



JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY  
PREVENTION COMMISSION  
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**REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2014 - 6:00-8:00 P.M.**  
**Humboldt County Office of Education Annex**  
**901 Myrtle Ave., Eureka, CA 95501**

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| <b>X Rose Baker</b>  | <b>X Steve Schaening</b> |
| <b>X Bill Daniel</b> | <b>X Cole Vanwey</b>     |
| <b>X Scott Frank</b> | <b>X Linda Yates</b>     |
| <b>X Peggy Hobbs</b> |                          |
| <b>E Josh Meisel</b> |                          |
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OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Daniel, Bill Damiano, Bill Nichols, Cheryl Ingham, Sacha Marini, Janay Teal, Meredith Williams, Qaeil Peltier, and three members of the Youth Advisory Board

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER  
The meeting was called to order by Chair Daniel at 6:00 P.M. A quorum was present.
- 1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
Members and guests joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 1.2 INTRODUCTIONS  
Members and guests introduced themselves.
- 2.0 ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA  
At Matt Daniel's request, a moment of silence was observed in honor of the twin anniversaries' of the birth and death of Johnny Cash which occurred the week of the meeting.
- 3.0 CORRESPONDENCE  
There were no correspondences.

#### 4.0 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 13, 2014 MEETING

It was moved by Commissioner Frank and seconded by Commissioner Baker to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.

#### 5.0 COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Schaening announced that Assembly Bill 420 which imposes new restrictions on schools' use of zero tolerance measures has passed both houses of the legislature and is awaiting Governor Brown's signature. It was also pointed out that some school districts such as Los Angeles and San Francisco have discontinued these policies on their own.

#### 6.0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORTS

##### 6.1 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill Nichols reported that interviews are taking place to hire four clinicians to work at the CYFS division. Bill also reported that the moneys allotted to the county from the Systems of Care grant have been split up into 27 smaller grants. These will be given to schools, community-based non-profit organizations and foster care entities for projects that support the goals of the Systems of Care plan.

##### 6.2 TEEN COURT

Sacha Marini reported that Teen Court has already received two cases referred directly by Eureka City Schools. It appears that this partnership will work well although there are still some minor issues to work out. Sacha also reported that the **Community Justice Network for Youth** will conduct a week of intensive training for the Teen Court volunteers and youth leaders. On a related note, one of the youth leaders has been appointed to serve on the **California Youth Court Initiative's** advisory board.

##### 6.3 HCTAYC

Commissioner Vanwey reported that HCTAYC has primarily been focused on preparing for the Youth Wellness Week set to begin on September 15.

#### 7.0 PROBATION

Bill Damiano reported on the most recent MAJCC meeting which several commissioners, foster parents, and even some youth attended. The particular issues concerning foster care for youth in both the delinquency and social services systems were discussed. The increase in juvenile competency cases and the complexity of handling such cases was also discussed. At some commissioners' request, a program was proposed for early next year to inform the commission in more depth about this issue. Bill also reported that an organization in Willow Creek has applied for a Youth Council grant to provide employment readiness services to youth in Eastern Humboldt County. Finally, Bill reported that the state has designated funding to each county for recidivism reduction efforts. Funds would be specifically intended for community-based organizations rather than government agencies. Although this was originally designed for the adult system, it can just as easily be applied to juvenile delinquency prevention.

## 8.0 COMMISSIONER REPORTS

### 8.1 JUVENILE JUSTICE

Commissioner Frank reported that he has received the list of facilities requiring inspection by the commission. In addition to Juvenile Hall and the Regional Facility, the Garberville Substation was included. Commissioner Frank also reported that there will be a training on October 1 to go over the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative guidelines as recommended by HCTAYC. These guidelines are to be incorporated into the inspections. The training is on October 1 at 6:00 P.M. at the HCTAYC office.

## 9.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

### 9.1 NEW COMMISSIONER APPLICATIONS

Meredith Williams and Janay Teal have applied for two of the open positions on the commission. Each of them introduced themselves and briefly described their interests concerning working with youth. A motion was made by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Yates to submit the applications to Judge Wilson with the recommendation that both be accepted for appointment to the commission. The motion carried.

### 9.2 PANEL DISCUSSION

Chair Daniel reminded the commission that the October meeting is to include a panel of key actors in the juvenile justice and delinquency prevention community to discuss their plans and goals concerning youth and how the commission can assist in achieving these goals. Currently, Bill Damiano, incoming District Attorney Maggie Flemming, Judge Wilson and Chief Mills of the Eureka police department have agreed to participate. Joann Carter from the Public Defender's office has also been invited but has not yet been confirmed. The panel will be the primary focus of the meeting and most of the regular reports and other commissions business has been postponed until the November meeting.

## 10.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.