

Sacramento County Children's Coalition
Minutes of Meeting
September 17, 2014

Membership Attendance

David Ballard	P	Kimberly McDaniel	P	Phillip Ung	A
Julie Bornhoeft	P	Sheridan Miyamoto	P	Angelina Woodberry	P
Ernie Brown	P	Rachel Raymond	P		
Jane Claar	A	Gina Roberson	P		
LeOndra Clark Harvey	P	Nicole Rushing	P		
Laura Kerr	P	Lynn Thull	A	Valerie Cousins (Staff)	P

Guests: Melinda Gieser, Piper Wilson, Louise Martinez, Virginia Malfair, Molly McCall, Dr. Sherri Heller, Mike Tateishi, Alan Lange

Meeting Called to Order: 4:10

- Gina Roberson called the meeting to order, many members were late due to traffic.
- Introductions

Presentation: The Children's Trust Fund

Presenters: Dr. Heller and Mike Tateishi

- The Children's' s Coalition letter to Dr. Heller dated September 11, 2014 asked for information regarding
 - A full accounting of the fees collected as part of birth certificates for the past six years
 - An explanation of why the amounts devoted to the CTF have varied each year.
 - Information regarding the current allocation of birth certification fees to the CTF for fiscal year 2014-15 and how the fee amount has been determined
 - Certificate could be devoted to the CTF. How was this and future projected amounts derived?
 - The Children's Coalition is requesting an analysis of the impact of the recently chaptered AB 2187 which requires that counties send money collected with respect to birth certificates to the county of the mother's residence at the time of birth.
- Dr. Heller and Mr. Tateishi delivered their responses in writing to the committee and discussed some of the topics.
- The information for the number of birth certificates given at the CTF meeting was incorrect. The balance of the account is correct, but the number of birth certificates was inflated. They made the request of the County Clerk- Recorder's office and were given the number of all certificates including marriage, and death certificates. The last page of the handout has the number of births in Sacramento and Placer County by year.
- Full Accounting of Children's Trust Fund Fees: (for more detailed information see the handout from the meeting) The County collects \$28.00 per birth certificate, by statute, \$4.00 (less \$0.40 for administrative Costs) is collected for the Children's Trust Fund. In addition, beginning in 1996, the Board of Supervisors added an additional \$3.00 per birth certificate (less 10%) bringing the total to \$3.60 + \$2.70 = \$6.30.

- For the first 2 years, certificates are issued by Vital Statistics, Vital Statistics has not taken the full \$0.70, so \$6.60 is deposited into the CTF.
 - After the 2 years, the County Clerk-Recorder issues the birth certificates, they take the full 10% administrative costs out and deposit \$6.30 in the CTF
 - A year by year breakdown was provided in the handout
- Children's Trust Fund Fees Collected-Variance Each Year
 - Because the birth certificate numbers were inflated, the deposits looked as if they were too low. Attachment 1 in the handout has the correct numbers that have been verified by both Clerk-Recorder and Vital Statistics staff
 - DHHS is consistently depositing \$6.60 per certificate issued and the County Clerk Recorder is depositing \$6.30 respectively.
- Current Allocation of Fees to the CTG and How are the Fee Amount is Determined
 - As discussed DHHS Vital Statics deposits \$6.60, and the County Clerk-Recorder deposits \$6.30 per birth certificate. Both departments will continue with this practice.
 - The County Clerk Recorder will continue to take 10%, however, DHHS will not. DHHS feels that fee is better applied to the continue coverage of the administrative functions provided by Community Link
- Analysis of the Impact of the Recently Chaptered AB 2187 (Assemblymember Cooley)
 - As births decrease in Sacramento County and increase in Placer County, taking an average of \$6.37 per certificate, Sacramento County loses about \$25.5 thousand a year in CTF revenue. See Attachment 2 on the handout.
 - Placer County is required to send \$3.60 back to Sacramento County regaining approximately \$13.6 thousand per year.
 - This does not take into account the Sutter hospitals, Kaiser South, Dignity hospitals and UCD Medical Center regional birthing services. Sacramento will have to send back \$3.60 to other counties per out of county births.
 - DHHS does not have the data as to how Sacramento County will net out in fee revenue to the CTF.
- CTF Spending
 - When the CTF was originally transferred from the State, the balance included an accumulation of fees collected prior to the transfer. The coalition at that time decided to contract out services based on the entire balance rather than on the revenue begin received. Staff at that time had warned that eventually the size and number of contracts expenditures would outstrip the revenue coming in. In 2012-13 the CTF reached that point.
- Children's Trust Fund Moving Forward
 - Overseeing, managing the trust fund, what is the coalition's role?
 - Members agreed there needs to be accountability on what goes in & what goes out. On-going reports for deposits, quarterly statements, and the coalition will discuss how this should happen and DHHS will give the information.
 - In addition to Children's Trust Fund, the Coalition should be seeking out other potential funding sources that could be used to support children's issues. Members discussed potential opportunities such as the IV-E waiver program.

- Dr. Heller was asked to attend the Coalition on a yearly basis and was delighted to be invited.
- Miscellaneous
 - Luis Villa will be taking over as Deputy Director for the Office of Finance Contracts and Administration. Mike Tateishi will be retiring.

Chair's Report: Rachel Raymond

- Rachel was aware that new members need orientation to the Coalition, and she will be sending out a doodle poll to schedule the meeting.
- New members need to be introduced to the work plan that was formulated out of the last retreat in October 2013. There are some specific action steps that will get us back on track. With all that has been going on with the Trust Fund, the other issues took a back seat, but the coalition will get back to them.
- Staff will send out a copy of the work plan to the Committee Members before the next meeting so it can be discussed.
- The Coalition might want to consider another retreat to talk about new funding sources for the Children's Trust Fund, how Policy and Advocacy can work on that topic, and what it might look like.
- There will be a policy and advocacy meeting before the October Coalition meeting.
- Rachel will be asking for an ad-hoc committee to form to announce the nominees for the new officer's slate at the next meeting.

Consent Calendar and Minutes

- July minutes approved

Committee Updates

Children's Trust Fund: Ernie Brown

- Not much left to say after the presentation. The problem has been identified based on revenue data. We know we are getting the money.
- There will be several years (2-3) before we have enough money to fund services for children in Sacramento County.
- The Trust Fund Committee has 2 new members, Nicole Rushing and Melinda Gieser!

HSCC: Ernie Brown

- DHHS will be taking back information to everyone that gave input on the Safety Net – CPACS, MABs, and others in late October.
- St. Johns gave a presentation that the Coalition may want to hear.
- The new Health Status Report is out
 - Aging is increasing
 - People with no health care coverage increased. ACA may have an effect on this
 - Low birth weight is up
 - STD's are also up.
 - The executive summary is available online
- HSCC Annual Heroes of Human Services Awards will be Tuesday October 7 at 9:30am. The nominees have been selected and a volunteer component has been added to the awards.

Oversight: Gina Roberson

- Oversight had presentations from both Court Services and County Counsel
- County Counsel discussed the legal definitions for dispositions and the committee members discussed the dispositions they see in the Critical Incident Reports. Training is an issue, the Supervisor's Academy is supposed to address incorrect dispositions made by social workers.
- Court Services has experienced a huge increase in case load from more new cases and cases that were continued because the workers were not prepared to present them. It was a very interesting presentation

Policy and Advocacy:

- Laura is ready to retire as chair and a new chair should be installed.
- New members (Non-Coalition) need to be recruited to take us in a new direction

First Five: Le Ondra Clark-Harvey

- First Five is drafting the evaluation plan

Blue Ribbon: Gina Roberson

- No Meeting
- They are having a retreat on the 26th in Tahoe!

Public Announcement

- Staff will send out a doodle poll to change the meeting day.
- In October Melinda will give a presentation on Child Care Subsidy
- The Executive Committee will take the brainstorming notes from the coalition's last meeting for presenters and bring back information to the Coalition in October.

Adjourn 5:45