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JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION

GENERAL MEETING SUMMARY

March 18, 2014

Eleven Commissioners attended the March 18, 2014, general meeting of the San Francisco Juvenile Justice Commission ("JJC").

- As of the date of the JJC meeting, the youth population at the Youth Guidance Center ("YGC") was in the low 70's. The YGC recently opened Unit 5.
- Commissioners were individually assigned to teams to conduct upcoming inspections of youth Group Homes throughout the Bay Area prior to the JJC's April General Meeting.
- In an effort to assist youth with reentry following their release from the YGC, school administrators are individually accompanying some youth back to their home high schools to help with the transition out of the YGC's academic environment.
- The Juvenile Probation Department continues to work with the Earl Warren Institute of the University of California, Berkeley, in its review of policies and procedures presently used at the YGC.
- The JJC heard from parent and attorney representatives of youth presently detained at the YGC on issues concerning visitation access, treatment by department staff, frequency of behavioral health services, level of academic rigor, and access to the department's grievance process.