

**Stanislaus County  
Juvenile Justice Commission  
August 18, 2021 – Probation Department - Microsoft Teams**

**Members Present:** Marian Martino, Chair, Michael Baldwin, Vice-Chair, Cpt. Scott Houston, Sharma Uma, Dawn Cullum, Wanda Bonnell, Chief Fidel Landeros

**Members Excused:** Stephen Ashman

**Probation Department Present:** Chief Probation Officer Mark Ferriera, Assistant Chief Probation Officer Leticia Ruano

**Superior Court Present:** The Honorable Ruben Villalobos, Juvenile Court Judge

**Call to Order:** Chairperson Marian Martino called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

**Public Comment:** No public individuals were present.

**Approval of Minutes:** MOTION: Michael Baldwin, SECOND: Wanda Bonnell. The minutes of July 29, 2021, meetings were approved unanimously.

**Probation Department Report**

Chief Mark Ferriera reported the following:

- The current population of the Juvenile Facilities is 57, with 46 males and 11 females. The longest-tenured youth detained in Juvenile Hall was recently released on the Electronic Monitoring Program after serving 1351 days in custody. Additionally, CPO Ferriera reported the following in-custody information:
  - 7 youth were booked for murder/attempted murder.
  - 19 youth were booked for WIC 707(b), which outlines the most serious offenses youth commit; 8 were for assault with a deadly weapon/assault likely to produce great bodily injury.
  - 2 youth are being detained pending placement.
  - 17 youth are due for release, while 40 youth are awaiting sentencing.
  - The shortest release date is for a male, with a scheduled release date of August 22, 2021; the longest is for a male who is scheduled to be released on January 1, 2022.
- The California Department of Public Health issued new orders requiring all workers entering the facility to provide proof of vaccination or test weekly for COVID-19. Chief Ferriera noted that the order had been implemented as of Monday, August 16, in advance of the order that goes into effect on August 23, 2021. Workers providing proof of vaccination will not be required to test weekly.
- Currently, there are no positive cases of COVID-19 inside the Juvenile Facilities.
- The Probation Field Services currently serves 232 youth on Formal Probation.
- The Lets Work Program had 6 youth graduate on August 11, 2021. The youth were gifted with a Chromebook Laptop and gift cards for completing the program.
- The Aggression Replacement Training (ART) is presently being provided to youth in and out of custody. Inside the Juvenile Facilities, ART is provided three times per week and twice per week on-site in the Counseling Center for out of custody youth.
- The Library Program currently provides book drop-offs for youth in custody; in-person services due to staff shortages are unavailable, and the date when the in-person programming will resume is unknown. CPO Ferriera will make contact with the County Library for any new updates.

### **Discuss/Scheduling of the Juvenile Justice Presentation**

The Commission discussed and agreed to split the Juvenile Justice Presentation into two parts. An overview of the Juvenile Court and Probation process will be presented in person in the Probation Training Room on Wednesday, September 29 at noon. A subsequent meeting will be held for a tour of the Juvenile Facilities. CPO Ferriera advised the Commission that proof of vaccination or submitting to a COVID-19 test before entering the facility would be required, as ordered by the state.

Mr. Baldwin inquired about the Juvenile Facilities process for volunteer programs interested in providing their services. CPO Ferriera advised that in-custody volunteer programming must go through the Juvenile Hall Superintendent.

### **Announcements**

The next Juvenile Justice Commission Meeting will be in person on Wednesday, September 29, 2021, at noon.

The meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.