

**ALAMEDA COUNTY  
JJCC SB 823 SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
May 26, 2022  
Microsoft Teams Teleconference  
12:30-1:53 p.m.**

**JJCC Subcommittee Members or Designees Present:**

Marcus Dawal, ACPD	Caryn Quezada, District 1 Representative
Matt Golde, DA	Ericson Amaya Bonilla, Free Our Kids Coalition
Alphonso Mance, PD	Erin Palacios, District 3 Representative
Michelle Love, SSA-CWS	Trevor Arceneaux, District 4 Representative
Juan Taizan, ACBH	Xochtil Larios, Youth Representative
Monica Vaughan, ACOE	Andrea Zambrana, Conflict Counsel
Vamsey Palagummi, JJDPC	

**Meeting Participants:**

Louise Anderson, JJDPC	Judge Ursula Jones Dickson, Superior Court
Holly Axe, ACPD	Larry Johnson, ACPD
Naseem Badiy, ACPD	Shahidah Lacy, BOS, D5
Rodney Brooks, PD	Raymond Lara, County Counsel
Yasmine Burke, ACPD	Donna Linton, Impact Justice
Christopher Carson, ACPD	Tammy McGuire, ACPD
Laura Chavez, ACPD	Carissa Pappas, ACPD
Audrey Clubb, ACPD	Charles Pattillo, ACPD
Tiffani Dyke, ACPD	Fina Perez, ACPD
Brian Ford, ACPD	James Rivers, ACPD
Alex Garcia, ACPD	Derryl Stewart, BOS, D4
Christine Gerchow, ACBH	Robert Walton, ACPD
Brenda Gomez, BOS, D2	Rebecca Wegley, ACPD
Lisa Harris, AC Library	Anna Kane, ACPD (recorder)
Judge Scott Jackson, Superior Court	

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Needed
1. Welcome and Roll Call		
2. Continue Virtual Meetings	<p>A motion was made by Andrea Zambrana to continue the declaration of emergency recommendations for social distancing issued by Alameda County Health Care Services Agency and adopt findings in support of continued teleconference meetings as per AB 361. Al Mance seconded the motion. Motion passed.</p>	
3. Approval of Minutes	<p>A motion was made by Juan Taizan to approve the meeting minutes dated 2/24/22. Al Mance seconded the motion. Motion did not pass and will be revisited at the next meeting.</p>	
4. Status of SB 823 Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submitted plan to OYCR; additional data was requested from all counties; data provided to OYCR is included in Plan Addendum provided</li> </ul> <p><b>What is OYCR's role? Will they be approving the plan? Will they supervise implementation?</b> We are waiting for clarification of the role. ACPD is moving forward with implementation of the plan.</p> <p><b>Please discuss the OYCR's concern about net-widening.</b> OYCR is keeping track and will present a report to the governor.</p> <p><b>Describe the classification policy and its goals.</b> The primary goal is to keep youth safe. Seven youth will be returning from DJJ sooner than expected. We have to consider youth's age, level of maturity, sophistication, etc. We are planning to open a second unit when the number of youths increase.</p> <p><b>When will the next unit be ready?</b> We have started to prepare a second unit</p> <p><b>How did you decide which will be the new SB 823 Unit?</b> The new unit is adjacent to unit 3 and has some shared space.</p> <p><b>What are the offenses of the youth that were committed to secure track?</b> This data will be presented later in the meeting. The data presentation has been provided to all.</p>	

5. Status of SB 823 Implementation

**What did you present to OYCR?**

Please see the attached Plan Addendum.

- ACPD originally projected 5 youth per year based on past DJJ data. There are currently 14-15 youth at JJC that are in for serious offenses. Youth are also returning sooner from DJJ. Our projections have been updated.

**How many staff bid into the unit?**

Six staff bid into unit 3.

**Is school in-person right now?**

School has been in-person since July.

**How is Behavioral Health prioritizing staffing for the school?**

Behavioral Health is actively recruiting.

- Yasmin Burke Taylor is the Division Director over SB 823
- Youth have a variety of programs including:
  - ROP
  - Family Spring
  - Dragon Slayer
  - Growth
  - In-person yoga and mindfulness
  - Hope and Wellness
  - 6 youth enrolled in Laney classes
  - Other youth in high school
  - 3 youth set to graduate next month; also in dual enrollment and taking college classes
  - One youth enrolled in a parenting program and electrician training which is starting in July
  - Other leisure activities including gym, blacktop, etc.

**How often do the youth get out to the blacktop?**

Currently two times a week; trying to increase to three. Twelve new Probation staff returning from training, so more staff will be available. Also, ACOE will take youth out to the blacktop for PE

**Can youth get to the blacktop every day?**

That's our goal. We are working on it.

**What is the engagement rate?**

Most youth participate in programs. When youth choose not to participate they are given a choice to do something different.

**Have staffing issues impacted programming?**

No

**Have there been any conversations with the youth regarding what programs they would like to see?**

The youth have provided us with their thoughts regarding what they think is missing, such as learning about real estate, stock market, financial planning, etc. Probation will look into implementing some of the ideas.

**Is the youth's schedule finalized? Can it be shared?**

Yes. The schedule was emailed to the group for review.

A request was made to distribute a flyer regarding the June 22 event.

**Is Probation meeting the minimum standard of having the youth out one hour per day? When the staffing issues are addressed, will Probation meet the minimum?**

Probation is meeting large muscle exercise requirement and youth are outside for a minimum of one hour per day. There is outdoor space attached to all housing units. Probation is not required to take youth to the blacktop, however that is the goal.

**What type of activities take place in the outdoor space?**

It can be used for group or one-on-one activities. The school uses that space as well. Youth can also use the gym for exercise. They do get out quite a bit.

**Is ACOE doing PE? Does Unit 3 go to the gym?**

Unit 3 goes to the gym twice a week. Probation staff also take youth out to the gym as schedule permits.

Facilities Update

- Met with Greater New Beginnings to explore possibility of step-down options for SB 823 youth. The leadership was not willing to accept this population into their program.

**Can Camp be secured to use as a step-down option?**

Probation will be presenting to the Public Protection Committee in their July meeting supporting the fencing. It would be up to the Court to decide whether Camp can be used as a step-down option.

**What are the current step-down options?**

The legislation does not define what a step-down is. We need to continue this conversation.

**How soon will there be a youth that is ready for a step-down?**

The court believes this could be as early as January.

Comment	<p>Are youth or family members involved in the step-down process? Is there a dedicated team besides probation working on this goal? There should be a timeline provided for a solution.</p>	
Data	<p>Requested data was presented by Probation. The presentation document was made available to the public.</p> <p>It was suggested that a special meeting be scheduled to allow the Free Our Kids (FOK) Coalition more time for their presentation. A Doodle poll will be sent out to determine the members' availability.</p> <p>Adjourned 2:28 p.m.</p>	

DRAFT