San Francisco Youth Commission
Transformative Justice Committee
Draft Minutes
Monday, October 15th, 2019
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
City Hall, Room 270
1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.
San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Members: Amara Santos, Arsema Asfaw, Josephine Cureton, Nora Hylton (Chair), Rome Jones (Vice Chair)

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

2) Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

There is no public comment. Commissioner Cureton motioned to approve of the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Santos. Motion to approve passes by a vote of acclamation.

3) Approval of Minutes (Action Item)
   A. September 16th, 2019
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   There is no public comment. Commissioner Asfaw motioned to approve of September 16th, 2019 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Santos. Motion to approve passes by a vote of acclamation.

4) Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (Discussion Only)

5) Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)
   A. Check In: Character Traits and Share Out
      Presented by Commissioner Jones

      Prompt: pick 7 character traits and identify the one that rests at your foundation of personality.

      Hylton: Optimistic, how I look at my own life and that things will get better and how I like to do my work
Santos: Compassionate, to care about things bigger than self and while we do work – we need to think about where the action is going and having it people based, it connects us and makes us human.

Asfaw: Imaginative, Pisces but really like to think that nothing is too small to accomplish

Truong: Versatile, closest to resourceful

Jones: Versatile, well rounded and being exposed to a lot of things to make experiences fruitful

Cureton: enthusiastic, tend to have a positive attitude and go with it with a lot of energy

B. Action Planning for Committee Priorities
   i) Review Goals (5 min)
      (1) Presented by Commissioner Hylton

September:
   • Learn about community organizations,
   • Presentations from CJCJ, from Critical Resistance
   • Legislative Writing

October:

November:
   • Learning about police & mayor
   • Creating curriculum for know your rights

   Jones: did not learn much about juvenile hall, would need to reach out to learn more, there was learning about CBOs from me (BMagic – keeps CBO activity, you know what you know and you don’t know what you don’t

   Strategies: talking to highschool & middle school, checking in with SFUSD presentations, and giving a platform for programs they are going through and learning more

   Santos: need to learn more and build conversations on what we need, before we move to doing work

   Asfaw: list of everything in curriculum we want and go over it

   Jones: Public defender training with schools – test with where it taking next, reinventing the wheel could work once we know what’s the current information out there and what’s working and not

   Action steps:
      • Collecting KYR information out there
      • Starting doc

Sept to Nov – Research
   • Know your rights
   • Powermapping
Dec – Feb
- Budget priorities
- KYR compiled curriculum
- Event planning

March – May
- Presentations
- Curriculum
- Advocacy

ii) Mission Statement
   (1) Presented by Rome Jones

Commissioner Jones led the committee in a mission statement exercise to ground ourselves in our work. Below is a draft of our intentions.

Mission

(Who are we?)
The Transformative Justice Committee of the San Francisco Youth Commission is a determined and imaginative group of young people that are striving to build cooperative and compassionate relationships with the community to eliminate youth incarceration.

(Why are we doing this?)
We acknowledge that the current systems in place do not serve all of us and we hope to shift the conversations and dynamics to how people can live and thrive. It is part of our radical values that we can and should center humanity in the City’s budget and policy priorities.

iii) Local / Community / Legislative Justice System Updates
   (1) Police Commission report back
      (a) Commissioner Jones: Police Commission receptive, Dpt Public Defender has know your rights training, having Chief Scott meetings again, putting report into Weekly Internal would help share knowledge.
   (2) DGO. 7.01 Work Group to update DGO 7.01 “Policies and Procedures for Juvenile Detention, Arrest, and Custody”
      (a) More updates to come, will start in November
   (3) Close Juvenile Hall
      (a) Thursdays @ 2pm – youth townhall planning at the Young Women Freedom Center
      (b) Thursday November 7th 4 – 6pm – sf reimagine justice campaign meeting
         (i) Josephine
         (ii) Rome
         (iii) Nora
   (4) Close 850
      (a) Rally at 9:30 – 12:30pm
   (5) Office of Racial Equity
      (a) Currently looking to hire
(b) Hoping to implement plan by 2021

(6) Police Youth Summit
(a) Youth tokenized
(b) No report back
(c) just heads of different departments
(d) Large religious emphasis
(e) police in uniform

C. Timeline Review & Next Steps
   i) Youth Townhall
      (1) Rome will go to Mayor’s Blue ribbon
      (2) YWFC – thurs at 2pm, november 7th
   ii) Work Time
      (1) Public Comment Writing for DOJ Recommendations 10/22
         (a) What do the community reportbacks look like? Why are the oversight
             hearings only in city hall that are not youth accessible?
         (b) What and who have you been working with in the community with these
             reforms and what’s the makeup of the youth that attend the events?
         (c) How is the community engagement division addressing current cases that are
             different from 2016?
      (2) Public Comment Writing for Close 850 10/18 9:30 – 12:30 PM
         (a) We, the Trans
      (3) Resolution with HLU for Muni citations
         (a) Table to another meeting (November)

D. Next Steps (5 – 10 min)
   i) 4th friday month with RJC
   ii) Finish up your research doj
   iii) Email questions to public defender

E. Appreciations (5 min)

6) Staff Report (Discussion Only)
Please let staff know about availability for the DA youth forum on the 25th.

7) Announcements
   A. Community Events

8) Adjournment
Chair Hylton adjourned the meeting at 7:30pm.