

Sacramento County Human Services Coordinating Council

Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2015

Meeting Location

Dept. of Human Assistance
2700 Fulton Ave
Sacramento, CA. 95821
Conference Room 58

Facilitator: Addie Ellis – Chair

Staffed by: Jerri Thompson

Meeting Attendees:

- HSCC Members – Melinda Avey, Michael Ballance, Dev Berger, Ernie Brown, Addie Ellis, Paula Green, Randy Hicks, Leslie Julianel, Raymond Kemp, Len Marowitz, Robert Silva Jr., Paul Tanner
- Ex-officio Members and Liaisons – Mary Behnoud (DHA), Sherri Heller (DHHS)
- Guests – Julie Gallelo, Effie H. Ruggles

Absent Members:

- Tom Campbell, Paul Lake (Ex-Officio), Danette Rada, Angelina Woodberry

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Topic	Minutes
Call to Order/Introductions	Chair called the meeting to order and introductions were made.
Approval of October 08, 2015 Minutes	Approval of October 08, 2015 Minutes: Randy Hicks moved to approve, Michael Ballance Seconded, Addie Ellis abstained; Minutes Approved.
Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New member appointment – Leslie Julianel as an Adult and Aging Commission representative. • December meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Potluck meeting, group was encouraged to bring a dish to share. ○ Member Dev Berger has brought up the issue of the VA website not being user friendly, this topic will be discussed during the Goals agenda item next month so that the HSCC may provide input/suggestions. • Work Plan Retreat to be held in lieu of regularly scheduled January meeting. Specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Date: Thursday, January 14, 2016 ○ Time: 12:30-3:30pm ○ Sierra Health Foundation, Garden HWY ○ Catered Box Lunch available from Plates for \$11.75 per person ○ Supervisor Susan Peters will be the guest speaker
Special Presentation: Sacramento Metro Chamber	<p>Peter Tateishi, President and CEO of the Sacramento Metro Chamber presented to the group. He shared with the group that he, himself, served on several member advisory boards including the Children's Coalition, the Public Health Advisory Board, and the HSCC. The experience and knowledge he gained from being on the boards helps him still today in his present job.</p> <p>Peter talked in detailed about the following two issues that the Sacramento Metro Chamber is working on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Homeless issue/lack of housing available ○ Transit <p>Following the presentation Q & A and discussion ensued with the group.</p> <p>Chair Addie asked Peter what would he like to see from the HSCC he answered with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Engagement – Engage all of the organizations - Voices brought to the table ○ Look at the Metro a partner <p>Visit the Sacramento Metro Chamber website at the link below for more information: www.metrochamber.org</p>
Presentation of the 2016 Slate of Officers	<p>Chair Addie asked for a motion to be made to move the Slate of Officers agenda item to be heard before the Department and First 5 Commission Update, Melinda Avey made the motion, Dev Berger Seconded; Approved.</p> <p>HSCC Secretary, Michael Ballance, presented the following Slate of Officer for 2016:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair - Addie Ellis ○ Vice Chair – Robert Silva

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Secretary – Michael Ballance <p>Michael shared that he just received a job offer, so he is not sure if he will be able to commit to the position of Secretary. Chair asked for volunteers for the Secretary position and for one of the at-large member positions. She shared she would like to appoint either Ernie Brown or Melinda Avey to one of the at-large members to keep the historical knowledge; Leslie Julianel volunteered for an at-large member position. Endorsement of the Council of the two at-large member appointments made by Chair Addie will be asked for at the December meeting.</p>
Department and First 5 Commission Updates	<p>Health and Human Services: Sherri Z. Heller provided a report included in the meeting packet. Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Tuesday's, November 17, Board of Supervisors' (BOS) workshop on Alcohol and Drug issues is now scheduled for 10:45am not 11:00am as previously scheduled. Questions and discussion on the subject ensued with Sherri and the group. <p>Human Assistance: Gladys Deloney's provided a report included in the meeting packet. Mary Behnoud added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Tuesday the BOS approved \$724, 0000 in additional funds to increase winter shelter capacity for homeless individuals and families; \$600,000 to Sacramento Steps Forward for rapid rehousing and \$124,000 for motel vouchers. Questions and discussion on the subject ensued with Mary and the group. <p>First 5 Commission: Julie Gallelo provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p>
Member Advisory Boards & Community Member's Updates	<p>Adult and Aging Commission: Dev Berger provided a report included in the meeting packet. Added:</p> <p>Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board: Melinda Avey provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p> <p>Children's Coalition: Ernie Brown provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p> <p>Disability Advisory Commission: Provided a report included in the meeting packet. Randy Hicks added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Program and Services Access Subcommittee is developing a public access compliance program in the Disability Compliance Office. It will review public access laws and will have responsibility for program and community access framework, and departmental reviews. This will allow for a quicker turnaround time as not everything will have to go to through Disability Compliance Office. • Randy invited the group to attend the DAC meetings. <p>Mental Health Advisory Board: Tom Campbell provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p> <p>Public Health Advisory Board: Paula Green provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p>
Announcements	<p>Chair re-announced the following for those that came late:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December is Potluck month – bring a dish to share • January meeting will be the Work Plan Retreat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Catering option available, chose an entrée and give \$11.75 to staff ➢ District 3 Supervisor Susan Peters will be the guest speaker.
Public Comments	None
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 1:25pm.

- November 10 afternoon workshop in Board chambers planned for an hour to review progress on several collaborative initiatives for children: the IV-E Waiver (now branded here in Sacramento County as Children and Families Together); a Cross-Over Youth Practice model (kids who cross over dependency and delinquency courts); and initiatives for commercially sexually exploited children (CSEC) The workshop may get shortened because the Board of Supervisors added an addendum to their agenda to take action on increasing support for Winter Sanctuary and other homeless initiatives. I'll fill you in on what happens when I see you on Thursday.
- Working hard to finalize the staff report and presentation for the November 17 11:00 a.m. workshop on alcohol and drug services. Hard to edit down the presentation as different constituents have an interest in different issues. We need to address both opioid addiction (where there are medically-assisted treatments) and methamphetamine addiction (where there is no MAT). My priority is to get across the big changes coming for treatment options, financial requirements, and provider impact of the imminent implementation of the new Drug Medi-Cal Waiver. There is a big opportunity here to improve residential treatment options in our community. Second priority: Get across how much addiction drives the outcomes of other government program efforts, such as housing homeless people, preventing probation violations and other crime, reuniting families involved with child protective services.
- Spending considerable time dealing with staff hiring and retention challenges. We are experiencing tremendous turnover in our nursing/medical jobs and our social worker/protective services jobs. Some of it is hiring bureaucracy, some is competition with higher-paying providers, and some of it is just the pressures of these jobs. How can we get across the incredible importance of and satisfaction derived from this work, so that we can recruit and retain talented staff? Example: We have the budget to significantly expand the CARE+ program that is having tremendous success with seriously mentally ill adults who are resistant to treatment – noteworthy decreases in hospitalization and incarceration – but we can't find appropriately skilled workers to take these jobs.
- I think the *Bee* did a real service in the coverage of the life of Genny. I am encouraged by how the realities of her life and the failures of those who sincerely tried to help have raised the level of neighbors' awareness of the difficulty of our work. People are starting to sort out the role of housing programs vs. mental illness treatment programs vs. adult protective services, etc. Instead of reflexive accusations about the inadequacy of services, I hear a willingness to talk about ensuring that we reach out again and again and again to people, eventually building trust, and to ensure that we have service available (not a waiting list) right at that moment when somebody is finally willing to ask for help – and a service that doesn't require abandoning friends and pets and the things that make individuals feel secure and human. Just my opinion – what do you think? At least people now really understand the role of case managers, navigators, outreach workers – not just treatment specialists but support systems that reinforce treatment.

**DHA Report to
HSCC
November 12th, 2015**

- DHA will have more of a presence at Mather Hospital with our Veteran Claim Representative (VCR). Currently the VCR is located at Mather one day a week; we will in the near future move the schedule to five days a week. The plan is to also have a presence at the 1725 28th St office that serves mainly single adults for a day or two a week. We are hoping to increase the numbers of claims filed by eligible veterans.
- On November 7th, DHA participated in the Day of Hope outreach event located at Encina High School. This event was a Health Fair for the Arden-Arcade area. The event is expected to receive 3,000-5,000 people in attendance. DHA sent 8-10 outreach staff to the event. Staff trained in the various programs assisted in the efforts of signing customers up for programs. Some of the programs covered were the Affordable Care Act (ACA), Medi-Cal, CalFresh, and many more DHA services.
- In the near future, DHA will put into effect a CalFresh Outreach Task Force. The CalFresh Outreach Task initially will focus on seniors. The department will be working with Department of Health and Human Services – Adult Protection Services (APS) Division. The goal is to sign up eligible seniors for the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP), known in California as CalFresh.
- The Department is working on a shelter plan for the winter months that will be presented before the Board of Supervisors possibly this week or next week. The plan will outline funding already included in DHA Budget for homeless related services and expansion of our motel voucher program and rapid re-housing plan.

FIRST 5 SACRAMENTO COMMISSION
HSCC Report
November 13, 2015

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST COMMISSION MEETING – October 5, 2015

1. Presentation by CAPC on Safe Sleep month
2. Presentation by SCOE on “Raising Quality Together”
3. Approval of 2016 meeting calendar
4. November Commission meeting cancelled

HIGHLIGHTS OF UPCOMING MEETING – December 7, 2015

1. Public Hearing to review and adopt First 5’s financial audit for FY14-15
2. Public Hearing to review and adopt First 5’s annual report for FY14-15
3. Approval of Community Building Grants Fiscal Agent
4. Approval of Community Building Grantees
5. Approval of 2016 Vice-Chair

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. F5 Sacramento’s multi-media campaign *“If My Mom Only Knew”* is running a flight through November. Campaign elements include TV and radio commercials; bus transit shelters; interior bus ads and convenient store ads. Ongoing elements include a micro-website (www.SacHealthyBaby.com); social media; print ads and digital advertising.
2. First 5 Sacramento is currently running a three-month multi-media campaign called ‘Real Moments’ encouraging parents to spend quality time with their child. Campaign elements include radio spots; digital ads; streaming ads; and pre-roll. Continues through November.
3. Good news on the tobacco tax bill that First 5 is closely monitoring. If approved, the bill would put in place a \$2 tax on tobacco products, including e-cigarettes. Initially, there was no backfill provision to address the potential loss of First 5 funding. This has been rectified and backfill language is now included in the bill.

Sacramento Adult and Aging Commission report

On Friday, October 30, the Sacramento County Adult and Aging Commission held its annual retreat. Issues addressed were the following:

- 1. Create committee mission statements;**
- 2. Assess current committee programs and identify new opportunities;**
- 3. Create timelines and assignments for achieving initiatives (program of work);**
- 4. Determine next steps.**

**Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board Update Report
For November 12, 2015 meeting**

- The Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board continues to follow-up on the impact to county services following the passage of Proposition 47 in November 2014.
- The Board welcomed Dr. Lee Ann Kaskutas from U.C. Berkeley at the October meeting. Dr. Kaskutas is the author of a study, "What is Recovery", in which she interviewed 9000 people in recovery to come up with a definition of recovery from the experience and voices of people who are in some form of recovery.
- The use and abuse of opiates has dramatically increased our community, and our treatment committee will be working on strategies to reduce the harm caused by opiates.

November 2015 Report to the Human Services Coordinating Council

Executive Committee

Beginning Strategic Planning process for the next few years.

Oversight Committee

All presentations heard at the Oversight Committee contribute to the work plan they are developing for their Annual Report. The focus is on the back-end of services, such as how Child Welfare Service providers prepare youth who will emancipate from dependency and go on to being productive citizens. The report will take into account what the County is doing with Crossover Youth, the CSEC population and other identified high-need populations.

The Committee continues to review critical incidents.

Children's Trust Fund Committee

The CAPC contract is the only one funded by the Trust Fund along with the staff person for the Coalition. CAPC provides an Information and Referral service, the Child Death Review Team and Mandated Reporter Training. The CTF committee is also reviewing all DHHS contracts to determine where any service gaps may be which the Trust Fund could fund when the next RFP is issued in about 2 years

Ernie Brown

Member, Sacramento County Children's Coalition

Disability Advisory Commission Update
for
HSCC November Meeting

- The Disability Advisory Commission has been focused on revising its By-Laws and is planning to finalize them at the December 1 meeting.
- There are currently 5 vacancies which has caused some quorum issues recently, resulting in meeting cancellations in September and November.
- The Programs and Services Access Subcommittee is working with the Disability Compliance Office to develop a review process to evaluate and have input on disability access considerations across county departments and service areas.
- The Housing Subcommittee has requested data from the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) on the number of accessible units in the public housing stock in the county, and hopes to meet with them soon.
- The Physical Access Subcommittee is reviewing Chapter 5, “Development Standards” of the newly revised Zoning Code to address some gaps in information about and references to accessibility regulations and requirements.

Sacramento County Mental Health Board (MHB)
Monthly Activity Report to the Human Services Coordinating Council

November 2015

Grand Jury Report

At its October meeting, the MHB voted to make NO comment on the 2014-2015 grand jury report. This report was highly critical of the County's decision making following the fiscal downturn of 2009, particularly the reduction in specific mental health crisis management programs. The MHB has closely followed the County's response to the grand jury report. After reviewing the County's response, the MHB decided it had no significant value to add to the discussion.

Assisted Outpatient Treatment

At its November meeting, the MHB voted to table until March, 2016, any action on researching and developing a recommendation on implementing Assisted Outpatient Treatment as authorized by AB 1421. This decision was based on an evaluation of the County's ongoing reorganization and "rebalancing" of the public mental health system. The MHB decision reflected the consensus that making a recommendation on Assisted Outpatient Treatment would be premature because a significant portion of the system's fiscal and programmatic design are in flux. In March, the MHB plans to reevaluate whether this is still the case.

**Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB)
Monthly Activity Report**

Prepared for:
Sacramento County
Human Services Coordinating Council

- I. PHAB Appointments and Vacancies
Appointments: none
Vacancies: One Community Member, One Public Health Professional and One Public Health Representatives

- II. Primary Health Division Update:
 - Healthcare for Undocumented Residents
Known also as “Healthy Partners”. A manager has been selected and stakeholder groups continue to meet.
 - GMC Enrollment
Currently total GMC enrollment in Sacramento County as of Sept 1st was 412,656. The number increased by 3,899 from the previous month. Data is posted on website.
 - Refugee Services
Approx. 70-80,000 refugees are resettled in the US per year. California receives 15-17% of all new refugees making it the largest refugee recipient in the U.S. Sacramento receives the third highest number of refugees in the state, next to San Diego and Los Angeles. They go through a health assessment on arrival and there are a projected 2100-2500 refugee health assessments for this year. These patients now will be qualified for GMC instead of depending on the refugee health plans as they previously did.

- III. Public Health Division Update:
 - A mandate was put into place for masking of all healthcare providers who elect to not get the flu shot this year.
 - Working with El Dorado County on an E. Coli outbreak from apple juice at Apple Hill. No reported Sacramento cases thus far.
 - A new Senior Manager has been hired and will be working on the Opiate misuse and abuse programs for Sacramento County.

- IV. Needle Exchange Program Update
Three guest speakers from Harm Reduction Services and spoke about their experience with the Needle Exchange Program within the City of Sacramento and programs they are working on in Yolo County. Sacramento County has disproportionate # of Botulism and Necrotizing Fasciitis for the population size. Harm Reduction Services is seeing 100-200 new contacts per year with a major increase in the younger populations.

- V. New Priorities for 2016
Looking for input on Public Health related issues in need of advisory board evaluation for the 2016 year. Please forward suggestions to Morgan Staines.