

MINUTES - AMENDED
State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
April 22, 2014

Board of State and Community Corrections
660 Bercut Drive
Sacramento, CA 95811

The State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (SACJJDP) meeting was called to order at 10:14 a.m.

The following Committee members were in attendance:

Ms. Sandra McBrayer, Chair
Reverend Amos Brown

Honorable Brian Back
Honorable Nancy O'Malley

Ms. Carol Biondi

Agenda Item A **Approval of the SACJJDP January 22, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

As a quorum was not present, the SACJJDP's meeting minutes from January 22, 2014 could not be approved. As such, the minutes were tabled for approval until the Committee's next meeting.

Agenda Item B

Chair and Staff Updates

Deputy Director William Crout updated the SACJJDP on the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) for 2014, which will focus on education and prevention, law enforcement, prosecution, courts, and defense. Funding will be based on local flexibility, with a strong emphasis on evidence-based practices. The next Byrne-JAG Executive Steering Committee (ESC) meeting will be held on April 23, 2014.

Chair Sandra McBrayer mentioned that this year's Byrne-JAG will be the first of its kind to afford funding to education, law enforcement, and public counsel. She also explained how the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) will affect Byrne-JAG funding. She then conveyed the SACJJDP's recommendations in regard to Byrne-JAG. This includes information sharing regarding reducing ethnic disparity, the suitability of programs represented by a minimum acceptable score, economies of scale, a measure of accountability in order to gauge the success of the program by capturing the observable outcomes of the grant, and, finally, to cast a wide net for applicants and inform the general public of the opportunity for funding.

Deputy Director Allison Ganter updated the Committee on the remaining funding within Senate Bill (SB) 81. The second round of funding will award the remaining \$79.2 million to counties for the construction of juvenile detention facilities via an ESC. The SACJJDP then discussed the kinds of outcomes they would like to see from SB 81, Round Two.

Mr. Crout then updated the SACJJDP on staff changes within the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC). This included Field Representatives Magi Work and Colleen Curtin joining the Corrections Planning and Programs (CPP) Division, and Ms. Allison Ganter assuming the role of Deputy Director for the Facilities Standards and Operations (FSO) Division.

Chair McBrayer updated the Committee on her attendance at the Coalition of Juvenile Justice, to be held in Washington, D.C. in June 2014.

Agenda Item C

Review of Proposed Legislation for Support or Opposition

Chair McBrayer updated the Committee on two bills. The first bill is Assembly Bill (AB) 2276 Pupils: transfers from juvenile court schools. This is an act to amend Sections 48645.5 and 49069.5 of, to add Section 48647 to, and to add and repeal Section 48648 of, the Education Code, relating to pupils. This bill would specify that a pupil who has had contact with the juvenile justice system shall be immediately enrolled in a public school in accordance with specified provisions. The second bill, AB 1643 Pupil attendance: school attendance review boards. This is an act to amend Section 48321 of the Education Code, relating to pupil attendance. This bill will require counties to establish attendance review boards and enable certain educational protections to juveniles released from detention and expelled students.

Mr. Crout updated the Committee on Senate Bill (SB) 1054: Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction (MIOCR) grant. This bill would require the BSCC to administer and award MIOCR grants on a competitive basis to counties that expand or establish a continuum of swift, certain, and graduated responses to reduce crime and criminal justice costs related to mentally ill juvenile and adult offenders.

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SB 838 was introduced to the Committee by Chair McBrayer. SB 838, more commonly known as Audrie's Law, would add Section 290.1 to the Penal Code, and amend Sections 676, 730, and 790 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to juveniles. The legislation would call for the ability to have automatic referral to adult court for juveniles committing sexting crimes.

**Youthful Offender Block Grant, Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act Program,
Agenda Item D and California Gang Reduction and Intervention Program Update**

Mr. Crout updated the Committee with two reports created by BSCC staff discussing the Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG) and the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA). He shared an overview of the data collected within the JJCPA program. The JJCPA program allocated \$107 million to counties, of which \$99 million was spent in the 2012-2013 fiscal year to support 149 programs that supported 86,000 youth. The JJCPA program produced significantly better results than the comparison group within four of the six mandated outcome measures: arrest rate, incarceration rate, completion of probation, and probation violation rate. The YOBG for fiscal year 2012-2013 allocated \$93.4 million, of which \$88.5 million served 41,000 youth statewide. Outcome data collected by a statewide sample of 1,160 youth showed that youth in YOBG-funded programs received a significantly higher number of services provided, such as risk/need assessments and case plan development.

He went on to update the SACJJDP on the California Gang Reduction and Intervention Program (CALGRIP). The ESC for this program will meet on May 23, 2014 to develop a Request for Proposals (RFP) in order to disburse \$9,200,000 in funding to cities. The BSCC will provide training to its CALGRIP providers on Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) and Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparity (R.E.D.).

Agenda Item E Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparity Solicitation – Revised Timeline

Chair McBrayer then updated the Committee on its RFP to disburse the Title II Formula Grants. As the SACJJDP did not receive a robust response to its original RFP for a variety of reasons (primarily that counties are overwhelmed with realignment), the Committee then decided to pull the RFP and conduct extensive outreach to encourage those county probation departments interested in reducing racial and ethnic disparity and disproportionality to apply. The RFP will be re-released in May 2014.

Reverend Amos Brown cited the need to include community-based organizations and gave an example of New York City's faith-based programs as an evidence-based practice. The Committee then discussed possible avenues for bringing promising practices throughout the nation to California. This included posting such items on the BSCC's new website, out-of-state site visits, and writing 'white papers' pertaining to the subject on a quarterly basis. The possibility of subscribing via email to updates on this subject via the BSCC website was also discussed and will be looked into by BSCC staff.

**Agenda Item F Executive Steering Committee and Timeline for the
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Project**

Field Representative, Colleen Stoner presented five action items related to the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) funding to the SACJJDP for approval as follows: first, the authorization of an ESC to oversee the development of an RFP to disburse \$250,000 JABG discretionary funding; second, to appoint a Chair and Co-Chair to the JABG ESC; third, to direct BSCC staff and the Executive Director to work with the JABG ESC Chairs to appoint committee members; fourth, to approve the activities in the tentative timeline presented today; and, fifth and finally, to authorize \$50,000 in discretionary funding to develop a training symposium focusing on evidence-based practices that have shown to be effective in reducing recidivism.

After her presentation, the SACJJDP discussed the differences between evidence-based programs, promising practices, and evidence-based practices. They concluded that the proposed training symposium and the development of the JABG RFP should distinguish and define these different types of programs and practices.

As a quorum was not present, Chair McBrayer suggested that the SACJJDP approve the BSCC's JABG ESC and evidence-based training symposium action items via teleconference as soon as possible.

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Agenda Item G

Future Agenda Items

- Chair McBrayer asked that BSCC Field Representative Kimberly Bushard be given an agenda item at the next SACJJDP meeting to provide additional information on the YOBG's March 2014 Annual Report.
- A Title II update was requested as an agenda item by Chair McBrayer.
- Also requested were updates on all ESCs, including, but not limited to, YOBG, R.E.D., Byrne-JAG, CALGRIP, etc., and a federal solicitation update from BSCC staff to fall within the Chair and Staff Updates.
- Ms. Carol Biondi requested that a SACJJDP membership update be added as a regular agenda item.

Adjournment

The April 22, 2014 SACJJDP meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

BSCC Staff Attendance Roster

William Crout, Deputy Director, CPP
Allison Ganter, Deputy Director, FSO
Coleen Stoner, Field Representative, CPP
Helene Zentner, Field Representative, CPP
Nathan Cusick, Division Secretary, FSO
Juanita Flores, Division Secretary, CPP