

MINUTES
BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS MEETING
THURSDAY OCTOBER 3, 2024
10:00 A.M.
BOARD MEETING

Meeting Held In-Person, Zoom & Teleconference

2590 Venture Oaks Way
BSCC Board Meeting Room
Sacramento, California 95833

The full recording of the meeting can be viewed here:

<https://youtu.be/1kl1eEKdJPA>

I. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Linda Penner called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed the Board members and the public to the meeting. Penner announced that Governor Newsom has appointed four new members to the Board.

- Chief Jennifer Branning of Lassen County Probation
- Sheriff Christina Corpus of San Mateo County
- Dr. Karen Lai of Berkeley
- Chief William Scott of the City of San Francisco

In addition, Penner said the Governor reappointed Chief Kirk Haynes of Fresno County Probation to the Board.

Chair Penner also said that Governor Newsom appointed Allison Ganter as the new Director of In-Custody Death Review.

Penner administered the Oath to all five members.

Board Secretary Adam Lwin called roll and announced that there was a quorum.

The following members were in attendance:

Chair Penner	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Haynes	Mr. Taylor	Ms. Corpus
Ms. Branning	Ms. Gaard	Mr. Scott	Mr. Budnick	Ms. Zaragoza *
Ms. Cumpian	Dr.. Lai*			

Absent Board Members: Mr. Macomber

* Board members attended remotely through Zoom

Chair Penner asked Allison Ganter to provide information on the new ICDR Division and her plans in the new role.

Director Ganter reported on the following:

- Engagement will be key and will include the Board, detention facility administrators, family members and the community to inform policy, procedures, best practices, regulations, and information sharing for system change.
- First actions will be to staff the division, analyze the data received so far, meet and listen to families and community members, meet with sheriff offices and probation offices and consult with subject matter experts.
- Division will ultimately develop policy and procedures based on information and share the reports publicly and develop specific and statewide recommendations.
- Division will create policies and procedures informed by available data.
- Reports will be developed for both specific detention facilities and broader statewide policy recommendations.
- Regulatory revisions will be made where necessary.
- Division will act as a resource for both families and detention facilities.
- Acknowledgment of the emotional and complex nature of the work, with a focus on accuracy and thoroughness.

Chair Penner and the rest of the Board members offered congratulations in Ms. Ganter's new role.

II. Information Items

1. Chair's Report

None to report.

2. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Kathleen Howard reported on the following:

Congratulated the newly appointed Board members and Allison Ganter as the Director of in-custody death review division.

Introduced Jana Sanford-Miller as the appointed Director of Communications and External Affairs.

Said that the BSCC has completed the Community Corrections Partnership Plan and published with Governor and Legislature. Howard also said that the BSCC completed the

Senate Bill 823 one-time report on the Youth Programs and Facilities Grant Program and published it to both Senate and Assembly Budget and Public Safety Committees.

Howard said there was a recent article in Cal Matters on Proposition 47 programs and how the BSCC did not include three-year recidivism data. Howard said the purpose of the report was to summarize what occurred during the August 15, 2019, to May 15, 2023 grant period. Howard said the BSCC is currently calculating three-year recidivism data through 2026. Howard provided additional clarification and said that the BSCC strives to obtain recidivism data for all participants.

Howard said that she will retire from public service and Aaron Maguire will remain in an acting role as Executive Director of the BSCC.

Various board members offered appreciation for Director Howard's accomplishments at the BSCC.

3. Legal Update

Referenced a legal update sent by email to the Board and advised board members to anticipate a closed session at the November 21st meeting.

Chief Deputy Director & General Counsel Aaron Maguire reminded Board members to review the Agenda Items and recuse themselves from items that may have potential conflicts of interest pursuant to Government Code section 1091.

4. Legislative Update

Chair Penner referred the Board to their reading materials.

III. Action: Consent Items

- A. Minutes from the July 11, 2024, Board Meeting: **Requesting Approval**
- B. Proposed 2025 Board of State and Community Corrections Meeting Schedule: **Requesting Approval**

Staff requested adoption of the 2025 Board of State and Community Corrections meeting schedule as follows:

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
BSCC BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025	SACRAMENTO	10:00 AM
BSCC BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025	SACRAMENTO	10:00 AM
BSCC BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025	SACRAMENTO	10:00 AM
BSCC BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2025	SACRAMENTO - TENTATIVE	10:00 AM
BSCC BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025	SACRAMENTO	10:00 AM
BSCC BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2025	SACRAMENTO	10:00 AM

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- C. Public Defender Pilot Program Grant – 22-Month, No-Cost Extension: **Requesting Approval**

Staff recommended the Board approve a one-time, no-cost, 22-month extension to the Public Defense Pilot Program grants, extending the end date from March 1, 2025, to December 31, 2026, as authorized by the State Budget Act of 2023.

D. Proud Parenting Grant – Six-Month, No-Cost Extension: Requesting Approval

Staff recommended the Board approve a six-month extension period for the Proud Parenting grants. This additional period will allow projects to spend down any remaining funds as this program is no longer being funded, effective Fiscal Year 2024-25.

Mr. Budnick moved approval. Mr. Haynes seconded. The motion was approved by all other Board members for Agenda item A through D.

IV. Action: Discussion Items

E. Launch of the Board of State and Community Corrections Strategic Plan 2025-2030: Requesting Approval

- Power Point Presentation

Communications Director Jana Sanford-Miller presented this agenda item which requested Board approval to initiate the strategic planning process to develop a new strategic plan 2025-2030. Sanford-Miller said that the strategic plan process is anticipated to take approximately 10 months to complete and will include seeking input, developing goals, objectives, strategies, and success measures. The planning process will include participation from Board members, staff, stakeholders, and the public.

Chair Penner called for public comment. Public comment was heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed by turning closed captions on here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1kl1eEKdJPA>. Public comment for Agenda E Start: 1:11:20; End: 1:12:26.

Mr. Scott moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion was approved by all other Board members for Agenda item E.

F. Opioids in Local Detention Facilities – Survey Results and Next Steps: Requesting approval

- Opioids in Local Detention Facilities – Survey Results Power Point Presentation

Deputy Director Kasey Warmuth presented this agenda item which provided a summary of the information gathered through the Opioids in Local Detention Facilities Survey. Highlights the results for both the adult and juvenile local detention facilities can be found here: <https://www.bscc.ca.gov/opioid-survey/>.

Staff recommended the Board defer further action until the In-Custody Death Review Division is established and can review the results for possible regulation recommendations or whether further information from local detention facilities is needed as well as end this data collection effort.

Chair Penner called for public comment. Public comment was heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed by turning closed captions on here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1kl1eEKdJPA>. Public comment for Agenda F Start: 1:23:50; End: 1:30:35.

Board Members discussed the next steps for the establishment of the ICDR Division and process to review any future survey and/or recommendations to local facilities and the authority of the Board to detect opioids in local facilities and deaths. Ganter said she will update the Board at future meetings.

Mr. Taylor moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. The motion was approved by all other Board members for Agenda item F.

G. Proposition 47 Grant Program: Cohort 4, Funding Recommendations: Requesting Approval

Field Representative Dameion Renault presented this agenda item which requested Board approval of the Cohort 4 Proposition 47 grant awards as recommended by the Proposition 47 Scoring Panel. The list of proposals recommended and their project summaries may be found below:

- [List of Proposals Recommended for Funding](#)
- [Proposal Summaries](#)

Mr. Taylor moved approval. Mr. Johnson seconded. Mr. Scott, Ms. Gaard, Mr. Budnick, Ms. Zaragoza, and Ms. Cumpian recused pursuant to Section 1091. The motion was approved by all other Board members for Agenda item G.

H. Local Detention Facilities Inspection Update: Requesting Approval

Chief Deputy Director and General Counsel Aaron Maguire provided an update on inspections in adult and juvenile detention facilities. Staff did not recommend a formal

action at this time. Items of noncompliance may be found here: [Outstanding Items of Noncompliance Juvenile & Adult Detention Facilities](#).

Maguire gave an overview of Corrective Action Plans (CAP) and noncompliance updates:

- Kern County and Los Angeles County: Awaiting corrective action plans.
- Mendocino, Kings, and Alameda Counties: In the CAP phase with time remaining to resolve noncompliance issues.

Maguire said Field Representative Lisa Southwell has been conducting monthly announced and unannounced inspections since April 2024 of Los Angeles juvenile halls.

On June 27, 2024, Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall was found noncompliant with Section 1371 (Programs, Recreation, and Exercise). Maguire said:

- Although documentation suggested compliance, video review confirmed that certain programs did not take place.
- June 28, 2024: Notification of noncompliance issued.
- August 8, 2024: CAP approved, with issues to be resolved by October 15, 2024.
- August 12, 2024: Notified the county of noncompliance with Section 1321 (Staffing).
- Insufficient staffing impacted education, recreation, and medical appointments.
- CAP approval deadline set for October 11, 2024.
- October 14, 2024: Scheduled a comprehensive inspection of Los Padrinos.
- If the staffing CAP is not submitted or approved by October 11, 2024, the facility will be deemed unsuitable for operation.

Maguire said inspections were conducted September 22–27, 2024. Barry J. Nidorf Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF)

- Noncompliance Findings: Room confinement, grievances, and clothing exchange issues.
- CAP Submission Deadline: November 26, 2024.

Maguire said If Los Padrinos does not meet compliance deadlines, a suitability determination will be made at the November Board Meeting.

Board members asked about CAP deadlines and how deadlines are managed when counties forecast an earlier resolution date but need the full 90 days to comply.

Maguire responded that Counties have 60 days to submit an approved CAP, followed by a 90-day period for full compliance. Maguire said the BSCC will honor a county's forecasted compliance date if it falls before the 90-day limit. If unforeseen circumstances

arise, the county may request additional time by working with their Field Representative and the Acting Deputy Director.

Board members echoed the ripple effect of inadequate staffing is impacting daily operations, including programming, education, and healthcare access for youth. Board members expressed frustration with Los Angeles County's ongoing "Band-aid" solutions and the lack of sustainable progress. The board acknowledged dissatisfaction with the slow pace but stressed that timelines and statutory procedures must be followed.

Chair Penner called for public comment. Public comment was heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed by turning closed captions on here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1kl1eEKdJPA>. Public comment for Agenda G Start: 2:16:01; End: 2:29:23.

This item did not require a vote.

V. Public Comments

Chair Penner called for general public comment. Public comment was heard; the full recording of the public comment and its transcription may be viewed here by turning closed captions on here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1kl1eEKdJPA>. Start: 2:30:00; End: 1:23:10.

The following written comments were received and shared with the Board:

- [Written Public Comment from the Children's Defense Fund](#)
- [Written Public Comment: T. Lovett](#)
- [Written Public Comment 10-3-2024](#)
- [Written Public Comment 10-3-2024](#)

VI. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at: 12:41 p.m.

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

BSCC BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Chair Penner, Chair, Board of State and Community Corrections
2. Mr. Johnson, Director, California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitations - Division of Adult Parole
3. Mr. Haynes, Chief Probation Officer, Fresno County
4. Ms. Corpus, Sheriff, Alameda County
5. Mr. Taylor, Sheriff, San Benito County
6. Ms. Branning, Chief Probation Officer, Lassen County
7. Ms. Gaard, Retired Judge, Yolo County
8. Mr. Scott, Chief of Police, City of San Francisco
9. Mr. Budnick, Founder, Anti-Recidivism Coalition
10. Ms. Cumpian, Associate Director, Anti-Recidivism Coalition

Participated Remotely:

11. Ms. Lai, M.D. Berkeley, Alameda County
12. Ms. Zaragoza, Deputy Executive Director of Youth Justice Programs LA Room & Board

BSCC STAFF:

Kathleen T. Howard, Executive Director
Aaron Maguire, Chief Deputy Director & General Counsel
Jana Sanford-Miller, Director of Communications and External Outreach
Adam Lwin, Board Secretary
Helene Zentner, Field Representative, Corrections Planning and Grant Programs
Damieon Renault, Field Representative, Corrections Planning and Grant Programs
Collen Curtin, Deputy Director, Corrections Planning and Grant Programs
Allison Ganter, Deputy Director, Facility Standards and Operations
Kasey Warmuth, Deputy Director, Research and Standards & Training for Corrections