



Agenda

RACIAL JUSTICE OVERSIGHT BODY

Diversion Subcommittee Meeting

RECORD OF ACTIONS

February 17, 2022

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Diversion Subcommittee Meeting

Subcommittee Members Present:

Ellen McDonnell, Public Defender (Joined at 1:55PM)

Melvin Russell, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, on behalf of Esa Ehmen-Krause, Chief Probation Officer

Michael Pierson, Community-based Representative, Seat 3

Stephanie Medley, Director of Education & Justice at the RYSE Center, Community-based Representative, Seat 5 (Committee Chair)

Diana Becton, District Attorney (Departed at 2:15PM)

Cheryl Sudduth, Community-based Representative, Seat 7

Subcommittee Members Absent:

Louie Tirona, Acting Police Chief, City of Richmond, Local Law Enforcement Representative

Kira Faulkner, Probation Manager, on behalf of Esa Ehmen-Krause, Chief Probation Officer

Tamisha Walker, Racial Justice Coalition, Safe Return Project, Community-based Representative, Seat 1 (Departed at 1:25PM)

Staff Present:

Patrice Guillory, Director, Office of Reentry & Justice

Denise Zabkiewicz, Research & Evaluation Manager, Office of Reentry & Justice

Nicole Popczuk, Administrative Services Assistant II, Office of Reentry & Justice

Monique Tate, Program Coordinator, Office of Reentry & Justice

Committee Consultant Staff Present:

Christopher James, W. Haywood Burns Institute

1. Welcome, Introductions & Announcements

- Convened: 1:12PM

2. Public Comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the RJOB Diversion Subcommittee and not on this agenda.

- No Public Comment was received.

3. **Approval of the Record of Actions** from the December 16, 2021 Diversion Subcommittee Meeting (**Attachment 1; See Pg. 3-5**) [VOTE]

- No Public Comment was received.
- Discussion: See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/xZ2wX8O2pgY>
- Motion: Michael Pierson
- Second: Melvin Russell
- Motion carries

4. **Discuss Work Plan Progress and Priorities for 2022** (**Attachment 2; See Pg. 6-7**) [VOTE]

- No Public Comment was received.
- Discussion: See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/xZ2wX8O2pgY>
- Christopher James: Provided context to Subcommittee on why this item was agendaized; Reviewed Work Plan with Subcommittee;
 - i. Objective #1: Completed;
 - ii. Objective #2: Completed;
 - iii. Objective #3: Confirmed that we have not requested race/ethnicity data from county diversion programs to ensure equity; No comments;
 - iv. Objective #4: Eligibility Criteria will be addressing this work;
 - v. Objective #5: Bridge together the multiple efforts going on w/ Georgetown University Program; Impact Justice has been doing evaluations w/ some of the school districts; Reviewing expulsions/suspensions, law enforcement coming into the schools, and what that looks like; We may want to bring our Local School Representative, LaShante Smith, into this effort; She may have a PowerPoint presentation that she can share w/ this Subcommittee on these efforts;
 - vi. Objective #6: The combination of the efforts that the RJOB CEF Subcommittee is making (i.e., Community Capacity Funding) and JJCC Survey to CBOs may inform some of this work;
- Prioritization:
 - i. Objective #5: Getting the schools involved to align on equitable discipline; Divert youth a lot earlier from the criminal justice system; Some case studies to review:
 1. Youth Services Bureau
 2. Catholic Charities
 3. East County Middle School - Youth Justice Initiative (YJI): School was exploring training staff in Restorative Justice; Seemed like the program was going well; Stephanie to follow-up to confirm the name of the school and see how this program has been going;
 - ii. Objective #3: In progress;
 - iii. Objective #4: In progress;

5. **Review County Diversion Eligibility Criteria** (**Attachment 3; See Pg. 8-13**) [VOTE]

- No Public Comment was received.
- Discussion: See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/xZ2wX8O2pgY>
- Christopher James: Reviewed track changes with Subcommittee; Discussed adding a brief list of exclusions; Discussed finding alternatives for repeat offenders;
- Ellen McDonnell: Provided an update to the Subcommittee in regards to upcoming funding in the county that might help establish some diversionary alternatives and programs for this population; Recommends the Subcommittee focus on broad recommendations;

6. **Next Steps**

- No Public Comment was received.

- Discussion: See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/xZ2wX8O2pgY>
- Christopher James: Will work with DA to provide RJOB with a list of exclusion examples; Better define who's the discretion; Will meet w/ Stephanie about soliciting Local School District Representative, LaShante Smith's support;

7. **Adjourn to Next Diversion Subcommittee Meeting:** March 17, 2022, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- No Public Comment was received.
- Discussion: See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/xZ2wX8O2pgY>
- Adjourned: 2:45PM

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AB	Assembly Bill	HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
ABAG	Association of Bay Area Governments	HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Syndrome
ACA	Assembly Constitutional Amendment	HOV	High Occupancy Vehicle
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990	HR	Human Resources
AFSCME	American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees	HUD	United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
AICP	American Institute of Certified Planners	Inc.	Incorporated
AIDS	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome	IOC	Internal Operations Committee
ALUC	Airport Land Use Commission	ISO	Industrial Safety Ordinance
AOD	Alcohol and Other Drugs	JPA	Joint (exercise of) Powers Authority or Agreement
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act	Lamorinda	Lafayette-Moraga-Orinda Area
BAAQMD	Bay Area Air Quality Management District	LAFCo	Local Agency Formation Commission
BART	Bay Area Rapid Transit District	LLC	Limited Liability Company
BCDC	Bay Conservation & Development Commission	LLP	Limited Liability Partnership
BGO	Better Government Ordinance	Local 1	Public Employees Union Local 1
BOS	Board of Supervisors	LVN	Licensed Vocational Nurse
CALTRANS	California Department of Transportation	MAC	Municipal Advisory Council
CalWIN	California Works Information Network	MBE	Minority Business Enterprise
CalWORKS	California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids	M.D.	Medical Doctor
CAER	Community Awareness Emergency Response	M.F.T.	Marriage and Family Therapist
CAO	County Administrative Officer or Office	MIS	Management Information System
CCHP	Contra Costa Health Plan	MOE	Maintenance of Effort
CCTA	Contra Costa Transportation Authority	MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
CCP	Community Corrections Partnership	MTC	Metropolitan Transportation Commission
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant	NACo	National Association of Counties
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act	OB-GYN	Obstetrics and Gynecology
CIO	Chief Information Officer	O.D.	Doctor of Optometry
COLA	Cost of living adjustment	OES-EOC	Office of Emergency Services-Emergency Operations Center
ConFire	Contra Costa Consolidated Fire District	ORJ	Office of Reentry & Justice
CPA	Certified Public Accountant	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CPI	Consumer Price Index	Psy.D.	Doctor of Psychology
CSA	County Service Area	RDA	Redevelopment Agency
CSAC	California State Association of Counties	RJOB	Racial Justice Oversight Body
CTC	California Transportation Commission	RJTF	Racial Justice Task Force
dba	doing business as	RFI	Request For Information
EBMUD	East Bay Municipal Utility District	RFP	Request For Proposal
EIR	Environmental Impact Report	RFQ	Request For Qualifications
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	RN	Registered Nurse
EMCC	Emergency Medical Care Committee	SB	Senate Bill
EMS	Emergency Medical Services	SBE	Small Business Enterprise
EPSDT	State Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and treatment Program (Mental Health)	SWAT	Southwest Area Transportation Committee
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FAA	Federal Aviation Administration	TRANSPLAN	Transportation Planning Committee (East County)
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency	TRE or TTE	Trustee
F&HS	Family and Human Services Committee	TWIC	Transportation, Water and Infrastructure Committee
First 5	First Five Children and Families Commission (Proposition 10)	UCC	Urban Counties Caucus
FTE	Full Time Equivalent	VA	Department of Veterans Affairs
FY	Fiscal Year	vs.	versus (against)
GHAD	Geologic Hazard Abatement District	WAN	Wide Area Network
GIS	Geographic Information System	WBE	Women Business Enterprise
HCD	(State Dept of) Housing & Community Development	WCCTAC	West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services		
