



MINUTES

KERN COUNTY SB 823 SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Kern County Probation Department
2005 Ridge Road
Bakersfield, California 93305

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Wednesday, March 10, 2021
3:30 p.m.

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SB 823 Subcommittee meeting called to order by Chief TR Merickel at 3:33 p.m.

Subcommittee Members: TR Merickel, William Schlaerth, Peter Kang, Maria Bermudez, Jennie Sill, Carlos Rojas, Judge Wendy Avila, Tom Corson, Wesley Davis, Lois Hannible, Ucedrah Osby

ROLL CALL: 9 Members Present; 2 Absent (Avila, Hannible)

NOTE: Chairman Merickel stated as a result of the declared federal, state, and local emergencies due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in light of the Governor's order, this SB 823 Subcommittee of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council meeting is not physically open to the public. Instructions for public participation were posted at <https://www.kernprobation.com/juvenile-justice-coordinating-council/sb-823-subcommittee/>. Testimony and public comment were accepted via email or voice message to the Probation Department prior to this meeting and live comments via teleconference may be heard during the meeting.

1) Minutes from the Meeting of February 24, 2021

MOTIONED TO APPROVE

Public Comment: NO ONE HEARD

APPROVED; Corson-Rojas: 9 Ayes; 2 Absent (Avila, Hannible)

MOTION PASSED

2) Public Comment

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Council on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Council. Council members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to

staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Council at a later meeting. SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE AND SPELL YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD BEFORE MAKING YOUR PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

NO ONE HEARD

3) Chairperson's Report (Chief Merickel)

General update and/or information relating to Juvenile Probation (Fiscal Impact: None)

NO ITEMS TO REPORT

4) County of Kern SB 823 Three-Year Plan and Allocations for FY 21/22 (Chief Merickel)

Present and discuss County of Kern SB 823 three-year Plan and allocation request for FY 21/22 (Fiscal Impact: \$1,410,496) -

ANNUAL PLAN AND FISCAL SUMMARY PROVIDED TO COUNCIL MEMBERS. PRESENTATION MADE BY CHIEF MERICKEL. HIGHLIGHTED CHANGES ON THE DOCUMENTS WERE DISCUSSED.

TOM CORSON HEARD COMPLIMENTING THOSE WHO WROTE THE PLAN.

WILLIAM SCHLAERTH HEARD REGARDING BEING LOCKED IN TO THE PLAN FOR A YEAR ONCE APPROVED.

MOTIONED TO APPROVE THREE-YEAR PLAN AND FY 21/22 ALLOCATIONS AND SUBMIT TO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL

Public Comment:

NO ONE HEARD

ROLL CALL VOTE: Merickel - Yes; Schlaerth - Yes, Kang - Yes, Bermudez - Yes; Sill - Yes, Rojas - Yes, Corson - Yes, Davis - Yes, Osby - Yes

APPROVED; Corson-Schlaerth: 9 Ayes; 2 Absent (Avila, Hannible)

MOTION PASSED

5) Subcommittee Member Announcements or Reports

NO ONE HEARD

6) Next Subcommittee Meeting

CHIEF MERICKEL REPORTED LEGISLATION CALLS FOR THE SUBCOMMITTEE TO MEET ONCE EVERY THREE YEARS. THIS SUBCOMMITTEE WILL MEET AT LEAST EVERY YEAR. THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE FALL OF 2021 AND WILL MEET IN THE SPRING OF 2022 TO WORK ON MODIFICATIONS TO THE PLAN TO SUBMIT TO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL WHICH MEETS IN THE SPRING AND FALL. MEMBERS WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED.

CHIEF MERICKEL INVITED ALL MEMBERS TO A TOUR OF THE KERN CROSSROADS FACILITY WHERE SB 823 YOUTH WILL BE HOUSED AND ASKED THEM TO REACH OUT TO HIMSELF OR HIS ASSISTANT ROSANNE VELA VIA EMAIL IF THEY ARE INTERESTED.

7) Adjourn as Subcommittee at 3:45 p.m.