

Trinity County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC)

Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2023 @ 2:30 PM

Trinity County Probation Department
333 Tom Bell Road
Weaverville, CA 96093

1. Introductions and Establishment of a Quorum

X	Ruby Fierro	Probation	X	Liz Hamilton	SS/MH/PH
	Mike Harper	Superior Ct.		Tricia Aberg	HRN
X	Tim Saxon	Sheriff		Connie Smith	BH
	Dave Brady	DA		Trent Tuthill	CAO
X	Brandon Lale	CHP	X	Fabio Robles	Office of Ed
	Ken Miller	Public Def.		Keith Sprague	
	Debra Klein	BH			

Additional attendees

- Mike Lawson
- Lance Floerke
- Robert Bowman Shasta College Step-Up
- Vicky Weighill

2. Public Comment

This time is for information from the public on matters not appearing on this agenda. All comments are limited to three minutes and must pertain to matters within the jurisdiction of this Board. When addressing the Board please state your name for the record and address the Board as a whole through the Chair. No action or discussion will be conducted on matters not listed on the agenda, however, the Chair may refer the subject for follow-up or schedule the matter on a subsequent agenda.

a. Robert Bowman – STEP-UP: Waiting for Chancellor to announce the awardees for the Juvenile Justice Initiative. 5 year program to work with young in and out of custody in response to the closure of DJJ. Will allow to hire liaisons to work with all department facilities and be able to teach in custody. Possibility for dual enrollment. In general, a lot of flexibility. Facilities this will impact: Tehama, Shasta, and some others, maybe Lassen? It is a regional effort. Ruby Fierro advised we also have contracts in Butte and Humboldt.

3. Review and Adopt Minutes from April 25, 2023

Motion made by Tim Saxon to adopt the minutes. Motion seconded by Liz Hamilton. None oppose. Minutes are adopted.

4. Proposition 64 Grant – (Sheriff's grant)

- a. Overview of DPO parameters as CARES Officer as they differ from Probation's previous Tobacco Grant Intervention Officer role.
- b. Ruby Fierro: handed out draft of outline of role and responsibilities. Advised that it will support our efforts for 5 years. Tim Saxon advises that this is a continuation of a grant they have had in the previous two cohorts. Added Probation to this cohort changes the duties of the probation officer from the Tobacco grant; however, the SO deputy role remains the same. Ruby Fierro outlined that we no longer have MOUs with three schools. Discussed that with losing the Tobacco Grant, we were prepared to have all juvenile officers be a point of contact for different schools. Now we are able to name Greg Lindley as the primary point of contact for all schools. He has background in facility and SO and as a parent of youth in the schools here. Professionally mature. Handed out draft notes of the difference between the Tobacco grant and the current grant and walked through those notes. Plan to have an armed officer assigned 2-3 years. Fabio Robles expressed concern that the schools were not involved in the preparation of this position and what was working/not working previously. Some schools are hesitant about what it is like to have an officer on campus. Tim Saxon commented that some schools do not want an officer on campus. Fabio Robles continued inclusion of the schools in these decisions. Ruby Fierro commented that it is an ongoing conversation as needs change. Tim Saxon advises there are goals to be reached but we do not want to require schools to participate. Ruby Fierro will be taking juvenile CARES officer to the TCOE Admin Meeting. Tim Saxon: Halsey will be off for some time for personal leave. Ruby Fierro: recognition that there is a lot of emotion around this topic. Fabio Robles reiterated the benefits he sees to having the schools involved in determining identified staff and shared how the schools always had Carolyn on hiring interviews.

5. CMAJJP - Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan

- a. Ruby Fierro: Last done 2018 and Lance Floerke explained that it was 6 months of work part time for retired Assistant Chief. There was a lot stakeholder participation. Kevin Lynch for next fiscal year to update the plan perhaps. Liz Hamilton would like HHS to be a listed stakeholder and they could help with statistics.

6. Update regarding the closure of DJJ

- a. 823 Plans: Ruby Fierro: Doors closed June 30, 2023 and all those youth have been returned to county youth facilities. Can have youth up to age 25 in our juvenile facilities now and that impacts our populations in the facility. In 2024, we will require a subcommittee again and will want outside participation.

- b. AB 505: Explained concerns about OYCR taking on BSCC facility oversight. Unseat the CPO from chairing JJCC and we are dependent on the plans being complete to receive needed funding. Shared letter I advocated BOS to sign and send to the author in opposition.
- 7. Detention Facilities Updates – Contracts and Programs
 - a. Tehama is our primary facility and we provide \$50,000.00 to have some say in discussions for programming and their population tends to mirror ours a little better. Contracts in Butte, Shasta and Humboldt. This year, 12 youth have gone into custody so far.
- 8. Round Table
 - a. Liz Hamilton would like to hear from Behavioral Health on juvenile services. Seeing large increase in juvenile female suicidal ideations. Discussion of we have highest rate in the state and there is not knowledge of the cause. Training in Modoc about suicidal issues that Fabio Robles is inviting other partners to participate in.
- 9. Meeting Schedule
 - a. This has been the meeting cycle on the Fourth Tuesday of each month. TCOE has a conflicting monthly Administrative Meeting that includes all of our county schools. Consider possible adjustment.
- 10. Adjourn at 3:10 p.m.