

# HUMBOLDT COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**Required Member Agencies (pursuant to Penal Code Section 1230.1(b): Chief Probation Officer – Chair, Chief of Police, Sheriff, District Attorney, Public Defender, presiding judge of the Superior Court (or designee), and one representative from Mental Health, AOD or Social Services (pursuant to PC1230(b)(2)(G), (H) or (J), as designated by the Board of Supervisors).**

**DATE: JANUARY 21, 2026**

**TIME: 12:15PM - 1:15PM**

**LOCATION: HUMBOLDT COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 825 5TH STREET, 1ST FLOOR, CONFERENCE ROOM  
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1/21/2026 - Minutes

### I. **Call To Order**

Chief Sanders called the meeting to order at 12:16pm.

### II. **Roll Call Of Voting Members**

Coral Sanders, Chief Probation Officer – present

Stacey Eads, District Attorney – present

William Honsal, Sheriff – present

Ron Sligh, Ferndale Chief of Police – present

Luke Brownfield, Public Defender – present

Connie Beck, Director of DHHS – present

Kelly Neel, Superior Court Judge – not present; Voting Proxy: Judge Timothy Canning – present

### III. **Adjustments To Agenda**

Captain Duane Christian requested an action item for supplemental funding to contract behavioral health services in the jail w/ Wellpath be added to the agenda. The adjustment was made, but because the action item was brought after the agenda was posted, it will be sent to council for review and may be revisited in February if necessary.

### IV. **Review And Approval Of Minutes - November 19, 2025**

District Attorney Eads motioned to approve the November meeting minutes.

Chief Sligh seconded the motion.

A vote was taken as follows:

Aye: Sanders, Beck, Brownfield, Sligh, Eads

Nay:

Abstain: Honsal, Canning

The motion was carried.

## V. **Review Of AB109 Trust Fund And Budget**

Elisha Hardison provided a report out on the status of the AB109 Trust:

- There is currently \$10.9 million in the trust.
- \$5.1 million is encumbered.
- \$5.8 million is available for use.
- Projected revenue is \$7.8 million; projected expenses are at \$7.4 million.
- Projected roll over for next Fiscal Year is \$11million.
- Currently there is just over \$500,000.00 in training funds. This funding will not be replenished once depleted.

## VI. **ACTION ITEM - FUNDING REQUEST: Courthouse Security**

Judge Canning was present as the voting proxy and available for questions on this action item.

Sheriff Honsal provided some historical context on courthouse security screening. HCSO and the Courts have been in negotiations on this topic since July 2025. Neither HCSO nor the Superior Court have received additional funding for courthouse security screening since the Trial Court funding ended. This funding request is for stop gap funding until a more permanent solution can be implemented into the budget. Recent developments show that Glenn County has appealed to the judicial council and state controller, resulting in additional funding for their courthouse security screening. HCSO and the Superior Court will also be appealing to seek this funding.

The CAO and HCSO are in support of this funding request.

Chief Sanders stated that if this cost were to be long-term it would cause the amount of expenditures to exceed revenue coming in.

Per Sheriff Honsal, if long term funding cannot be obtained, there may be an alternative solution of moving courthouse security screening to the second floor to only service those attending court.

HCSO will continue to pay their 17% contribution to courthouse security screening out of their budget. This funding request, brought forth by the Court is to make up their 83% of funding.

Chief Sligh stated that the current security provides watchful assistance to Sheriff Office staff in reporting incidents that occur at the Courthouse.

Public Defender Brownfield motioned to approve this funding request.

Chief Sligh seconded the motion.

A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

## VII. **ACTION ITEM - FUNDING REQUEST: Behavioral Health Services Through**

## **Wellpath**

Captain Duane Christian presented this action item. A breakdown was provided of current funding costs and sources.

A discussion took place regarding the role of remaining DHHS staff.

This funding request seeks to approve the amount of \$145,928.00 and adopt the current staffing structure in the proposed item with the exception of renaming the current .26 admin analyst to Senior Program Manager. DHHS staffing allocations previously approved but not included in this proposal would be deallocated.

Public Defender Brownfield motioned in support of this request.

Sheriff Honsal seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously and will be sent to County Council for review.

### **VIII. DISCUSSION ITEM: Wellpath Contract**

No current update provided.

### **IX. DISCUSSION: CalAIM**

Chief Sanders:

- Departments have been meeting once a month with consultants.
- Progress reports were provided to the state earlier this month.

### **X. Review Of Realignment Data**

Data was provided as an attachment to the agenda and can be found on the county's agenda center.

### **XI. Roundtable**

Chief Sanders – Probation: Introduced Jesika Bradley as the new Adult Probation Division Director.

Captain Christian – Jail: There has been an increase in recruitments with 12 Correctional Deputy vacancies. There are currently 25 applicants in backgrounds.

Sheriff Honsal -HCSO: Two future site visits are scheduled for a potential day reporting center location that may fit the needs for the agencies servicing the AB109 population.

Paul Bugnacki – DHHS: Currently promoting incentives for clinician positions to attract applicants. In process of hiring a Supervising Clinician. Reviewed RFP for diversion and community-based restoration. This will end the current diversion plan.

### **XII. Set Agenda For Next Meeting (February 18, 2026 )**

Chief Sanders will be out of town at a conference. Sheriff Honsal will be Chair for this meeting.

To add an item to a future agenda, please email Lauren Lund: [LLund@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:LLund@co.humboldt.ca.us)

### **XIII. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51pm.