

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION  
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER  
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR  
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868  
Wednesday September 20, 2023  
9:00 a.m.**

## **AGENDA**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER**
- 2) ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
- 3) CORRESPONDENCE**
- 4) REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES/WORKING GROUPS**
- 5) REPORTS FROM INSPECTIONS**
- 6) REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS**
- 7) MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 8) COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**
- 9) ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY  
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION  
Wednesday September 20, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chair Perring. The meeting was held at the Betty Lou Lamoreaux Juvenile Justice Center, 341 The City Drive, Orange, California, in the second floor Commission Conference Room.

**COMMISSIONERS**

**PRESENT:** Denise Churchill  
Amy Crowley  
Judy Johnson  
Connie Marshall (WebEx)  
Wyatt McClean  
Lynda Perring, Chair  
Madelyn Rodriguez  
Jan Sturla  
MaryLou Vachet (WebEx)  
Dolores Yost, Vice Chair

**COMMISSIONERS**

**ABSENT:** Marcy Garfias  
Silvestre Lopez  
Steve Winder

**STAFF:** Lii Toelupe, Executive Administrative Assistant  
Dawn Montoya, Legal Processing Specialist

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**The corrected September 6, 2023, minutes were approved by unanimous consent.**

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS**

**A. Education**

Commissioners Johnson, Perring and Vachet gave a brief overview of the JJC Education Committee Meeting with Vern Burton, Dr. Llamas, and the head of the Orange County Department of Education, Dr. Miramontes, held on September 13, 2023.

**B. Essay and Art Contest**

Commissioner Vachet provided an update regarding the meeting with the new Probation Division Director, Regina Martinez, Dave Connor, and Rich Burman. Unit M and Unit Tango have been invited to participate in the pilot art contest, which will take place on October 19, 2023, in the MRC gym.

**C. JJC/Probation Book Club**

Commissioner Crowley gave a brief report on the Book Club. The group met to read and discuss their current book, "The Five Love Languages" by Gary Chapman. The youth opted to take the quiz before and after finishing the book to compare their results, adding to their involvement and excitement.

**REPORTS FROM INSPECTIONS**

**Hart Meats & Brady**

Commissioners Churchill and Yost provided an overview of the inspection held on September 13, 2023. The Commissioners met with the Program Administrator, Celia Vasquez and the Clinical Director, John Casey. Both homes have good relationships with schools and the youth collaborate with Monkey Business Café, which provides marketable employment skills to foster and at-risk youth. No corrective action notices given.

**REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS**

**Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership (CWSIP) Webinar**

Commissioners Churchill and Perring gave a brief overview of the CWSIP webinar held on September 7, 2023. It was led by the Social Services Agency and there were 34 attendees. The webinar discussed system improvement to reentry to foster care and motivational interviewing and training. The next meeting is scheduled for October 4, 2023.

**Foster and Kinship Care Education (FKCE) Advisory Committee Meeting**

Commissioner Johnson provided an overview of the FKCE Advisory Committee meeting held on September 12, 2023. Foster care education group, Orange County Head Start, has 26 centers and 2 home based programs in Orange County and foster youth are automatically qualified. OC Head Start also has a connection to Mary's Path. The next class is scheduled for September 27, 2023.

**JJC Education Committee Meeting**

Commissioners Johnson and Vachet gave a review of the meeting held on September 13, 2023. It was noted that Dave Connor is the newly appointed principal for the ACCESS Schools and that at the end of October, there will be an additional principal and 2 program specialists added. The next meeting will be scheduled for the end of October.

**Orange County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) Special Meeting**

Tabled to the next JJC meeting on October 4, 2023.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS/WEBINARS/INSPECTIONS**

Commissioners Churchill and Yost plan to attend the Vera's Sanctuary visit on September 21, 2023.

Commissioners Marshall and Perring are planning to attend the Keeping Youth Safe from Substance Use Webinar on September 27, 2023.

Commissioner Johnson plans to attend the CCR SOC Coordination Meeting on September 28, 2023.

Commissioners Vachet and Yost plan to attend the CSEC Steering Committee Meeting on September 28, 2023.

Commissioners Johnson and Vachet are planning to attend the SUD Subcommittee Webinar on October 3, 2023.

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Commissioners Crowley, Johnson, Vachet, Winder and Yost plan to attend the YLA Inspection on October 4, 2023.

Commissioners Crowley and Perring are planning to attend the CWSIP Meeting on October 5, 2023.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Johnson reported that she has received responses regarding the working group designed to review programs for substance abuse treatment. No date has been set, but the first meeting will take place remotely.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The executive session was convened from 10:50 a.m. – 10:51 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

*Lynda Perring*

Lynda Perring, Chair