

# Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission

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## APRIL 11, 2025 MEETING

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Sarah Martin, Kate Gaston, Libbe Madsen (Remote), Vanessa Curl (Remote), Marquez Gibson (Remote), Josie Pady (Remote)

OTHERS PRESENT: John Bednar, Kim Turner, Laura Elizares (Habemate/Pomo ICWA Advocate), Kim Weston

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Tanya Estrada-Ruiz, Scott Marsh, Bode Gower

The meeting was called to order at 12:06 pm by JJDPC Chairperson, Sarah Martin.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
  - a. Welcome and Introductions
  - b. Additions or Corrections to Agenda
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** None.
3. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 10, 2025 MEETING (ATTACHMENT):** After discussion, the Commissioners approved the January 10, 2025 meeting minutes. Ms. Curl moved to approve; Ms. Martin seconded.
4. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 14, 2025 MEETING (ATTACHMENT):** After discussion, the Commissioners approved the February 14, 2025 meeting minutes. Ms. Martin moved to approve; Ms. Madsen seconded.
5. **PROBATION REPORT:** No report given.
6. **JUVENILE HALL REPORT:** Mr. Bednar reported there are sixteen youth in the facility: eleven males, and five females. Five of the youth are from Lake County and one is from Del Norte County. They are about ready to move forward on resurfacing the basketball court. They need a few more clearances before they can start. They will need to remove a tree and are looking into areas they can plant a replacement tree. The project will take two to three weeks to complete. They are also moving forward with the improvements in Units A and B. It will take approximately three to four days to complete the work. Staffing is stable. Juvenile Hall is due for the JJDPC inspection. The BSCC inspection is scheduled for August.
7. **DISCUSSION OF DEL NORTE TEEN COURT PROGRAM:** Mr. Bednar reminded the Commissioners that we currently have a Restorative Youth Court paid for out of the JJDPC budget. After discussion, it was agreed that Ms. Martin will reach out to Christina Wilson at the Arbor to ask for additional information on how youth are referred to the program and what is available through the program.
8. **DISCUSSION ON SPEAKERS FOR JJDPC MEETINGS:** After discussion, the commissioners agreed upon the following agencies to contact for future meeting presentations:
  1. Boys and Girls Club
  2. Family Resource Center

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3. First Five of California
4. Speaker concerning Tribal Education (Title 9)
5. Missing Indigenous Women/Youth

Commissioner Pady will arrange for a speaker for the May meeting. Commissioner Gaston will arrange for a speaker for the June meeting.

## 9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

**JJDPC ANNUAL INSPECTION OF JUVENILE HALL:** After discussion, it was agreed that Commissioners Gibson, Martin, Pady, and Gaston will inspect the Hall on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. All commissioners attending the inspection are to have reviewed previous inspection reports and forms to familiarize themselves with the process.

**POLICY COUNCIL ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH:** Commissioner Gaston reminded the panel that there is a vacant seat on the PCCY for a commissioner from the JJDPC. Commissioner Pady will reach out to the council for appointment/application information.

**JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL:** Commissioner Gaston reminded the panel that the commissioners need to nominate someone from the commission to sit on the JJCC. The JJCC meets twice a year. The next meeting is 9/26/25. Katie Ford can provide additional information on the council.

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

**TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:** Commissioner Martin requested the commissioners think of additional topics for future meetings.

**STATEWIDE JJDPC MEETING:** Commissioner Martin reported that she will be attending this meeting. They will be discussing SB48 and safe access to schools regarding ICE and Immigration actions. She will provide a report at the next meeting.

**PROVIDING SPEAKER INFORMATION TO COURT ADMIN:** Ms. Turner requested that the commissioners let Court Administration know about scheduled speakers so the information and any attachments provided can be sent out with the monthly meeting agenda.

## 11. **ADJOURNMENT:** After discussion, it was agreed that the next JJDPC meeting will be held on May 9, 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 12:51 p.m.

MINUTES COMPLETE

Submitted by Kim Weston