

Sacramento County Children's Coalition
Minutes of Meeting
March 19, 2014

Membership Attendance

David Ballard	P	Sheridan Miyamoto	P	Angelina Woodberry	P
Julie Bornhoeft	A	Rachel Raymond	P		
Ernie Brown	P	Gina Roberson	P		
Brittney Chambers	A	Elizabeth Sterba	A		
Jane Claar	P	Ginger Swigart	P		
LeOndra Clark Harvey	A	Lynn Thull	P		
Laura Kerr	A	Phillip Ung	P	Valerie Cousins (Staff)	P

Guests: Fatima Katumesi

Meeting Called to Order: 4:10

Consent Calendar and Minutes:

- February Minutes Approved with amendments

Chair's Report: Rachel Raymond

- Meeting with the Chiefs (3-13-14) update
 - Rachel, Sheridan and Ernie attended the meeting, topics included the upcoming changes to the Children's Report Card and the Children's Trust Fund
 - Ernie Brown discussed the depletion of trust fund dollars, the frustration of trying to find out what caused the dramatic decrease in funds and that the committee still does not have an answer.
 - The Committee decided to send a letter discussing the Children's Trust Fund to the Chiefs before the next meeting in June. The executive committee was tasked with writing the letter.

Capturing Input on the Safety Net

Ernie Brown/Alan Lange from Community Link

- The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors is holding a workshop on the safety net on April 9, at 2:00pm. The workshop is intended to help the BoS better understand urgent issues facing safety net providers and service recipients. At the workshop the Board will examine how the structure and content of the safety net has changed since the start of the recession and discuss what is needed to achieve the desired safety net. Emphasis will be placed on identifying key gaps in services and supports.
- The HSCC is soliciting input from selected groups, MABs, and CPACs with specific knowledge of community needs and conditions. Input will be collected and assessed to identify themes and priorities, key findings will then be shared with the BoS.
- Many topics were discussed by the committee including:
 - Promoting public trust, community parent support, the time it takes to get services and the lack of transportation to be able to take advantage of services in the community

- Public education on what services are available, the importance of children's mental health and that many issues may not occur until the child enters school. School age children need to be evaluated as well as children age 0-5.
- With all the programs available there is no assessment of success or accountability. There needs to be a willingness to address what is working and what is not for future funding opportunities.
- The schools should be utilized as a hub for families
- Members were invited to participate in the workshop on April 9th if interested.

Oversight Report Presentation: Gina Roberson

- David Ballard was there to introduce Gina, and several members of the oversight committee attended. The presentation to the BoS was well received, and the supervisors want the new CPS quality assurance framework to be supported. An article appeared in the Sacramento Bee.

Committee Updates

Children's Trust Fund: Ernie Brown

- We are still trying to get more information from the County about the Trust Fund Dollars and have requested 10 years of data for the Trust Fund Account
- As far as we know we are all following the law for the distribution of funds from birth certificates for children living outside the County.
- CAPC is working with Ken Cooley on his legislation
- We need a cost benefit analysis, why has the fund declined so much? Is it really true that Placer Kaiser is the problem?
- Monies that reverted back to the Trust Fund from CAPC did not show up (\$29,000)
- We would like a timeline from the County on when will we know what is happening

Oversight Committee

- Michelle Callejas attends Oversight Meetings quarterly. She attended in March to offer updates on the Quality Assurance Framework, the progress of implementation and hiring of essential personnel.
- The Committee Reviewed the annual work plan for 2014 and the Annual Report will include:
 - Systems Sub-Committee will follow the implementation of the QA Framework and how the money was spent.
 - A review of Intake Calls, wait times, standards (measured against other counties) will also be included in the next report
 - The Oversight Committee will explore delayed permanency and placement issues at the April meeting with a presentation from Luis Villa and Stephanie Lynch. There is currently a crisis in court services and kinship where children are staying in care longer because of personnel issues; Michelle is in the process of adding more positions to alleviate the problem.
 - CPS has contracted with Research Development Associates to right new policy and procedures; they should be done in a year.

First 5

- No Update

HSCC

- **Workshop on April 9, 2014 2:00pm**

Report Card

- Rachel Raymond: The Report Card committee will meet and present a new framework to the coalition next month. We will need to revise the Bylaws to remove the report card and add in the policy committee language

Blue Ribbon Update: Gina Roberson

- The Blue Ribbon commission is discussing what the county is actually spending on children's issues in the budget and what programs are working in both the County and those that are not part of County government. The workgroups; Third Party Homicide, Perinatal Infant Sleep Safe, California Black Health Care Network and CAN all gave updates as they begin the work and recommendations will be coming out soon.

Public Comment

- None

Announcement

- The Children's Law Center will be holding a fund raising event on April 9, from 6-9pm at the California Museum.
- First 5 Commission, Birth & Beyond, and the Board of Supervisors Annual Resolution: Wear blue for kids movement, April is Child Abuse Prevention month, wear blue and take a "selfie" send it to Gina

Adjourn 5:30