



PROBATION DEPARTMENT



Kalisa Rochester
Chief Probation Officer

Committee of the Local Community Corrections Partnership (CCP)

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

2222 M Street, Merced 95340

Basement Conference Center Merced Room

CCP Executive Board Members or Representatives Present

Kalisa Rochester, Chief Probation Officer- Chair	Probation
Amanda Toste, Court Executive Officer	Merced Superior Court
Kimiko Vang, Director	Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
Nicole Silveira, District Attorney	District Attorney
Jeff Coburn, Captain	Merced County Sheriff
Justin Melden, Commander	Los Banos Police Dept.
Vincent Andrade, Public Defender	Public Defender

Absent

Yvonnia Brown, Director	Human Service Agency
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Additional Attendees

Joel Daffron, Deputy Chief Probation Officer	Probation
Sarah Marsh, Director of Administrative Services	Probation
Sharlee Fragulia, Staff Services Analyst II	Probation
Beatriz Ramirez, Program Coordinator	Probation
Corey Gibson, Undersheriff	Merced County Sheriff
Greg Sullivan, Captain	Merced County Sheriff
Julianne Sims, Assistant Director	Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
Amber Phillips, Management Analyst	Merced CEO's Office

Call to Order

Chief Rochester called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm and invited everyone to introduce themselves.

Approve January 2022 Meeting Minutes

Chief Rochester noted that Court Executive Officer Amanda Toste should be listed as a board member instead of as an additional attendee. She then asked for a motion to approve. District Attorney Nicole Silveira motioned, and Captain Sullivan seconded. There were no abstentions. There being no opposition, the minutes were approved with the noted correction.

Quarter Three Data

Sharlee reported on the following data:

- Ace Overcomers
- Day Reporting Center
- Inkoff.me
- Leadership for Life
- Lifeline Community Development Corporation
- Phoenix Project

She invited guest speaker Michael Badillo to share his story with the committee. He spoke about the Phoenix Project, Symple Soul Food Truck, Merced Rescue Mission Village of Hope, and how Probation helped him recover and get back on the right track. The timing of the programs was absolutely vital to him. He's in school to be a drug and alcohol counselor.

Chief Rochester asked if he felt anything was lacking or where they could improve any of the programs. Michael said if probationers were dedicated and sincere in making changes in their life and dedicated to putting in the work, they can benefit from the programs. Nicole asked if he felt he would have taken advantage of the same opportunities if he was given a misdemeanor instead of a felony. Michael didn't think so. One of the big incentives was the DA and Judge providing positive feedback. The offer to expunge his record was also a huge incentive.

Sharlee continued presenting Quarter three data:

- Symple Equazion/Symple Soul. The disaster service work they did was highlighted.
- Transitional Housing - waitlist numbers were discussed.
- K9 Sage
- Bail reviews
- Incentives and Sanctions
- AB109 Drug Tests & Statement of Admission
- AB109 Assessments
- AB109 Home Visits & Office Visits
- AB109 Post-Release Community Supervision
- 1170(H)(5)(B) Mandatory Supervision
- MCSO Jail Reentry Program
- Alternatives to Incarceration
- ASAM Assessments at the Jail
- Budget 22/23 Operational Expenditure Tracking. Expenditures were status quo this quarter. The body scanner fixed asset received by the jail was realized this quarter. The Wellpath contract funds will be reflected in the fourth quarter data report. The District Attorney and Public Defender totals are consistent with previous quarters. The WEX Coordinator started in January but has not been billed but they should realize some expenditures in the account soon. The Sheriff's JBCT Project and Modular, a \$6M project is going to the State Public Works Board on 5/19, then it will go to construction. The \$1.3M

project for the joint Probation and Sheriff modular building will go before the board soon. Phase 1 of the jail's \$71M remodel/rebuild project started last week. Captain Sullivan predicts in 2 months they should have the permit for the 256-bed project. They should kick off and complete it in 2 years.

Open Discussion

Probation and the Sheriffs briefly discussed meeting again offline to discuss Re-Entry and the Day Reporting Center (DRC) as a follow-up to a previous meeting related to the same thing.

The contract company on-site at the pre-trial building is still doing the asbestos abatement. They keep finding more as they're treating the building. Considering the delays, does the county have a plan to pay for funds if pre-trial money expires and is reverted at the end of the year? There hasn't been any discussion about general fund support yet. Sullivan suggested using those funds first. They haven't been billed for the abatement yet either. Probation's understanding is that once the abatement is finished, they'll be billed. The court has \$500k remaining from fiscal years 21/22 and 22/23 which needs to be spent before June before the court reverts it back to the state. This money is sitting in the court's books, which DPW doesn't see in the budget. Probation has a building project meeting on Wednesday where they'll ask to be invoiced.

Coburn announced they got some synthetic training fentanyl available that Sage can utilize.

Sharlee will work on the draft strategies for the group to review. The plan is to keep things status quo. They saw a huge reduction in growth this year, but the allocation went up by \$200k.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Minutes by Priscilla Martin, Secretary III