



JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY
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REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2011 - 6:00-8:00 P.M.
Humboldt County Office of Education Annex
901 Myrtle Ave., Eureka, CA 95501

E Rose Baker	X Peggy Hobbs
X Erica Balcom-Storre	X Maureen Johannsen
X Steve D'Agati	X Antoinette Martin
X Bill Daniel	X Josh Meisel
X Nestor Domingo	X Steve Schaening
X Dave Douglas	X Nathan Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Martin, Matt Daniel, Shelley Nilsen, Cheryl Ingham, Kathleen McCormick, Judge Hinrichs, Winona Aubrey

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Douglas at 6:00 P.M. A quorum was present.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members and guests joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 INTRODUCTIONS

Members and guests introduced themselves.

2.0 ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Domingo and seconded by Commissioner Daniel to adjust the agenda to allow for the swearing in of new commissioners. Motion carried.

3.0 SWEARING IN OF NEW COMMISSIONERS

Judge Hinrichs administered the Oath of Office to Steve Schaening and Nathan Smith swearing them in as new commissioners. Members and guests joined in welcoming them aboard.

4.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There were no correspondences.

5.0 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2011 MEETING

It was moved by Commissioner Daniel and seconded by Commissioner Domingo to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

6.0 COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Meisel reported that some of his students are developing a survey to administer to youth and their families who have participated in the Arcata Diversion Program to gather feedback on how it is working and identify possible improvements that could be made. He also requested a discussion item to explore actions the commission could take to facilitate a restorative justice process following the recent destruction of playground equipment in an Arcata neighborhood. Commissioners granted his request although a formal motion was not made.

Commissioner Martin announced that the Pathways to Health program recently had its 500th graduate.

7.0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORTS

7.1 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Shelley Nilsen reported that DHHS has received a grant from the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to develop a strategic plan for the expansion of the Children's System of Care in Humboldt County. In addition, the Transitional Aged Youth division is up and running and should be fully staffed in the upcoming weeks.

7.2 RCAA/YSB

Commissioner Balcom-Storre reported that she spoke with Maura Eastman of YSB regarding concerns about the demonstration project in Southern Humboldt which would provide emergency shelter services in that area. She learned that for various reasons the efforts at getting the project off the ground 'fell through' but YSB still intends to make another attempt. They are re-applying for funding and will start looking for families who would provide these services.

7.3 HUMBOLDT COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Cheryl Ingham reported that HSU has been conducting a truancy study which is expected to be released at the end of October. HCOE will then form a committee to examine the data and work on developing a truancy reduction plan.

8.0 JUVENILE COURT

Judge Hinrichs reported that she is in charge of a committee to develop protocols in response to a new law regarding juvenile competency. Also, she is working to create a specialized court to deal with truancy cases. This will allow issues of truancy to be addressed at an earlier age.

9.0 COMMISSIONER REPORTS

9.1 ADMINISTRATION

Chair Douglas requested that Commissioner D'Agati arrange the inspections of Juvenile Hall and the Regional Facility for the morning of December 14. An inspection of the Eureka Police Department will take place that afternoon. Chair Douglas also mentioned that there are still openings for two youth commissioners and one regular commissioner.

9.2 DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

Commissioner Johannsen reported on the Police/Parent Relations subcommittee which met prior to the regular meeting. They are still gathering information such as police department policy statements, police training materials, and other information. This committee will meet one hour prior to each regular JJDPC meeting at HCOE's Oak room. Currently, the committee consists of Commissioners Baker, Balcom-Storre, Domingo, Hobbs, Johannsen, and Martin. Kathleen McCormick is also involved. Anyone else is invited to participate.

10.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Martin and seconded by Commissioner Daniel to establish a subcommittee under the Juvenile Justice Chair to explore options for implementing a Restorative Justice process in the community. Motion carried with one descending vote. Commissioner Meisel volunteered to chair this committee and Commissioners D'Agati and Schaening also volunteered. Anyone else, on or off the commission, may participate if they wish and should contact Commissioner Meisel if interested.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.