San Francisco Youth Commission
Transformative Justice Committee
Minutes
Monday, March 25th, 2019
5:00-6:30 PM
City Hall, Room 345
1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.
San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Members: Nora Hylton (Chair), Josephine Cureton (Vice Chair), and Natalie Ibarra

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
Commissioner Hylton called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. All present. Quorum was met.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)
There was no public comment. Commissioner Cureton motioned to approve of the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Ibarra. Motion passed by a vote of acclamation.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)
A. March 11th, 2019
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There was no public comment. Commissioner Ibarra motioned to approve the March 11th, 2019 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Cureton. Motion passed by a vote of acclamation.

4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (Discussion Only)
There was no public comment.

5. Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)
A. Review Group Agreements & Roles
   a. Timekeeper – NH
   b. Note taker – JC
   c. Temperature Check - NI

B. Reflection and Check-in
Commissioner Hylton led the commissioners in a discussion about what the committee has done and what they are most proud of in Transformative Justice work. Commissioner Ibarra is proud of the Youth-Police Roundtable and for presenting our budget priorities to the Juvenile Probation Commission. Commissioner Cureton is proud of all our presentations to Student Advisory Council, Juvenile Probation Commission, and Police Commission. Commissioner Cureton is also proud of having the best committee attendance. Commissioner Hylton is proud of all the work we’ve been able to do with intentionality. Staff Truong is proud of us bringing all the ideas to life.

C. Youth-Police Roundtable Reportback
Commissioner Ibarra shared that every time they think of the roundtable, it gets better and better. It was good to witness people listening and admitted to expecting the worst such as people being mad, violence, or any feelings that would’ve been triggered. Commissioner Cureton noted that there was good back and forth dialogue with someone always able to jump in afterward, there was a beautiful volley of ideas and weren’t afraid to call out the police. Such as when individual officers would share how they try to be part of the community, but refuse to acknowledge the history of police violence in the community. Commissioner Hylton noted that there were same 5 people that would talk in her small group, wish she could’ve passed the mic more and create an atmosphere where people could speak up. Commissioner Ibarra remarked that it could help to point someone out in the audience and just moderate from that. Commissioner Hylton noted that she would like to work on taking up space before asking others to speak up. Staff Truong noted that 97 folks showed up and people are still talking about it.

Commissioners generated common themes from the report: Education, youth rights, accountability, access to resources, relationship and trust building with community, trauma and healing practices, supporting elders, community needs of housing, meals, language access, culturally competent services, intergenerational trauma, and stress of living.

Next steps from the dialogue was to set up meetings with community organizations to get more feedback, to host a youth-community screening of healing justice “my healing isn’t tied to your suffering.”, and we have a meeting with Commander Lazar in April 22nd.

D. Work on Budget Policy and Priority Write Up
Staff explained the budget process and calendar of important days. Next workdays will take place on google hangout / in person on Wednesdays at 6pm. Commissioner Ibarra asked for previous BPPS to be used and updated moving forward. Commissioner Hylton stated that we should have a structure for background, update, and establish deadlines for each part. Staff asked commissioners to review previous BPPS, create google doc of updated priorities and will send over previous BPPs for review.

E. Next steps and Timeline Review
Commissioner Hylton asked the committee what are the future goals of our community and what do we really have time to do in 4 months. Commissioner Ibarra noted education, trainings for youth rights, building with sfpd, connecting with reentry programs. Commissioner Cureton
noted implementing trainings in workspaces (yuppies), in classroom, strategies for youth curriculum, juvenile hall. Commissioner Hylton wishes to work on engaging with specific orgs related to incarcerated youth empowerment to build good relationships to continue the work we've all started. Right now, BPP, educating self & community, and building relationships with community.

F. Local / Community Reportback

Log Cabin Ranch Taskforce was canceled. Staff will consult the budget to see if we can have a community screening and discussion of Healing Justice. Police Commissioner Hamasaki will keep us in the loop for the Strategies for Youth workgroup. Police Commissioner DeJesus will keep us informed regarding the Youth Commissioner presence and impact on the Police Commission meetings. Supervisors Walton, Ronen, and Haney are working on legislation for Juvenile Hall closure.

6. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

Commissioner Ibarra will be at the Project What Youth Summit! Commissioners gave feedback for staff on how the meetings best work for them - so far so good.

7. Adjournment

Commissioner Hylton adjourned the meeting at 6:39pm.