

**ORANGE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAMOREAUX JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – 2nd FLOOR
341 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868
Wednesday December 4, 2024
9:01 a.m.**

AGENDA

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

**MINUTES OF ORANGE COUNTY
JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION
Wednesday December 04, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chair Johnson. 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
Judy Johnson, Chair
Silvestre Lopez (Teams)
Connie Marshall
Wyatt McClean
Ryan Rising (Teams)
Dorothy Stafford
Mary Lou Vachet
Steve Winder, Vice Chair
Dolores Yost

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: Marcy Garfias
Nicholas Moreno
Lynda Perring
Madelyn Rodriguez

STAFF: Lii Toelupe, Executive Administrative Assistant
Josue Rogel, Legal Processing Specialist

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The November 20, 2024, minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Nominations 2025 Chair/Vice Chair

Commissioner Vachet presented the slate to Chair Johnson for the 2025 Chair and Vice Chair nominations and election. Chair Johnson read the slate of nominations: Chair, Commissioner Judy Johnson and Vice Chair, Commissioner Steve Winder. Chair Johnson called for further nominations from the floor; none were given and the nominations were closed. Chair Johnson thanked and discharged the members of the Nominating Committee. There being no objections to the nominees, Chair Johnson proceeded with the vote. The members of the Commission unanimously voted in favor of the nominees. Chair Johnson declared the nominees elected for 2025 and the election closed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was reviewed.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

A. Education

The Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) Education Committee meeting with Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) administrators is scheduled for December 16, 2024. The focus of the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) Superintendent remains on ACCESS schools.

B. Non-Institutional Placements

No updates to report.

C. Law Enforcement Agency

No updates to report.

D. Legislation

No updates to report

E. Essay and Art Contest

Commissioner Johnson expressed her gratitude to Commissioners Vachet and Lopez, Executive Administrative Assistant, Lii Toelupe, and Legal Processing Specialist, Josue Rogel, for their time and efforts in organizing the Essay and Art Contest. On behalf of the Commission, thank you emails were sent to the heads of agencies for their participation and support of the Essay and Art Contest. Commissioner Vachet thanked the committee for dedicating their time to reading the nearly 90 essays that were submitted. She also thanked Project Youth for their donations, which helped support the Essay and Art Contest. The Commissioners discussed their time spent with the youth at the unit celebrations the day following the event.

F. Annual Report

Executive Administrative Assistant (EAA) reported that the County manager will print the final copy for review.

G. JJC/ Probation Book Club

No updates to report.

H. JJC Working Group re: substance use program/services

Commissioner Johnson reported that the next meeting will be scheduled in January.

I. Away from Care

No updates to report.

REPORTS FROM LIAISON ACTIVITIES & WEBINARS

Foster Family Agency (FFA) Quarterly Forum

Commissioner Churchill attended the FFA Quarterly Forum on November 20, 2024. She reported on a few new requirements for foster family homes. One of the requirements allows for security cameras at the homes except in private places such as restrooms and bedrooms. The security

cameras are set up primarily for the safety and security of the youth and majority of the time set up outside of the home. She also mentioned that foster homes must be open to serve the SOGIE (Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Expression) community. Commissioner Churchill stated that another topic of interest was on the portability between foster family agencies and the County.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Orangewood Children and Family Center (OCFC)

Commissioners Churchill and Perring attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at OCFC on November 22, 2024. Commissioner Churchill reported that the ribbon cutting ceremony was held to celebrate the completion of a project between Orangewood and OCDE, designed to enhance family visitations. The space included places to cook, play games, nursery area, art and craft space and symbolized a home like setting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/WEBINARS/INSPECTIONS

Commissioner Churchill is planning to attend the Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership meeting (CWSIP) on December 5, 2024.

Commissioners Churchill, Johnson, Marshall, Stafford, Vachet, and Winder are planning to attend the Orangewood Children and Family Center Open House on December 5, 2024.

Commissioners Johnson, Vachet, Winder, and Yost are planning to attend the Project Youth Orange County (OC) Annual meeting on December 11, 2024.

Commissioners Vachet and Winder are planning to attend the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Prevention and Awareness Subcommittee meeting on December 12, 2024.

Commissioners Johnson, Vachet, Winder, and Yost are planning to attend the Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) Education Subcommittee and Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) Administrators meeting on December 16, 2024.

Commissioner Vachet is planning to attend the Complex Care IEP webinar on December 18, 2024.

Commissioner Johnson is planning to attend the CAST Policy meeting on December 18, 2024.

Commissioners Johnson, Winder, and Vachet are planning to attend the Sunburst Academy Graduation on December 19, 2024.

Commissioner Perring is planning to attend the Court Improvement Committee Dependency meeting on December 19, 2024.

Commissioners Churchill and Perring are planning to attend the Child Welfare System Improvement Partnership (CWSIP) on January 9, 2025.

Commissioner Garfias is planning to attend the Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Children and Youth Services Committee meeting on January 9, 2025.

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COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

No Commissioner comments to report.

CLOSED SESSION

The executive session was convened from 9:59 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Judy Johnson

Judy Johnson, Chair