

**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY  
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 25, 2019**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chief Probation Officer Fernando Giraldo called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

A quorum was established, with 6 of 7 Executive Committee Members present [Giraldo, Biggam, Calvo, Hart, Rosell and Hall].

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

*Fernando Giraldo	*Larry Biggam	*Alex Calvo (on behalf of Superior Court)
*Jim Hart	*Mimi Hall	*Jeff Rosell
Karen Delaney	Andrew Stone	

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

*Chief David Honda	Ellen Timberlake	John Leopold
Faris Sabbah	Sylvia Nieto	Shaina Zura

\* Notes Executive Committee Member

**II. REVIEW OF AGENDA**

Chief Giraldo provided an overview of the agenda.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mimi Hall made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on November 7, 2018. The motion was seconded by Jim Hart. There was no discussion.

**MOTION: (M) Hall (S) Hart All in favor Motion carried unanimously**

**IV. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**V. REPORT AND ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Report from the Chair on AB109 Implementation**

Chief Giraldo gave an update and discussed the Grant Proposals that were and will be submitted, Aptos Service Center and the Probation Service Center.

- Chief Giraldo mentioned several grants that already been submitted and one that will be submitted soon. A Prop 47 grant, in collaboration with the courts, was submitted last month and the department should know the outcome of the application by June or July. The second grant was submitted in partnership with Watsonville Police Department and the third submitted grant was in partnership with the Sheriff's Office being the lead agency. The fourth grant proposal is a Title II grant and will be submitted soon. In addition, the County Workforce Investment Board is receiving funding from the State for the Prison to Employment initiative.
- In a brief update, Chief Giraldo discussed that the Aptos Service Center will open soon. The new office space will be shared by the Sheriff's office, District Attorney's office, Probation and Supervisor Zack Friend. Keys will be handed over on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019, a Grand Opening will be scheduled a week or two later.
- Chief Giraldo update on the status of the Probation Service Center. Furniture has been delivered and a Grand Opening is scheduled on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

**B. Report from the Sheriff’s Division of Re-entry (DOR)**

Jeremy Verinsky, Deputy Chief, gave a brief report on the Sheriff’s Division of Re-entry program. The three full-time case managers have been able to provide navigation services to 421 unduplicated individuals, assessed 308 in custody and 150 were released to appropriate treatment. The Sheriff’s Office requesting approval for continued AB109 treatment funding to staff the program. Larry Biggam made a motion to approve continued funding in the amount of \$162,000 from the 2019-2020 fiscal year. In discussion it was clarified that the program would continue to track individual dosage and outcomes, and would provide an annual report to the CCP.

**MOTION: (M) Biggam (S) Rosell All in favor Motion carried unanimously**

**C. Funding Recommendations from the AB109 2019 RFP Review Panel**

Chief Giraldo provided an overview of the funding process, including the justice system and community representation on the proposal review panel, the funding amounts by service type (projected, requested, and recommended), and the list of agencies and services recommended for funding. Alex Calvo made a motion to approve the funding recommendations of the AB109 2019 RFP Review Panel. In discussion it was clarified that the review panel had recommended any additional non-allocated funds be used for a combination of batterers intervention services, a pilot program with Families in Transition, training and fidelity technical assistance to service providers, and additional unforeseen needs and opportunities during start-up of the Probation Service Center.

**MOTION: (M) Calvo (S) Hart All in favor Motion carried unanimously**

**D. Report from the Court Community Service Program Pilot**

Karen Delaney, with the Volunteer Center, gave a report on the Court Community Service Program Pilot. She discussed program’s four strategies of increasing access to services, removing financial barriers, using technology to drive efficiency, and increasing client engagement. During the initial six months the program has seen a 55% increase in new enrollments, case closures are up by 14% and successful closures at 63% a 20% increase from last year. Although the percentage of unsuccessful closures remain the same, they have already met their three-year goal of a 50% increase in workload. Next year, the program plans to allocate some resources on increasing outreach on reducing fees through community service.

**E. Santa Cruz County Operational Plan Progress Update**

Chief Giraldo gave an update on the next steps on operationalizing the County’s Strategic Plan. He explained that over the last year County Department heads have been asked to identify key objectives for their departments that support the strategies in the County’s 6 goal areas resulting in a total of 180 departmental objectives. Also, one of the County’s focus areas, Operational Excellence, has led the County for the first time to sponsor the LEAP Program (Learn, Educate, Apply and Practice) provided by CSAC. The next steps will be to look at the strategies and evaluate what are the gaps, continued on-going community engagement and the plan will go back to the Board in May for their approval.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.  
Next CCP Meeting: TBD, location TBD