ALAMEDA COUNTY JJCC SB 823 SUBCOMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

March 30, 2023, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

JJC, 2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA, Room C1002 Microsoft Teams Teleconference Option Available

JJCC Subcommittee Members or Designees Present:

Brian Ford, ACPD	Otis Bruce, DA
Al Mance, PD	Alan Yu, OPD
Michelle Love, SSA-CWS	Erickson Amaya, FOK
Christine Gerchow, ACBH	Judge Lupe Garcia, Court Representative
Monica Vaughan, ACOE	Vamsey Palagummi, JJDPC
Andrea Zambrana, Conflict Counsel	Emily Young, DPN

Meeting Participants:

Louise Anderson, JJDPC	Edy Elias, ACPD
Atkins-Loria, Sascha, PD	Alex Garcia, ACPD
Holly Axe, ACPD	Shahidah Lacy, BOS D5
Naseem Badiey, ACPD	Brandon Miller, Impact Justice
Rodney Brooks, PD	Erin Palacios, Youth Law Center
Yasmin Burke, ACPD	Carissa Pappas, ACPD
Adrienne Chambers, ACPD	Laura Ridolfi, Burns Institute
Shauna Conner, ACPD	Anna Kane, ACPD (recorder)
Scott Dickey, County Counsel	

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Needed
1. Welcome and Roll Call		
2. Approval of minutes	A motion was made by Al Mance to approve the January 17, 2023 minutes. Alan Yu seconded the motion. Motion passed.	
3. SB 823 Subcommittee Statutory Requirements Review	 New Subcommittee members to be approved on April 4, 2023 by the Board of Supervisors Quorum requirements were reviewed by County Counsel A concern was expressed about the meeting going forward without five community representatives and the youth representative 	

- County Counsel confirmed that the state statute trumps the Board action.
- It was asked whether, going forward, the terms of the members can coincide with the due date of the plan

4. Step-down Options Document Review and Edit

- SB 92 statute was reviewed
- Alameda County Probation Department Step-down document was reviewed.
- The draft document Step-down Options was reviewed
- The Subcommittee plan is due to the state by May 1, 2023. Failure to submit the plan on time, forfeits \$7.3M of funding
- The Board of Supervisors is not required to receive or approve the report
- The original plan was submitted to the state by January 1, 2022.
 Since the original plan submission, the Subcommittee approved one addendum regarding programming for girls and gender expansive youth
- The Subcommittee's goal at this meeting is to work on a second addendum regarding step-down options and take action
- If no action is taken today, ACPD can submit the existing plan to comply with the OYCR deadline. Additionally, Probation will continue to develop step-down options for the youth in their care
- It was suggested that the Subcommittee work to combine ideas in the two existing step-down documents
- The Judge clarified that any youth going to step-down will remain in the secure track commitment.
- There was a question as to whether STRTPs would accept youth with a secure track order. Further confirmation would be needed
- It was the court's belief that a secure track order would have to be terminated in order for a youth to go to the STRTP
- It was decided to leave the Foster Care and the STRTP options in the plan

A motion was made by Monica Vaughan to strike the language that says "Actively available..." in blue ink on item #2 and item #4 in the ACPD Step-Down Options document. The motion was seconded by Andrea Zambrana. Motion passed.

Edit the language as per the motion

Public Comments

Two Subcommittee members left the meeting. The number of members for quorum remained and the meeting continued.

A motion was made by Brian Ford and seconded by Al Mance to add the following sentences to the end of the introductory paragraph of the ACPD Step-Down Options document. "An integral part of any step-down program is ensuring that the youth are provided services to meet their needs upon their return to the community. The services that shall be put in place include but are not limited to physical and mental health care, education, housing, and vocational training." The motion was withdrawn by Brian Ford.

A motion was made by Brian Ford to add the following sentences to the end of the introductory paragraph of the ACPD Step-Down Options document. "An integral part of any less restrictive program is ensuring that the youth are provided services to meet their needs upon their return to the community. The services that shall be put in place include but are not limited to physical and mental health care, education, housing, and vocational training." The motion was seconded by Al Mance. Motion passed unanimously.

Add the language as per the motion

A motion was made by Brian Ford to add the following sentences to the end of the ACPD Step-Down Options document. "The implementation of less restrictive placements is vital to the goal of removing youth from locked facilities as soon as possible while ensuring community safety. Accordingly, stakeholders will continue to work collaboratively to effectively identify, provide, and access funding streams." The motion was seconded by Monica Vaughan. The motion passed unanimously.

Add the language as per the motion

Public Comments

A motion was made by Brian Ford to remove the words "step-down" and replace them with "less restrictive" in the ACPD document. Al Mance seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Edit the language as per the motion

A motion was made by Al Mance to strike the words "Currently Used Less Restrictive Strategies for Placing Youth" from the document and replace the number 1 under that heading with number 7 and the number 2 from the next page with the number 8. The motion was seconded by Brian Ford. Motion passed unanimously.

Edit the language as per the motion

A motion was made by Brian Ford to adopt the document titled Alameda County Probation Department Secure Track Youth Treatment Program as modified in today's meeting with all of the edits as approved by this body. And that this body approve the submission of this document as an addendum to the original plan that was submitted January 1, in addition to submitting the section titled Programming for Girls and Gender Expansive Youth also as an addendum. The motion was seconded by Monica Vaughan. Motion was approved.

Submit the plan with both addendums

	A motion was made by Andrea Zambrana to change the words "stepdown" to "less restrictive" in the original plan. The motion was seconded by Brian Ford. The motion passed.	Edit the language as per the motion
5. List of In-person Meeting Locations	 There are two available meeting locations. JJC in San Leandro and 1111 Jackson Street in Oakland At the previous Quarterly meeting, the Subcommittee approved that all future Subcommittee meetings be held after 5 p.m. It was requested that the meeting time be revisited at the May 18 meeting so that the new members can weigh in 	Place the meeting time discussion on the May 18 agenda
	A motion was made by Andrea Zambrana that the May 18 meeting take place at 1111 Jackson Street in Oakland. The motion was seconded by Erickson Amaya. Motion passed.	
	 A request was made for Impact Justice to provide a detailed spreadsheet of the Probation Task List at the May 18 meeting It was confirmed that the plan will be submitted as a PDF in its original format 	Provide a task list spreadsheet to Subcommittee members
6. Public Comment	None	
7. Future Meeting	Next SB 823 Subcommittee Quarterly meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2023 at 6 p.m. at 1111 Jackson Street in Oakland	
8. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned 2:35 p.m.	