

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION**  
**Wednesday, February 2, 2022**  
**9:00 a.m.**

## **AGENDA**

**1) CALL TO ORDER**

**2) INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & COMMENTS**

- JUVENILE COURT
- DISTRICT ATTORNEY
- PUBLIC DEFENDER (JUVENILE JUSTICE)
- PUBLIC DEFENDER (JUVENILE DEPENDENCY)
- COUNTY COUNSEL
- PROBATION DEPARTMENT
- ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
- SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY
- HEALTH CARE AGENCY, CHILDREN & YOUTH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
- HEALTH CARE AGENCY, JUVENILE HEALTH SERVICES
- CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING
- DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, INSTITUTIONAL SCHOOLS
- PUBLIC COMMENTS

**3) ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**4) COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC**

**5) REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE**

**6) OLD BUSINESS**

**7) REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES/WORKING GROUPS**

**8) REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS**

**9) MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**10) COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**11) CLOSED SESSION**

**12) ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY  
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION  
February 2, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Perring. The meeting was held remotely via video conference.

**COMMISSIONERS**

**PRESENT:** Amy Crowley  
Benjamin deMayo  
Marcy Garfias  
Cheryl Hart  
Judy Johnson  
Wyatt McClean  
Lynda Perring, Chair  
Robin Rounaghi  
Michael Schumacher  
Jan Sturla  
MaryLou Vachet  
Dolores Yost, Vice Chair

**COMMISSIONERS**

**ABSENT:** Robin Rounaghi

**STAFF:** Susan Korean, Executive Administrative Assistant  
Jessica Esquivel, Legal Processing Specialist

**GUESTS:** Stacy Ketell, Court Operations Deputy Manager II, Juvenile Court  
Arlene Speiser, Assistant Public Defender, Juvenile Justice Unit  
Seth Bank, Assistant Public Defender, Juvenile Dependency Unit  
Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, County Counsel  
Steve Sentman, Chief Probation Officer, Juvenile  
Bryan Prieto, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Juvenile  
Commander Jerrod Dahl, Orange County Sheriff's Department  
Denise Churchill, Deputy Director, Social Services Agency  
Christine Snapper, Division Director, Social Services Agency  
Kristi Fiskum, Administrative Manager II, Social Services Agency  
Alicia Lemire, Program Manager, HCA, Children & Youth Behavioral Health  
Grace Lizardo, Supervising Registered Nurse, HCA, Juvenile Health Services  
Natasha Dunlap, Licensing Program Mgr, California Community Care Licensing  
Vern Burton, Assistant Superintendent, Access Schools, DOE Institutional Schools  
Raina Lee, Coordinator, Youth Services, Department of Education  
Alison Jacques, Supervisor, Waymakers  
Hether Benjamin, Chief Program Officer, Waymakers  
Matthew Wadlinger, Chief Strategy Officer, CASA  
Nazly Restrepo, Associate Director, Project Youth Orange County Bar Foundation  
Martha Madrid, Associate Director, Project Youth Orange County Bar Foundation  
J. Michael Hughes, Attorney at Law

**COMMENTS BY JUVENILE COURT**

Stacy Ketell, Court Operations Deputy Manager II, provided an update on the new judge in Department 31.

**COMMENTS BY PUBLIC DEFENDER (JUVENILE JUSTICE)**

Arlene Speiser, Assistant Public Defender, Juvenile Justice Unit, reported no new updates at this time.

**COMMENTS BY PUBLIC DEFENDER (JUVENILE DEPENDENCY)**

Seth Bank, Assistant Public Defender, Juvenile Dependency Unit, reported all six dependency court rooms have remained functioning throughout the pandemic.

**COMMENTS BY COUNTY COUNSEL**

Dana Stits, Supervising Deputy, reported caseloads have been consistent and trainings continue to be held remotely.

**COMMENTS BY PROBATION DEPARTMENT**

Chief Steve Sentman, Probation Department, announced his plans to retire in March 2022.

Assistant Chief Bryan Prieto, Probation Department, thanked Chief Steven Sentman for his hard work and accomplishments.

**COMMENTS BY ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Commander Jerrod Dahl, Orange County Sheriff's Department, provided an update on the current drug and alcohol prevention programs available for youth and parents throughout the county.

**COMMENTS BY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY (SSA)**

Christine Snapper, Division Director, reported that SSA is looking to create a safety app for social workers in the field.

Denise Churchill, Deputy Director, reported they are still waiting on the status report from the legislature on the shelter in Orange County.

Kristi Fiskum, Administrative Manager II, provided an update on upcoming remodeling plans for Orangewood in Fall 2022.

**COMMENTS BY HEALTH CARE AGENCY, CHILDREN & YOUTH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

Alicia Lemire, Program Manager, announced new chief, Veronica Kelly.

**COMMENTS BY HEALTH CARE AGENCY, JUVENILE HEALTH SERVICES**

Grace Lizardo, Supervising Registered Nurse, Juvenile Hall, reported youth are regularly tested and screened for COVID in both Juvenile Hall and Orangewood.

**COMMENTS BY CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING**

Natasha Dunlap, Licensing Program Manager, reported no new updates at this time.

**COMMENTS BY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, INSTITUTIONAL SCHOOLS**

Vern Burton, Assistant Superintendent, Access Schools, provided an update on remote learning for students during the pandemic.

Raina Lee, OCDOE Coordinator, provided an update on the upcoming virtual College & Career Fair in March 2022. Backpacks and supplies will be provided to participants.

**WAYMAKERS**

Hether Benjamin, Chief Program Office, provided an update on outreach support in education for incarcerated youth. Alison Jacques, Supervisor, was also in attendance.

**CASA**

Matthew Wadlinger, Chief Strategy Officer, reported 130 youth currently on waitlist.

**PROJECT YOUTH – ORANGE COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION (OCBF)**

Nazly Restrepo, Associate Director, provided an update on the increase of monthly food drives. Martha Madrid, Associate Director, was also in attendance.

**J. MICHAEL HUGHES, ATTORNEY AT LAW**

J. Michael Hughes, Attorney at Law, reported on the frustrations of remote hearing appearances for incarcerated youth.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**The January 19, 2022 minutes were approved by unanimous consent.**

**COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC**

Susan Schofield, a member of the public, spoke on Rule of Court 5.674.

**REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE.**

All correspondence reports are tabled to the JJC meeting on February 16, 2022.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner Johnson provided an update on NARCAN.

The Commission reviewed the revised 2022 Action Plan. **MSC Commissioners deMayo/Johnson to approve the revised 2022 Action Plan as written.**

The Commission reviewed the revised 2022 Policies & Procedures Manual. . **MSC Commissioners McClean/Garfias to approve the revised 2022 Policies & Procedures Manual as written.**

The Commission reviewed the revised 2022 Bylaws. . **MSC Commissioners Hart/Yost to approve the revised 2022 Bylaws as written.**

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEE/WORKING GROUP**

Commissioner Johnson provided an update of the Legislation Standing Committee.

Commissioners Yost and Vachet provided an overview of the Commissioner Recruitment Working Group.

Commissioners Crowley and Hart provided an overview of the SB823/YGC Probation Working Group.

**REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS**

**Orange County Children's Partnership(OCCP)**

Chair Perring provided an overview of the OCCP virtual meeting held on January 20, 2022.

**Foster and Kinship Care Education (FKCE)**

Commissioner Vachet provided an overview of the FKCE virtual meeting held on January 25, 2022.

**Substance Abuse Webinar**

Commissioner Johnson provided an overview of the Substance Abuse webinar held on January 25, 2022.

**Foster Care Advisory Board (FCAB) / Quality Parenting Initiative (QPI)**

Commissioner Johnson provided an overview of the FCAB QPI virtual meeting held on January 26, 2022.

**Continuum of Care Reform (CCR)**

Commissioner Crowley provided an overview of the CCR virtual meeting held on January 27, 2022.

**Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC)**

Vice Chair Yost and Commissioner Vachet provided an overview of the CSEC virtual meeting held on January 27, 2022.

**Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Subcommittee**

Commissioner Johnson provided an overview of the SUD webinar held on February 1, 2022.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership (CWSIP) video conference on February 3, 2022 will be attended by Commissioner Vachet.

The Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA) Innovation meeting on February 3, 2022 will be attended by Commissioner Garfias.

The Safe Homes & Communities Pillar Subcommittee video conference on February 7, 2022 will be attended by Chair Perring.

The Eliminating Racial Disparity and Disproportionality video conference on February 9, 2022 will be attended by Commissioner Vachet.

The Teen Talk webinar on February 10, 2022 will be attended by Commissioner Johnson.

The Foster Youth Rights webinar on February 10, 2022 will be attended by Commissioner Johnson.

The Foster Family Agency (FFA) Forum video conference on February 15, 2022 will be attended by Vice Chair Yost and Commissioners deMayo, Johnson, McClean and Vachet.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

The Commission discussed various topics of interest.

**CLOSED SESSION**

A closed session was convened from 11:15 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

*Lynda Perring*

Lynda Perring, Chair