

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
JUVENILE PROBATION COMMISSION



JUVENILE PROBATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 9, 2014
5:30 p.m.
City Hall, Hearing Room 408
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Commissioners

Susan Jones, President
Joseph Arellano, Vice President
Julian Chang
Gabe Harp
Annie Wong
Rebecca Woodson

Meeting Minutes

Proceedings:

1. Roll Call:
President Jones called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.
Present: Julian Chang; Gabe Harp; Susan Jones; Annie Wong and Rebecca Woodson.
Joseph Arellano was excused.

Others Present:
Juvenile Hall Director: Luis Recinos
2. Public Comments.
Thomas Simpson, Director of Afro Solo, discussed their upcoming event, "The Audacity to Succeed: Young Black Men and Boys Soaring to the Future." The event will have job information and apprenticeships for youths and will be held on August 14th at the African American Art and Cultural Center.
3. Approval of the Full Commission Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2014.
Motion to approve the Full Commission meeting minutes of June 11, 2014 by Commissioner Woodson; second by Commissioner Harp.
AYES; Chang; Harp; Jones; Wong and Woodson. Minutes approved.
No public comments.

4. Report on Home Work Program (Unit 5) by Joseph Tanner, Juvenile Hall Program Facilitator will be rescheduled at a later date.

5. Reports to the Commission (DISCUSSION ONLY)

a. Chief's Report (presented by Mr. Recinos)

- LGBT protocol is presently being discussed and implemented with the support from SPY staff. JPD has added LGBT training sessions as a regular part of the JJC training.
- The new GED program is being introduced at Juvenile Hall. With the new technology, tests can be offered in various locations on laptop computers.
- The Camp Mather trip is scheduled in August and there are around 45 open slots. Four counselors will be participating this year.
- Programs in the Hall have expanded until 9:30 p.m., previously ending at 8:30 p.m. Counseling and other activities are reserved from 9:30 to 10 p.m. In addition, kids now stay in bed until 7 a.m., instead of 6 a.m., and gym programs have been added. Kids can now enjoy two to three times as much outdoor physical activities.
- JJC has launched an intramural program which involves kids from different units competing against each other in outdoor sports activities. This program also includes participation from the girls' unit.
- The Home Work Program (Unit 5) has been very successful. Upon completion of the school day, kids go to their rooms and complete homework assignments. The time is now being utilized in a positive way, similar to a home environment situation. SFUSD has been very helpful and supportive with this program.
- The Marcus Shelby music program will be returning on a quarterly basis.
- Probation Officers were involved in Pink Saturdays, where PO's patrol areas with police officers, as well as Adult Probation Officers. Their goal is to deal with any juveniles the police come in contact with and try to intercede. There were no issues on that day.
- At Log Cabin Ranch, the kids are getting ready to use the pool; the garden project is expanding, produce grown at the ranch is being prepared in the kitchen; and there were three basketball tournaments during the 4th of July holiday.
- The garden project at Juvenile Hall will be expanded from the planter boxes to the courtyard grounds. This expansion will also include involving more youths in the program. Commission President Jones asked if there was any cultural sensitivity training at the Hall for the LGBT youth. Mr. Recinos said that the process has already started and they have provided a youth with counseling sessions. Commissioner Chang asked about the census at the Hall and LCR. Mr. Recinos said the count at LCR was 20; and 58 at Juvenile Hall (9 females; 49 males).
- Public comments:
Thomas Simpson asked about the racial breakdown at Juvenile Hall, however, that information was not available.
- No further public comments.

b. No Committee Reports.

6. Future Agenda Items (ACTION ITEM)

- Commissioner Chang inquired about the August Full Commission meeting. He said that the Board of Supervisors do not meet in August and the commission has followed this lead. President Jones said she will check with Chief Nance to see if he has any pressing matters to discuss.
- President Jones said she invited Fly Organization to present in September. The organization is based in San Mateo, have been very successful with the reentry program, and are trying to expand to SF.
- President Jones said that Tyrone Mullins, one of the co-founders of Green Streets, was nominated among 900 people to go to the White House to receive an award for Champions for Change for Individuals Reentering the Community after Incarceration.
- Commissioner Woodson asked that Mr. Simpson, with Afro Solo, present at the September meeting regarding his upcoming event.
- No public comments.

7. President Jones adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

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