently set up for individual referrals. They would like to eventually work on the prevention side as well.

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

STUDENT MEMBERS: Commissioner Gower has resigned. He is leaving for college soon and is unable to continue with the commission. Commissioner Montana-Culbertson will be able to continue serving on the commission during her senior year. Ms. Turner asked Commissioner Montana-Culbertson to invite other students or individuals under the age of 21 to apply for the commission.

REPORT ON APRIL 18, 2025 INSPECTION OF JUVENILE HALL: Ms. Turner will follow up with Commissioner Martin regarding the status of the inspection report.

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

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** After discussion, it was agreed that the next JJDPc meeting will be held on August 8, 2025 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 1:06 p.m.

MINUTES COMPLETE

Submitted by Kim Weston