

DRAFT MINUTES: Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council

Tuesday, January 21, 2025; 3:00-4:30; 370 Admin 2nd Floor Multi-Use Room; Santa Rosa, California 95403; Virtual participation for public only. Video and chat features may be disabled for virtual participants.

- a. Present
 - i. Probation-Brad Michnevich, Chair
 - ii. Public Defender-Lynne Stark-Slater
 - iii. CAP Sonoma County-Analy Guido
 - iv. Seneca-Ariana Ibarra
 - v. CPI-Dr. Elizabeth Vermilyea
 - vi. HSD-FYC-Vanessa Azevedo
 - vii. CAP (BOS rep)-Andrew McLaughlin
 - viii. SC Sheriff's Dept-Lt. Anthony Diehm
 - ix. Sonoma County Office of Education (SCOE)-Angela Scardina
 - x. Juvenile Court-Hon. Robert LaForge
 - xi. At-Large Rep-Katherine Gallagher
- b. Absent:
 - i. District Attorney-Anne Masterson
 - ii. Restorative Resources-Veronica Cruz
 - iii. SVYFS-Silvia Soto
 - iv. City of Santa Rosa Violence Prevention Program-Danielle Garduño
 - v. DHS-BHD-Karin Sellite
 - vi. DAAC-Alofa Tiapepe
 - vii. Local law enforcement agency-Chief Matt Jenkins
- c. Other Subcommittee Participants:
 - i. VOICES-Greyson Gunheim
 - ii. Probation-Vanessa Fuchs
 - iii. Probation-Rob Halverson
 - iv. Probation-Kristy Silva
 - v. Probation-Haunani Pakaki
 - vi. Probation-Marcella Chandler
 - vii. Circuit Riders-Rob Izzo
 - viii. Office of Youth and Community Restoration-Darius Parakh

1. Welcome and introductory roll call-Brad Michnevich

- a. Opening remarks and welcome
- b. Roll call
- c. Current vacancies

- i. There are currently two CBO vacancies-let Probation know if you are interested in becoming a Voting Member or are aware of other organizations that would welcome outreach from our Department.
- d. Welcome new Members & Participants:
 - i. New Juvenile Court Presiding Judge Robert LaForge
- e. General updates since the last meeting
 - i. Juvenile Justice Update
 - 1. There are 252 youth on supervision, today. The count is trending upward and has nearly reached 2019 levels. It is unknown if it will continue trending upward.
 - 2. Juvenile Hall population is now 64, which includes 16 SYTF youth (14 from Sonoma and 2 from other Counties).
 - 3. Projections from the end of last year are lower than projected.
 - a. 2024 Actual: Felony 180, Misdemeanor 101.

2. Action: Approval of Minutes from October 22, 2024, meeting-Brad Michnevich and Haunani Pakaki

- a. Motion: Lynn Starke-Slater
- b. Second: Ariana Ibarra
- c. Vote: Approved unanimously

3. Announcements: Upcoming Probation and CBO Meeting-Brad Michnevich

- a. The first Probation and CBO Meeting for 2025 will be held on Wednesday, March 12 from 10:00-12:00 at 370 Admin 2nd Floor Multi-Use Room.
 - i. This meeting was subsequently cancelled due to scheduling issues.

4. Updates: RFPs, Evaluations, Reports-Brad Michnevich, Rob Halverson and Haunani Pakaki

- a. Requests for Proposals-Brad Michnevich
 - i. Individual Therapy
 - 1. Two new providers for therapy: Boys & Girls Club and Seneca
 - 2. Can be virtual or in-person
 - ii. Juvenile Treatment of Sex Offending Youth
 - 1. Joint RFP with Adult for a provider
 - iii. Reentry Juvenile Hall Programming
 - 1. Just closed on Friday, January 17
 - 2. Moved to review committee
 - iv. Career Technical Education
 - 1. Coming to the public soon

- b. Evaluations-Rob Halverson
 - i. Sonoma County LRP Evaluation
 - 1. Evaluating programs and services that provide less restrictive options for youth
 - 2. RDA was chosen
 - 3. Will focus on youths and families who have gone through Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF), Less Restrictive Programs, and those who were released just prior to the implementation of SYTF
 - ii. Juvenile Justice Continuum Assessment
 - 1. Help develop the Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan
 - 2. Review our continuum and how does it compare with evidence-based practices and experienced by those in the system
 - 3. Still in negotiations with the selected provider
- c. Reports: The 2023-2024 Service Provider Outcome Report will be posted soon, a link will be sent to this distribution list. The presentation of that data will occur at an upcoming meeting.

5. Question: Are there any amendments to the Bylaws?- Brad Michnevich

- a. Access the JJCC Bylaws [here](#)
- b. None proposed

6. Public Comment: Three minutes per speaker-Brad Michnevich

- a. Dr. Brian Lovins will be presenting "Coach versus Referee" at SSU on April 30, 4:00 at SSU.
 - i. A flyer will be sent to this group when time is firmed up
- b. Jason Weiss disseminated a newsletter for The Club at Juvenile Hall
- c. Angela Scardina-new SCOE representative.
 - i. Looking to hire another Director, but Scardina will be staying at the JH
 - ii. Newly released book of poems, created by the youth
- d. Padres Unidos is starting its next class at Roseland Elementary

7. Questions, wrap-up, and Next Steps-Brad Michnevich

- a. April 24, 2025, at the HR Training Room from 3:00-4:30

Public Comment Procedures:

Public comment is a time when any member of the public may address the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC). You may email public comment to SCPD-JJCC@sonoma-county.org no later than five days prior to the JJCC meetings. All emailed public comments will be forwarded to all Council Members.

If joining as a member of the public in person, virtually, or via telephone, there will be specific points throughout the meeting assigned to public comment. Please state your name and limit your comments to the agenda or matters not listed on the agenda, but which are subject matter of the jurisdiction. Available time for comments is determined by the Chair based on agenda scheduling demands and total number of speakers. Generally, speakers will be limited to three minutes. The Chair will announce when it is your turn to speak.

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To assure civility in its public meetings, the public is encouraged to engage in respectful dialog that supports freedom of speech and values diversity of opinion. The JJCC, staff, and members of the public are expected to establish and maintain a cordial and respectful atmosphere during discussions and foster meaningful dialogue free of personal attacks. Members of the public must also adhere to the speaking time limit.