

MINUTES
BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS MEETING
Thursday, April 16, 2026
10:00 A.M.
BOARD MEETING

Meeting Held In-Person, Zoom & Teleconference

Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors Board Room
105 E. Anapamu St., Fourth Floor
Santa Barbara, California 93101

The full recording of the meeting can be viewed here:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= YhQA4KYEAK](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhQA4KYEAK)

I. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Linda Penner called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M., welcomed the Board members and the public to the off-site meeting, thanked all the board members for traveling and attending the meeting in person, and thanked Supervisor Capps for hosting the meeting in Santa Barbara.

Supervisor Capps welcomed the Board.

Chair Penner thanked the IT staff for navigating technology issues at the beginning of the meeting and announced that Chief Scott, Chief Branning, and Judge Gaard were joining the meeting virtually from private locations.

Chair Penner asked Joanna Gonzales, Board Secretary, to provide instructions on public participation for the meeting and take attendance. Board Secretary called roll and announced that there was a quorum.

The following members were in attendance:

Chair Penner	Dr. Lai	Sheriff Taylor	Chief Branning	Dr. Castro Rodriguez
Chief Haynes	Ms. Capps	Ms. Gaard	Ms. Cumpian	Sheriff Clark
Ms. Zaragoza	Chief Scott	Mr. Budnick		

*Board members Mr. Macomber and Mr. Bishop were absent.

II. Information Items

1. Chair's Report

Chair Penner refrained from the Chair's report and deferred to Executive Director Aaron Maguire for the Executive Director's Report.

2. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Aaron Maguire flagged agenda item F. Determination of Suitability for Campus Kilpatrick and noted that there was a change in the staff's recommendation. Staff recommends deferring the suitability determination to the next Board meeting because the State Fire Marshal issued a temporary occupancy permit the previous evening.

Executive Director Maguire provided an update on the following grants:

- The federal administration and President Trump released the fiscal year 2027 budget proposal and the BSCC anticipates an increase to the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), an elimination of community violence intervention grant funding at the federal level, and the bipartisan Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) that BSCC was funding will not be renewed moving forward as it was one time funding. There were some additional terms and conditions that were put into the JAG funding and the BSCC is working with the California Department of Justice to review the terms. The BSCC has applied for the grant and submitted a reservation of rights with that application.
- California Violence Intervention Prevention Grant (CalVIP): approximately 90% of the grant proposals were not selected for funding, and many grant applicants were upset over the outcome of that competitive process. BSCC grant staff and other stakeholders held a listening session with applicants to hear their concerns and ideas for future requests for proposals for CalVIP.
- Proposition 64 Grant: the BSCC now has 125 million dollars available for Proposition 64 grant funding. The application period for this grant is closed. The BSCC received 84 applications requesting a total of 241 million dollars. The grants will be used for law enforcement, fire protection, or other local public programs. Of the 84 applications received, 65 have indicated they will pursue public safety and reduction of illicit cannabis efforts. The awards will be brought to the Board for consideration at the June meeting with the program beginning on July 1, 2026.

Director Maguire stated that although Closed Session was on the agenda, they were not going to hold a Closed Session since there were a lot of technology issues at the

beginning of the meeting. He provided an update on the following Los Angeles juvenile facilities:

- Barry J. Nidorf SYTF: Los Angeles County submitted a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) for eight items of non-compliance identified during the December 25, 2025 targeted inspection. The CAP was approved on March 16, 2026. This item is on the agenda for consideration by the Board.
- Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall: the facility remains unsuitable. The county submitted a CAP for 12 items of non-compliance and this item is on the agenda for consideration by the Board.
- Campus Vernon Kilpatrick: the BSCC made an unannounced site visit to the facility on March 1, 2026, and found four items of non-compliance. The BSCC provided an inspection report to the county on April 10 and they must submit an additional corrective action plan by June 9. Items of non-compliance, in addition to the fire issues that are in the current report, include issues related to staffing, use of force, use of restraints and programs, recreation, and exercise. This is item F on today's agenda and will be considered by the Board.
- Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall: BSCC staff made an announced site visit on March 8, 2026. BSCC staff observed overall improvements, and spoke with the youth, who reported getting more program, recreation, and exercise opportunities. A formal reinspection of Los Padrinos has not been requested or scheduled at this time.

Executive Director Maguire then turned it over to General Counsel Le-Mai Lyons to provide the legal update.

3. Legal Update

General Counsel Le-Mai Lyons provided the legal update to the Board.

There are three pending litigation matters the BSCC is involved with related to Los Angeles County.

- *County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Probation Department v. BSCC*: this matter is in Los Angeles Superior Court where the County and Probation Department are seeking a writ of mandamus, asking to vacate BSCC's unsuitability finding of Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall. There are no new updates to this case. The trial setting conference is scheduled for May 7, 2026.
- *In Re Brandon*: the habeas case before Judge Espinoza, related to Los Angeles' depopulation plan for Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall. The next order to show cause hearing is scheduled for April 24, 2026. The BSCC will submit a status update for the court on April 17.

- *State of California v. Los Angeles County*: This case involves the California Attorney General's Office seeking appointment of a receiver to manage and oversee the Los Angeles County juvenile halls. The BSCC filed a motion for leave to file a friend of the court brief. On March 25, 2026, the court heard arguments on our motion and denied our motion to participate as friend of the court, finding that the California Attorney General's Office sufficiently represented our agency's interests. The court has held 10 order to show cause hearings so far and the next hearings are scheduled for May 8 and May 14, 2026.

General Counsel Lyons concluded her update and asked for questions.

Chair Penner opened all the items presented thus far for questions or comments from the Board members. There were none from the Board.

Chair Penner asked for public comments on any items thus far, there were no public comments for this or any items.

Chair Penner moved on to the action consent items and asked for any items that needed to be pulled or for any recusals.

Chief Haynes, Sheriff Clark and Supervisor Capps recused from item B in Consent Items.

Judge Gaard recused from item D 1, in consent items.

III. **Action: Consent Items**

- A. [Minutes from the February 12, 2026 Board Meeting](#): **Requesting Approval**
- B. [Byrne Justice Assistance Grant, 9-Month, No-Cost Extension](#): **Requesting Approval**
 - o Attachment B-1: [List of JAG Cohort 3 Grant Recipients](#)
- C. [Imperial County SB 863 Scope Change](#): **Requesting Approval**
 - o Attachment C-1: [Imperial County SB 863 Application](#)
 - o Attachment C-2: [Imperial County SB 863 Scope Change Request](#)
 - o Attachment C-3: [Imperial County SB 863 Scope Comparison](#)
- D. [Corrective Action Plans](#): **Requesting Approval**
 - 1. Los Angeles County
 - Attachment D-1: [Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall](#)
 - Attachment D-2: [Barry J. Nidorf Secure Youth Treatment Facility](#)
 - 2. Yuba County
 - Attachment D-3: [Tri-County Youth Development Center, Tri-County Secure Youth Treatment Facility, and Maxine Singer Youth Guidance Center](#)

Chair Penner took items A and C together since there were no recusals for these items. Sheriff Taylor motioned, and Sheriff Clark seconded. The motion for consent items A and C carried.

Chair Penner moved on to consent item B and D1. Sheriff Taylor motioned and Ms. Zaragoza seconded. Chief Haynes, Sheriff Clark, and Supervisor Capps recused from item B. Judge Gaard recused from item D 1. Scott Budnick abstained from voting. The motion carried.

Chair Penner moved on to consent item D2. Sheriff Clark motioned and Dr. Castro Rodriguez seconded. The motion for consent item D2 carried.

Chair Penner moved on to the action discussion items.

IV. **Action: Discussion Items**

E. Determination of Suitability (Welf. & Inst. Code, § 209(a)(4) & (d)(3)): Orange County Probation¹: Requesting Approval

1. Orange County Juvenile Hall
2. Youth Guidance Center
3. Youth Leadership Academy
 - Attachment E-1: September 12, 2025 Initial Inspection Report – Juvenile Hall
 - Attachment E-2: September 12, 2025 Initial Inspection Report – Youth Leadership Academy
 - Attachment E-3: September 12, 2025 Initial Inspection Report – Youth Guidance Center
 - Attachment E-4: November 11, 2025 Corrective Action Plan Juvenile Hall
 - Attachment E-5: November 11, 2025 Corrective Action Plan YGC
 - Attachment E-6: November 11, 2025 Corrective Action Plan YLA
 - Attachment E-7: January 23, 2026 Comprehensive Inspection Report
 - Attachment E-8: April 1, 2026 Notice of Suitability Determination

General Counsel Le-Mai Lyons presented this agenda item which requested the Board make a determination of suitability within the meaning of Welfare and Institutions Code section 209, subdivision (a)(4) for the Juvenile Hall, Youth Leadership Academy, and Youth Guidance Center, and find that the three facilities are suitable for the confinement of juveniles.

Chair Penner verified if there were any recusals for this item, there were none.

Chair Penner then announced that Chief Daniel Hernandez from Orange County Probation Department was in attendance and would present on behalf of Orange

County for this item. Chief Hernandez's presentation may be viewed here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= YhQA4KYEAK](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhQA4KYEAK). Start: 25:21; End: 38:33.

Chair Penner asked for questions or comments from the Board. Dr. Lai thanked Chief Hernandez for his presentation. Chief Haynes also thanked him for his presentation and his department's work to get their facilities to be compliant. Sheriff Taylor also thanked him and said that it is possible for all 58 counties in California to comply with correcting issues. Supervisor Capps welcomed Chief Hernandez to Santa Barbara. Mr. Budnick thanked the Chief and his staff for quickly fixing the areas of non-compliance and being at the meeting. Ms. Zaragoza also echoed that it was refreshing to see a county quickly address the issues and remedy them. Chair Penner also thanked and acknowledged the BSCC staff involved in assisting Orange County with becoming compliant and making the trip to the Board meeting, even after they were notified that they were going to move forward with the recommendation to find the three facilities suitable for confinement of juveniles.

Chair Penner asked for public comments on this item. Public comments were heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed by turning closed captions on here:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= YhQA4KYEAK](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhQA4KYEAK). Start: 45:12; End: 48:06

Chair Penner asked for a motion and a second. Scott Budnick motioned, Chief Haynes seconded. The Board voted and the motion for agenda item E carried.

F. Determination of Suitability (Welf. & Inst. Code, § 209(a)(4) & (d)(3)): County of Los Angeles, Camp Vernon Kilpatrick: **Requesting Approval**

- o Attachment F-1: November 4, 2025 Initial Inspection Report – Juvenile Hall
- o Attachment F-2: January 5, 2026 Corrective Action Plan – Campus Vernon Kilpatrick Juvenile Hall
- o Attachment F-3: April 6, 2026 Notice of Suitability Determination

Chair Penner moved on to item F and asked for any recusals. Executive Director Maguire said Judge Gaard and Scott Budnick would recuse.

General Counsel Lyons presented this agenda item and reminded the Board that the recommendation changed, and they should defer the suitability determination until the next board meeting scheduled for June 25, 2026, because new information was provided to the BSCC on April 14, 2026. Prior to receiving the new information, the recommendation within the meaning of Welfare and Institutions Code section 209, subdivision (a)(4) for Campus Vernon Kilpatrick (CVK), was going to be that the board find the facility unsuitable for the confinement of juveniles.

Chair Penner clarified that Los Angeles County had 30 days to outline a plan for correcting their issues and an additional 30 days to make the corrections. Board member Norma Cumpian asked if the facility was safe, and General Counsel Lyons said that within the State Fire Marshal's purview, they had been issued a temporary certificate of occupancy allowing them to use the facility and reminded everyone that the first 30 days the county had to propose a correction plan and once approved they would have 30 days to make repairs. Sheriff Clark asked for confirmation that the certificate of occupancy was issued by the State Fire Marshal and General Counsel Lyons confirmed. Chief Haynes asked if the county was using the area as an intake area and if the county will be allowed to continue to use it. General Counsel Lyons responded that they should not be using the area based on the direction of the State Fire Marshal.

Chair Penner recognized that the Los Angeles County Communications Manager and County Counsel were in attendance and invited them to present.

Communications Manager Vicki Waters, and County Counsel Jonathan McCaverty presented on behalf of the county. Their presentation may be viewed here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= YhQA4KYEAK](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhQA4KYEAK). Start: 58:18; End: 1:03:12.

Chair Penner asked for public comments on this item. Public comments were heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed by turning closed captions on here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= YhQA4KYEAK](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhQA4KYEAK). Start: 1:03:13; End: 1:08:05.

At the conclusion of the public comments, Chair Penner emphasized that she and the Board understand the public's frustration in having Los Angeles on the agenda again for non-compliance. Board Member Angeles Zaragoza asked General Counsel Lyons if there is a solution to the serious staffing issues at CVK and General Counsel Lyons said that an initial inspection report was provided to the county and they have until June 9, 2026 to submit a Corrective Action Plan (CAP). The Board will consider the CAP at the next board meeting. Board Member Norma Cumpian asked for clarification on which areas of CVK were still unsuitable for use and General Counsel Lyons noted the intake reception area is currently not permitted to be used, but the dining commons and cottages are also potentially affected by the fire clearance issue. Executive Director Maguire also clarified that CVK is only required to have the intake reception center if they are operating as a juvenile hall and if they have a certificate of occupancy for the rest of the campus, it could still be operated as a camp.

Chair Penner asked for a motion and a second to approve the deferment of suitability for this item to the June 25, 2026 Board Meeting. Sheriff Clark motioned, Dr. Castro Rodriguez seconded. The Board voted and the motion for agenda item F carried.

G. STC Training Cost Policy: Requesting Approval

- o Attachment G-1: STC's Policy and Procedure Manual for Training Providers: Current Tuition Policy
- o Attachment G-2: Findings from STC's Tuition Policy Review
- o Attachment G-3: Proposed Training Cost Policy, Effective July 1, 2026
- o Attachment G-4: Proposed Training Cost Policy, Effective July 1, 2027
- o Attachment G-5: Proposed Revisions to the California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Sections 231, 232, 299,317, and 320
- o Attachments G-6: Public Comment
 - a. Sheriff Shannon D. Dicus, Letter: April 7, 2026
 - b. Anthony Poponi, Email: April 7, 2026
 - c. Duane Christian, Email: April 9, 2026

Chair Penner moved on to item G.

Kasey Warmuth, Deputy Director of Standards and Training for Corrections (STC) and Research presented this agenda item which requested Board approval of an update in the STC training cost policy. This item requests approval for staff to begin the rulemaking process for revisions to Title 15 as proposed in attachment G-5 and bring a final package for approval if substantive revisions are made to the draft language during the regulatory making process; and if no substantive changes are made to the draft regulatory language, direct staff to file the final regulatory package with the Office of Administrative Law.

Sheriff Taylor thanked Deputy Director Warmuth for her presentation and spoke on the fact that many smaller counties have difficulties with training, and this training cost policy might help improve that. Sheriff Clark echoed the sentiment and said he supports the policy. Chief Haynes also shared support for the policy. Chair Penner thanked Deputy Director Warmuth and acknowledged she has worked on this policy for a long time. Dr. Lai stated she is in support of more training, but wanted to know how training costs would be capped and Deputy Director Warmuth said that the BSCC would keep an eye on rising costs and reminded the Board that the funding pool has not been increased.

Chair Penner asked for public comments on this item. Public comments were heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed by turning closed captions on here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhQA4KYEAk>. Start: 1:36:42; End: 1:38:47.

Chair Penner asked for a motion and a second to approve item G. Board Member Scott Budnick motioned, Sheriff Clark seconded. The Board voted and the motion for agenda item G carried.

H. Local Detention Facilities Inspection Update: Information Only

- Attachment H-1: [Adult Items of Noncompliance](#)
- Attachment H-2: [Juvenile Items of Noncompliance](#)

Chair Penner moved on to the last agenda item and reminded everyone that this item is informational only. Steven Wicklander, Deputy Director of Facilities Standards and Operations & County Facilities Construction, presented. Deputy Director Wicklander also took a moment to thank Lisa Southwell who has completed inspections and worked with the counties on compliance.

Chair Penner asked for comments or questions from the Board. There were none.

Chair Penner asked for public comments on this item, there were no public comments.

V. **Public Comments**

Chair Penner called for public comment.

Public comment was heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed by turning closed captions on here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_YhQA4KYEAK. Public comments Start: 1:42:38; End: 1:47:32.

VI. **Closed Session – Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Pending Litigation (Gov. Code § 11126, subd. (e)(1) & (2)(A).)**

- *County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Probation Department v. Board of State and Community Corrections*, Case No. 25STCP01415 – (Gov. Code, § 11126, subd. (e)(2)(A).)
- *State of California v. Los Angeles County* – (Gov. Code,)

Note: There was no closed session at this meeting.

VII. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at: 12:32 P.M.

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

BSCC BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Chair Penner, Chair, Board of State and Community Corrections
2. Vice Chair Haynes, Chief Probation Officer, Fresno County
3. Mr. Scott, Chief of Police & Emergency Management, Department of Public Safety
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
4. Ms. Branning, Chief Probation Officer, Lassen County
5. Ms. Gaard, Retired Judge, Yolo County
6. Mr. Taylor, Sheriff, San Benito County
7. Dr. Lai, M.D. Berkeley, Alameda County
8. Dr. Castro Rodriguez, PsyD, LMFT, San Francisco, California
9. Ms. Zaragoza, Attorney, Less Restrictive Program Subject Matter Expert with the
Office of Youth and Community Restoration
10. Mr. Budnick, Founder of Anti-Recidivism Coalition
11. Ms. Cumpian, Assistant Deputy Director, Women's Department, Anti-Recidivism
Coalition
12. Ms. Capps, Chair of the Board of Supervisors, Santa Barbara County
13. Mr. Clark, Sheriff, Santa Cruz County

Absent:

14. Mr. Macomber, Secretary, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
15. Mr. Bishop, Director, Division of Adult Parole Operations, CDCR

BSCC STAFF:

Aaron R. Maguire, Executive Director
Le-Mai Lyons, Chief Deputy Director / General Counsel
Kasey Warmuth, Deputy Director Standards and Training for Corrections and Research
Steve Wicklander, Deputy Director, Facility Standards and Operations
Joanna Gonzales, Board Secretary