



## San Benito County Probation Department

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### ***Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Meeting on June 5, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.***

Community Transition Center  
1111 San Felipe Road, Ste. 101  
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## **MINUTES**

### Members Present:

R. Ted Baraan, CPO \*  
Alan Yamamoto, Behavioral Health \*  
David Westrick, HPD Chief \*  
Darren Thompson, Sheriff \*  
Diane Ortiz, Youth Alliance

Candice Hooper, SBC District Attorney \*  
Krystal Lomanto, SBC Office of Education  
Renee Hankla, Reentry Program Manager  
Jerry Muenzer, Board of Supervisors

### Members Not Present:

Joe Frontella, Juvenile Hall Superintendent  
Steve Sanders, Superior Court Judge \*  
James Rydingsword, HHSA Director  
Eddie Escamilla, Jail Commander

Greg LaForge, Public Defender\*  
Ray Espinosa, SBC Administration  
Tracy Belton, Health & Human Services

### Guests:

Jason Scimeca, Probation Department  
Wendy Solorio, Dept. of Child Support Services  
Richard Gallardo, LCA  
Rita Campbell, Probation Department

Randy Brown, Gavilan College  
Steven Reid, Substance Abuse  
Meg Bagley, Probation Department

### *\*Executive Committee*

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order:

Chief Baraan called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. and roll call was completed.

#### 2. Acknowledgement of Certificate of Posting was done on May 26, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

A motion to approve the acknowledgement of posting was made by Candice Hooper, seconded by Dave Westrick and approved by unanimous vote.

#### 3. Public Forum:

None.

#### 4. Minutes:

Copies of the minutes from February 6, 2017, February 17, 2017 and March 6, 2017 were distributed and reviewed.

February 6, 2017 corrections: Alan Yamamoto noted a correction on page 3; CHEESPA should be spelled CHISPA. Jerry Muenzer stated Margie Barrios is listed as a Member Not Present, which should have named Jerry Muenzer.

Dave Westrick made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, which was seconded by Alan Yamamoto and approved by a unanimous vote. Candice Hooper abstained since she was not present.

February 17 corrections: Candice Hooper noted that Dave Westrick is not signified as an Executive Committee member under Members Not Present. With that correction, motion to approve was made by Candice Hooper, seconded by Darren Thompson, and all were in favor.

March 6, 2017 corrections: Candice Hooper stated Jerry Muenzer is not listed as Member Not Present. Dave Westrick made a motion to approve as amended, seconded by Candee Hooper and all were in favor.

5. Budget Update:

Two budget proposals were distributed. Chief Baraan began with the agreement for the CCP to allocate \$250,000 of our funding annually for the next 20 years to fund the new jail construction project.

Proposal #1: Propose to cut a number of items to get to the \$250,000 out of our anticipated annual allocation with cuts to various sections of departments.

Proposal #2: The 2017-18 fiscal year would remain status quo and use what we have in reserve to fund that first year, then take twelve months to look at our funding and start carving out that way.

Steve Reid requested additional funds in the amount of \$36,000 due to the increase in the amounts needed for the SLE. He met with Anna Foglia of Sun Street and there is no room for adjusting that amount. He stated without the increased funds, it will require them to decrease beds they are purchasing from the men and if we go with Option #1 it will decrease all of the women's services. They are now pulling funds from the residential fund to have a fee for service bed for women probationers.

Candice Hooper is asking for funding for half of a DDA position, in the amount of \$42,000. If given that funding, they would be back to the attorney staff she had at the time of the recession. They need one full-time position or two half-time positions.

After some discussion, Chief Baraan suggested we use Proposal #1 and take \$78,000 from the reserve to fund the half-time DA position and \$36,000 for the SLE for one year. We can then look at what we will be getting next year and see what adjustments we need to make,

Jason Scimeca pointed out that there may be \$20,000 not accounted for. He stated after adding up the money reducing from Proposal #1, he came up with \$231,000. After adding \$29,000, the amount equals \$270,000 not \$250,000, which is a balance of \$20,000. Per Chief Baraan, the anticipated deficit is \$29,000 out of the \$78,000 so we request to fund the remaining two requests out of the reserve.

A motion to approve Proposal #1 as adjusted was made by Candice Hooper, seconded by Dave Westrick and all were in favor.

Secondary related to the budget, Chief Baraan stated there is a request from the Board to have an MOU from the CCP to the county allocating \$250,000 annually for twenty years. Krystal Lomanto asked what would happen if there is no money at some point during the 20 years. Chief Baraan responded the \$250,000 would be the priority if the budget were lowered. He indicated AB109 is intended as a realignment of criminal justice service from the state to the locals and designed for supervision and custody. He acknowledged that we don't have programing space at the jail, and believes it is a necessary thing.

Sheriff Thomson stated construction bids are due back mid-June and then will be looking to the Board to make a final commitment in late June. He indicated the Board will want to see if the CCP is committed to this money for the foreseeable future. Chief Baraan commented that we have already voted to memorialization and MOU for 20 years.

Diane Ortiz asked that we look at general fund budget dollars in San Benito County. The majority is going to law enforcement and very little for behavioral health or youth services prevention and education. She requests that the county prioritize aggressively and seek out additional revenue to support youth prevention and other behavioral health services. Jerry Muenzer stated he does not see the Board carving out any more from the general fund to sustain programs. He stated we are hiring a lobbyist in Sacramento for programs that would benefit San Benito County. Diane indicated she is referring to additional state and federal dollars and that as a county we have been noticed to be in the lowest end within the state. Darren Thomson agrees that we can do better county-wide to dig up outside funding sources.

Chief Baraan stated he has proposed language from County Counsel regarding the MOU and will send it to the Executive Committee for review and bring it to this body at the next meeting.

Jerry Muenzer asked what he should report to the Board if asked and, per Chief Baraan, the consensus is in agreement with the MOU; we understand the need and agree with the concept.

6. Round Table:

Krystal Lomanto: Thanked all who were able to attend Footsteps to Brilliance, which went very well. Will have Literacy collaborative coming up on June 21<sup>st</sup> and then the San Benito County Office of Education received prop 47 grant for half-million dollars in consortium with San Benito High School and Aromas San Juan. Looking forward to moving forward with that.

Steven Reid: Expressed his appreciation for the continued help with the SLE.

Candice Hooper: Thanked the committee for the funding. They are in the midst of interviews for the vacant position and will have a list for the new Deputy District Attorney position, if the Board agrees.

Dave Westrick: Echoed Krystal's comments on Footsteps to Brilliance, stating it was very impressive. He thanked the community leaders that came to the meeting at Spring Grove and believes this contributes to the reduction of crime. They received the traffic grant this year, up to \$70,000, but will not be doing the cops grant. He stated City Council is giving them two or three cops this year. They are continuing Board meeting for budgets on Tuesday, which looks promising. They will continue at the schools with three SRO's and continue strengthening that program. They are sending another officer to GREAT this year.

Diane Ortiz: Thanked the group for the funding. The parent project had a great session at San Benito High School in Spanish that was very well attended. Jeanette is still continuing to work with members on an ongoing basis referred from Probation and SARB. She's starting another class on June 26 in the evenings for ten weeks. They also cross-trained their staff in restorative justice practices. The Community Action Board just established a youth advisory committee if anyone is interested in that.

Richard Gallardo: Stated he learned a lot from the meeting and appreciated being there.

Wendy Solorio: Regarding child support, she just returned from their annual director's conference, which was in Orange County. The majority of the workshops were on AB109 and how counties are struggling to figure it all out. She stated she visits the jail twice monthly providing child support services to the inmates and agrees the money needs to be focused there. She is supportive of SLE's and appreciates this committee.

Jason Scimeca: Reiterated the fact that jail expansion creates training space as well as more beds. As the county grows, we will need these beds. He stated probation is implementing the new evidence-based offender assessment tool and making progress.

Randy Brown: Doing summer school, which starts on June 19<sup>th</sup>. They are bringing in a new instructor who has great experience with corrections program in New York City and is an English teacher. Also, after two years, they have found an academic counselor with a background in corrections and mental health. They are offering a lot more vocational programs, such as advanced manufacturing, HVAC and welding, as well as a water program and aviation.

Jerry Muenzer: Stated the county is going into budgets this month and believes there are no major cuts coming. There will possibly be more for employees and either maintain or increase staff.

Alan Yamamoto: Just finished their triennial review for state department healthcare services (done once every 3 years). It is a huge review and stated it was one of the best audit results of his career. They are going forward with MHSA plan with two major program elements; adding LGBTQ element at Esperanza and continuing to shift allowable funds to building funding for behavioral health building. They submitted grant application for No Place Like Home.

Ted Baraan: Recently had the high school graduation at Juvenile Hall. For Juvenile Hall specifically, the county is moving forward with a deferred maintenance project to keep everything running more efficiently. Stated the department is utilizing new risk needs assessment tool and it is interesting comparing the old to new.

7. Schedule Upcoming CCP Meeting:

The next CCP meeting was tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 17, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at a location to be determined. *Revised: Meeting rescheduled for Monday, August 14, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at the Community Transition Center, 1111 San Felipe Road, Ste. 101, Hollister, Ca*

8. Meeting Adjourned:

At approximately 10:50 a.m., a motion was made by Darren Thomson to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dave Westrick, and approved by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Meg Bagley  
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