

BY DISTRICT CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
JUVENILE PROBATION COMMISSION



PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, Monday, June 16, 2025, 5:30 pm-7:00 pm

Meeting held in-person with public comment at:

City Hall, #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 421

San Francisco, CA 94102

Webex webinar recording: Program

Committee:

<https://sfpublic.webex.com/sfpublic/ldr.php?RCID=2908abedc2ec9156a9d3ec806a8b0bc5>

Commissioners:

Johanna Lacoe, Chair

Manuel Rodriguez

Meeting Minutes

Hybrid meeting. Comments must be from the public sitting in the audience or using the meeting link listed above.

1. Roll Call:

- A. Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm.
- B. All commissioners were present.

2. Public Comment on items not on the agenda:

- A. No public comment.

3. Follow up on Intensive Services Foster Care Presentation from May Commission Meeting:

- A. Discussion:
 - Commissioners revisited the May presentation to evaluate what progress had been made and what next steps were needed to strengthen Intensive Services Foster Care (ISFC).

- Emphasized the importance of building continuity of support for youth in foster placements. She highlighted that youth often rely on caseworkers and program staff who maintain relationships with them over time, even when youth run away or transition out of placement. Maintaining those trusted connections is key to stability.
- Commissioner Rodriguez asked about funding implications, specifically whether changes to service models would affect the allocation of dollars to ISFC placements. He noted that providers are already under financial stress and that budget clarity is essential for program sustainability.
- Commissioners discussed how ISFC should be integrated into the larger departmental strategy to reduce youth system involvement. They linked ISFC to broader Commission goals set at prior retreats, including reducing the number of youth in out-of-home placements.
- Both commissioners agreed that transparency in data reporting is critical, particularly in tracking outcomes for youth in ISFC and measuring whether these services are achieving the intended goals.
- No formal motion was adopted, but staff were directed to return at a future meeting with updated ISFC data, including budget implications and performance metrics.

B. Public Comment.:

- i. No public comment.

4. Discussion on Next Steps or Actions to Take Following the Resolution Passed on June 11, 2025:

A. Discussion:

- Commissioner Lcoe opened the item by emphasizing that the resolution adopted at the June 11 full Commission meeting must be translated into concrete, measurable steps. She stressed that resolutions are only as strong as their implementation and urged that benchmarks and timelines be developed.
- Commissioner Rodriguez highlighted the importance of building strong partnerships with community-based organizations to ensure the resolution's commitments are carried out effectively. He noted that these organizations are often the most trusted points of contact for youth and families, and their collaboration is critical to long-term success.

B. Public Comments:

- i. **Margaret Brodtkin:** Expressed the importance of ensuring that the recently passed resolution is not only adopted but also widely communicated. She recommended that the resolution be shared through the Commission's mailing list, the media, and key stakeholders such as judges, the Public Defender, the District Attorney, and the Juvenile Justice Providers Association. She also raised the question of whether a cover letter should accompany the resolution to provide context, noting that it might be appropriate to reference the increase in youth affected by this issue and the compelling testimony that informed the Commission's decision. She emphasized the need to frame the resolution in a way that clearly conveys the Commission's position without it being seen as a direct confrontation with the District Attorney.

5. Review and Approval of the Program Committee Meeting Minutes for April 21, 2025

- i. Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve the minutes.
- ii. Commissioner Lacoé seconds the motion.
- iii. Votes: Yes – Lacoé and Rodriguez
- iv. Minutes are approved.
- v. Public Comment: No public comment

6. Adjournment:

- A. Meeting adjourned at 6:17 pm.

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