



**San Francisco Youth Commission
Transformative Justice
Committee**

~Draft Minutes~

Monday, November 23, 2020

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Public Comment Call-in:

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There will be public comment on each item.

Members: Rome Jones (Chair), Gracie Veiga (Vice Chair), Arsema Asfaw, Nora Hylton, Gabbie Listana, Amara Santos,

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Commissioner Jones calls the meeting to order at 5:02 PM. Quorum is met.

Rome Jones (Chair), present
Gracie Veiga (Vice Chair), present
Arsema Asfaw, present
Nora Hylton, present
Gabbie Listana, present
Amara Santos, present

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

No public comment. Commissioner Hylton, seconded by Commissioner Santos, motions to approve of the November 23rd, 2020 agenda. By roll call vote, the motion passes.

Rome Jones (Chair), aye
Gracie Veiga (Vice Chair), aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Gabbie Listana, aye
Amara Santos, aye

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. November 9, 2020
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There is no public comment. Commissioner Veiga motions to approve of the November 9th, 2020 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Hylton. By roll call vote, the motion passes.

Rome Jones (Chair), aye
Gracie Veiga (Vice Chair), aye
Arsema Asfaw, aye
Nora Hylton, aye
Gabbie Listana, aye
Amara Santos, aye

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

There is no public comment.

5. Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. District Attorney's Office: Connection and Points of Collaboration with Tara Regan Anderson, Director of Policy and David Campos, Chief of Staff

DC: take an opportunity to reach out, and predates any of you - bos from 2008 - 2016, one of the things that was very important to me D9 as to work closely with the youth commission, felt and believe - free muni 4 youth, working on CJ issues - reach out and see how we can engage young people in different aspects of the work
tara - director of policies matters - key player impetus - how do we work together and reinject youth voice in the work of this office

build on commission as a whole and help inform policy in some areas - interests align and engage in joint advocacy efforts may not result in specific policy and shared voice on matter and issue.

sf sentencing chair by da - quarterly opportunities for TJ to present there and be in attendance and working to continue with work of commission

safety and justice workgroup and specifically focused to reducing jail population and doing so with the race and equity lens and disparities that exist

police commission report and BRP

questions: or thoughts:

as - POA contract - DA work civil unrest black americans are working on right now
dc - poa contract, we were involved in the presentation of Legislation by sup ronen which serve to prevent blindsided by meet and confer and more transparency with what happens in this contract in particular, believe in transparency and movement going forward, we want to see the police officers union to change their approach and be more open to reform and historic homicide charge against police officer following officer involved shooting and not something we take lightly and we take it v seriously, this office acted unlawfully when he took the life of mr. o'neil 3 years ago. committed and holding people accountable and SFPD do hard work but those that fail to go to the law

RJ - promise to revisit officer involved shootings, will there be update on charges to filed and which one reviewed, and which ones not

dc - in process to review pending - been looked at before by prior admin, but will hear from near future one way or the other

ta - iib (investigative bureau) on da website, sheriff and pd misconduct and already



investigated on division and see on trends over time and how that conduct by pd , state legislative efforts, we “cure the conflict” chesa boudin dec 7th, dollar investment that member groups (union group) to da races - and inherently a conflict so candidates that take money recuse from cases that have crime - trying to influence other das to not take money from that organization - locally in june - expand the eligibility for victim compensation for people that have experienced police violence - and consideration for alternatives for forms of proof to what happens - announced back in june and eligible - victims services division - justice not by geography - did not pass the senate and looking for champion in next legislative cycle - and report out on and we take positions on bills and mayor and bos and hope we join us on

as - prop 17 - youth and previously incarcerated with president and vice president elect

- policy and what has been going on - and what's been happening in regards to immigration issues - xenophobic and charged with anti-immigrant sentiment - being able to breathe - but being able to be safe is another
- dc - da protect and respect sanctuary city, first former undocumented supervisor in bos, protecting sf status as sanctuary city, and committed to that and staff to make sure our staff protects people and have worked with defense council to drop charges - we are committed to that so long as i'm here and big priority for this office, tbh - immigration going forward is not stopping bad things from happening, but undoing the bad things that have occurred in the past 4 years, and will take time to understand that and i hope sf continues to be but good in those areas i think that we are going to take time to undo the damage that trump admin has done but this office is v much committed to do everything on our end to protect the rights of everyone irrespective to immigration status.
- ta - we are looking at pending cases, but previous conviction but to release that prohibit or reduce deported/transfer, current cases as we've had pr - front of mind key issues, community works da - make it right and restorative circle and harm and with family. And with the person and making amends. Looking at taking great foundation with Juvenile Justice and infusing it with the coj side. With reducing caseloads and not seen as alternatives and mainstream for healing and surviving.
- Nora Hylton: possible presentations with work groups and committees - position on the police commission, that is how we want to bring more youth voices in city hall if any commissions or councils have any open fit for youth commission or other youth as official roles
 - As: agree and communication of selected individuals have our lived experiences and noticed historical areas of improvement with sfusd - communities of color
 - Tara: the sf sentencing commission does not have a designated seat for young adult or youth- reentry council does tay to enhance their outreach and struggle with filling that seat and recognizing that we can create a space to make that our opportunity authentic - meeting time and format. And something that we are interested with sentencing commission membership of that body and going back to board with reauthorization and looking at membership and seats mostly department sides - one is family violence and reentry bos and mayor and professional capacity based and skew older professional by nature of qualification and create seats and intentionality with opportunities to voices heard and director of policy new admin code model due in two years to make sure it's real.
 - Work group of sentencing commission no appointment when the safety and Justice Committee as a formal ordinance by fewer targeted scope focused on closure of cj4 and extra appointment. Typically all workgroup equivalent to subcommittee work and be involved with the work group component with sentencing
 - Number of advisory bodies 7-9 to the da attorney bodies not formal but open forum where if directly engage with da and exec on key issue areas and interact and hear and inform policy and practice
 - System involved and impacted
 - Demographic groups identity based
 - Da general community (open town hall and ask questions) to enhance awareness



- CJ limited and all different sense of guide and function what's helpful in that space
- facebook live - opp to hear from DA and new things from the office how we make sure the word is spread and different ways to engage and be informed and continuum of community engagement and contributing and active

Tangible point of collab

- Nh advising bodies for youth advisement youth seat and police commission one or two youth.
 - Youth friendly time
 - Ways to out for transportation
- DC open to advice - thinking outside the box and something being done and challenging at first, for example Free muni for youth informally just engaged high schools in city and we had thousands of young people and participation in meeting at mta and happen informally and network and relationships to bring people beyond youth commission. Don't sell people short to reach out.
- bpp -> presentation
 - Sex work and broadly speaking when looking at conduct to peel back layers on what's going on in circumstance assault charge and exploited by someone else and interaction si coming forth with prevalent
 - The different activities and happening in neighborhood and enforcement to that activity and holistic lens to unlawful conduct under resources and seen recently insufficient resources in prosecutor how we are prioritizing the most and serious violent acts and pursuing those than areas of unlawful conduct "redefining safety and healing"
 - Standard practice of ssf work state law changed that prohibit and prosecuting sec work of an act of they are engaging in sex work as to what happens to them
 - Décrit policies to drugs I think we are looking at Office state legislation with what is happening at state. And operations are dictated by penal code and state level reforms to make sure we prioritize resources to most violent
- next steps
 - continue this dialogue and big projects coming forward and stay in touch and welcoming ideas to have that youth voice be heard in the work that we do.
 - 10-12 sentencing third Wednesday 12/2 intentional invitation may or may not make sense for priorities of 20-21. And create space on that agenda. And if it aligns with timing knew Year meeting
 - tara previously served on the oakland police commission - adult capacity, your schedules and the youth commission and appreciate the service and hope we can continue to work together and be a student of your wisdom and service
- Chair Jones calls for a 5 minutes Break. Commissioners to come back at 6:05pm.

Discussion

- nh – awkward meeting over zoom with technical difficulties and it was more introductory than expected since the invitation seemed like there was more points of collaboration - keep working at it. Awkward to say.
- As - oh maybe not a dialogue you are going to say. Ex amount of resource because someone isn't included.
- Gv / general good meeting no tangible steps, but da is good they want to have that connection. And they are like using good language and aligns with tj value.



- Rj- you have to come in with direct act to say yes or no. But for steps moving forward. Group list to work that out and direct some ask and go based on what we heard. Reentry council tay young person trouble filling and need to know more about that seat and youth commission and making recommendations and helping with outreach to fill that seat. Political body as well and looking for young people. ESP. If no network to find them and what other seats like that are like there troubles out there and moving forward with meeting without seat being filled and push on for them and in the chat I heard some that's one place to have relationship and tangible seats and model and how they got that seat and take it to the model that don't exist. And then I think it's going to sit with seats and thing we want to ask for and where you can help on this if you can't help who can. Public defenders office and how those two positions reside in the courtroom and circle back with public defenders and collaborated and separated asks as well.
- Nh - process and who make requirement that affects young people legislation bos to go to us and request a commission or a divisor boards that should have a youth seat. 100%, that's kinda what I was trying to say in the meeting, that since they seem to be having trouble filling their youth seat maybe we could advise them on ways they can improve the seat and they can do to possibly encourage youth to apply
- Gv - public defender. will need to know more about da officer as there seems to be a lot of infrastructure being built and systems changed
- Gl - hard to stay focused with a lot of information
- Aa - awkward and no plan for point of collab. it was a very introductory meeting without concrete plans moving forward.
- Gv- no ask but we will have to figure out our own work.
- Rj - they genuinely believe we should be asking them something even tho they struggling with filling youth seat and figure out what we want to be doing. We noticed you have a youth seat and can we hope u fill that. Connection they had better connected public defenders than with chesa
- Gv - over the weekend Juvenile public defender on bos commission to close Juvenile hall. Contact Kasie Lee. Rebecca Marcus. Husband is the head of public defender office.
- Rj - reentry council connection will need to worked again since geoffrea morris left and is now leg aide for safai office.

B. Relationship Building Activity led by Commissioner Amara Santos

Commissioner Santos led the group in an icebreaker about "if you could a reality tv show and why - there are judges, shady camera people, audience fillers, cooking show, competitive, housewife" and the Commissioners answered.

Gv- top chef and money go to charity and also cash, eat good food and live in a home. Keeping up with kardishians. ugly delicious

As- nailed it. Worst chefs of America. Gemma from big brother. I want to be a meme. Groceries game. Casual with no skill. Chopped is overwhelming.

Aa- my kitchen nightmares I like being a hater. Americas next top model Tyra banks exposed. Idiot sandwiches

Nh- the gbbo and love island. Easy to win. Master chef junior gavin lwhs mashed potato mixer cathedral Sf legend.

Rj- not a love show cause not trying to fall in love with everyone. Million dollar listing. Commission



for days. Undercover boss. Tell my boss it's awful.

Gl- guys grocery gbbo or nailed it. Japanese terrace house. Not that dramatic

At- worth it, chef's line, lego wars

C. Local Report Back

Commissioner Jones - via text message learned of a new task force in d10

Commissioner Hylton - dcyf featured 2 commissioners in the unicef youth stories - adrianna and nora

Commissioner Asfaw - workgroup dgo 7.01 interesting it's mainly rep from public defender who talks, and everyone else and adults - none of the youth talk a lot either, wanted to review for our next meeting share with everyone and i'm supposed to come back with notes on it and not everyone needs to look at it. because capacity. youth - me and the other kid. to give feedback on body camera usage, next meeting 12/15 or 12/5 - 3pm - 4:30 pm, (RJ, AS, NH will support offline)

Commissioner Jones - reportback on 12/14 - presented and implicit bias (survey)? we had a lot of complications on how you survey people and the group was divided on survey, and will be reporting back on any upcoming actions

staff truong reminds committee that they are our trusted representatives in other bodies and also that they can lean on their peers for any task that need support in outreach or review or research.

D. TJ Goals for 2021

a. Budget and Policy Priorities for 2021 - 2022

Commissioner Jones motioned to table the discussion for the next meeting after coming up with direct asks and assessing information, seconded by Commissioner Veiga. Motion passes by vote of acclamation.

Commissioners will review resources and previous conversation on goals for the year to prepare for the conversation.

E. Workgroup Updates

a. Budget Reallocation (GV - AA)

- no updates at the moment

b. Community Work (RJ - GL)

- d10 taskforce to renounce violence. commissioner jones will keep us posted.

c. Post Election Statement (nh - as - gl)

- committee met last week, will meet again. experienced questions regarding format and will be reaching out to calvin for support.
- hope to have it ready for 11/30 fyc
- land acknowledgement statement is in the works as well.

F. Action Planning

a. Opportunities to plug in

- DefundSFPD letter
 - committee shares approval with new letter.



b. Calendar

- 12/14 Alternatives to Sheriff will be presenting
- commissioner jones wishes for a presentation and reestablish relationship with public defender's office. staff will reach out to the public defender's office

6. Staff Report

- a. community care activity log
- b. send shout outs for evelyn cause she's terming out in 2 weeks (digital card/zine for her)
- c. sign up for the ig take over
- d. sign up for the buddy system
- e. stay safe amidst thanksgiving

7. Appreciations

- rj - committee for committing to a virtual conversation and showing faces on camera
- as - convo - and fire passion for my check in
- nh - fun check in and appreciate everyone for speaking with and all the stuff we've had to deal with condescending online adult presence
- gl - trying to be engaged and present with awkward conversation and being there so bad
- gv - enthusiasm and check in question, volunteering to take on different things and action items and participating real well
- aa - appreciate everyone for conversation with weird people, amara for fun check in and chairs for running our meetings smoothly
- at - appreciate everyone for their unpaid labor and commit to working on making sure you all are credited and compensated for your wisdom and time.
- nh - will lead next meeting's relationship builder

8. Adjournment

Commissioner Jones adjourns the meeting at 7:05 PM.