

KINGS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

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MINUTES August 17, 2020

<u>COMMITTEE MEMBERS</u>		<u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</u>	
Kelly Zuniga	Kings County Chief Probation Officer	<u>Chairman:</u>	
Dave Robinson	Kings County Sheriff	Kelly Zuniga	Kings County Chief Probation Officer
Rusty Stivers	City of Avenal Chief of Police	<u>Members:</u>	
Keith Fagundes	Kings County District Attorney	Dave Robinson	Kings County Sheriff
Marianne Gilbert	Contract Administrator/Attorney for Indigent Defense (as Public Defenders)	Rusty Stivers	City of Avenal Chief of Police
Michelle Martinez	Executive Officer, Kings County Superior Court	Keith Fagundes	Kings County District Attorney
Lisa Lewis	Behavioral Health Director	Marianne Gilbert	Contract Administrator / Attorney for Indigent Defense (as Public Defenders)
Todd Barlow	Kings County Superintendent of Schools	Michelle Martinez	Executive Officer, Kings County Superior Court
Parker Sever	City of Hanford Chief of Police	Lisa Lewis	Behavioral Health Director
Lance Lippincott	Director, Kings County Job Training Office		
Sanja Bugay	Director, Kings County Human Services Agency		
Doug Verboon	Board of Supervisors		
Rebecca Campbell	Kings County Administrative Officer		
Jeff Garner	Kings County Community Action Organization		
Julia Patino	Kings County Victim Witness Coordinator		

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Present: **Kelly Zuniga**, Kings County Chief Probation Officer
 Dave Putnam, (rep) Kings County Sheriff
 Rusty Stivers, City of Avenal Chief of Police
 Keith Fagundes, Kings County District Attorney
 Michelle Martinez, Executive Officer, Kings County Superior Court
 Todd Barlow, Kings County Superintendent of Schools
 Parker Sever, City of Hanford Chief of Police
 Lance Lippincott, Director of Kings County Job Training Office
 Rebecca Campbell, Kings County Administrative Officer
 Julia Patino, Kings County Victim Witness Coordinator
 Domingo Cruz, Kings County Administrative Analyst
 Carrie Woolley, County Counsel

Not Present: **Dave Robinson**, Kings County Sheriff
Marianne Gilbert, Contract Administrator/Attorney for Indigent Defense (as Public Defender)
Lisa Lewis, Director of Behavioral Health
Doug Verboon, Board of Supervisors
Jeff Garner, Kings County Community Action Organization

II. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

Any person may directly address the Committee at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other items of interest to the public, that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee. Five (5) minutes are allowed for each item.

NONE

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the consent calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. For any discussion of an item on the consent calendar, it will be removed at the request of any Committee member and made a part of the regular agenda.

NONE

IV. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes: June 2, 2020

Motion to approve: Michelle Martinez

2nd: Dave Putnam

Minutes Approved

B. Kelly Zuniga – Probation

Budget

Chief Zuniga stated this meeting was set specifically to discuss the budget. There were some concerns at the last meeting regarding moving forward and the reduction in funds. A lot has happened since June with the PRCS population in the County, as well as various budget items throughout the State. She asked Rebecca or Dom to provide the presentation on the spreadsheet she sent to the executive committee members just prior to the meeting. Both went over the spreadsheet. Rebecca stated what the committee needs to decide is leave the recommendation where it's at or should some changes be made. If everything is spent, you will have a balance of about \$1.1 million dollars rolling forward, which would leave you short, right now the almost \$4 million dollar balance is being used. Dave Putnam added that the total is way too low for their department to function without cutting positions and the Sheriff is not in a position to go with the recommendation. Chief Zuniga stated that Probation finds themselves in a similar position, and understanding that Probation has assumed about 100 additional PRCS inmates in the past several months due to COVID releases. With this budget the way it is Probation can not function and staff would need to be cut, which means she would be forced to stop the field supervision and move them to supervise the PRCS population. She added she does not want to move forward with a fund balance of only \$603,000, that is not smart considering the fact that the funds have been significantly reduced and will likely continue to decrease. There is some additional money that could come in based on some changes at the State but at this point those funds have not been realized. She also has concerns with the contracts with municipalities. Other than the JTO Program, they have been unable to actually show any data that has made any significant impacts in the population that they wanted to. Some tough calls need to be made today with this budget, and her recommendation would be that

they hold the municipality contracts for this fiscal year, since we are still in the midst of a pandemic and unable to get out in the field as intended with these programs, and reconsider them next fiscal year, but feels there may be other adjustments that need to be made. Discussion followed.

Keith Fagundes requested another meeting to give him time to review the actual numbers given to him just prior to the meeting and come back once they had time to review the numbers.

Chief Zuniga stated she had no objection to taking a week to digest this information and everybody look very harsh at their own budgets and see what can be done.

Motion: Keith Fagundes motioned to adjourn and continue the meeting next week to give the members ample opportunity to digest this budget and to look for potential changes.

2nd: Dave Putnam

Motion unanimously passed.

V. STUDY SESSIONS

NONE

VI. CLOSED SESSION

NONE

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be Monday, August 24, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.