

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

Membership Attendance

Angelina Woodberry	P	Kimberley McDaniel	P	Nicole Rushing	P
David Ballard	A	Laura Kerr	P	Philip Ung	P
Ernie Brown	P	LeOndra Clark Harvey	P	Rachel Raymond	P
Gina Roberson	A	Lynn Thull	A	Sheridan Miyamoto	P
Jane Claar	A	Melinda Geiser	P		
Julie Bornhoeft	P	Molly McCall	P		

Meeting Called to Order: 4:02pm

- Rachel Raymond called the meeting to order and introductions made
- **Minutes approved with edits to sixth bullet under Children's Trust Fund Board Letter (sentence fragment removed).** (M/S Bornhoeft/Kerr; unanimous approval.)

Chair's Report (R. Raymond)

- Raymond reported back on the outcome of the Board of Supervisors hearing to approve Children's Trust Fund recommendations. Raymond presented to the Board stating the recommendation and rationale of the Children's Coalition's decision to defer release of additional funding until the Children's Trust Fund had replenished. Board of Supervisors expressed its desire to have funding released and used without an interim break. Implied that if there appears to be a funding shortfall, should work with County/Board of Supervisors to discuss alternatives.
- Members commented that the figures reviewed by the Board were fund projections, and not reflective of what is actually in the Children's Trust Fund. With the funding extended for providers for six months, there will be little for the Committee and Coalition to release for 2015-16.
- Children's Trust Fund Committee will begin work on developing a new RFP for 2015-16. Committee needs direction from Coalition on priorities.
- **Children's Trust Fund process will be discussed in detail at the next meeting with the Chiefs of Staff.**

Priorities and Activities for 2015

- The Campaign Proposal worksheet developed by the Policy and Advocacy Committee was distributed. Members paired up and discussed priorities for Coalition consideration. Suggestions included:
 - Children's outpatient mental health
 - Parent education
 - Parent stress relief
 - Adolescent drug treatment and awareness
 - Meeting parents basic needs
 - Respite and/or self care techniques for parents
 - Use of technology to make crisis support counselors/strategies more readily available

- Life skills classes for transition aged youth and/or other intervention/prevention services
- Human and child trafficking
- Breaking the cycle of abuse by providing children with job training and jobs for youth, as well as healthy relationship skills
- When available, findings and recommendations for the CPS Oversight Committee report and the Blue Ribbon Commission can also be added to consideration.
- Members also made specific instructions that could be tangibly applied in requirements for the next Children's Trust Fund: Require responders to identify specific goals, targets, and measures that will be used to assess outcomes and maintain accountability. Must be outcomes driven. Require explanation of how proposed strategies are based on proven practices.
- **Results of safety net services process conducted by the County and HSCC will be shared with Coalition. The County's budget priorities will also be shared with the Coalition.**

Membership

- Members discussed possibilities for member recruitment. Need both members who have the ear of decision makers, and members who see the needs of children and families on a day to day basis.

Committee Updates

- Nominations Committee
 - Proposed slate of officers for 2015 presented: Chair – Rachel Raymond; Vice Chair: LeOndra Clarke Harvey; Secretary - Angelina Woodberry.
 - Officer's will be voted on in January.
- Oversight Committee
 - Committee is drafting the annual report. Focus will be on the status and progress of the quality assurance program that has been implemented.
- Children's Trust Fund
 - Report provided within the Chair's Report.
- Policy and Advocacy
 - Extending deadline to receive member input on the Campaign Proposal. Only one submittal provided to date. Members strongly encouraged to submit input.
 - CPS Oversight Committee will be sending in information.
- First Five Sacramento
 - Grant review for the latest RFP is underway.
- Human Services Coordinating Council
 - Will be holding work planning retreat in January. Coalition members will receive a very short survey asking about their observations on barriers to service access. Results will help shape discussion for HSCC at the retreat.

Announcements

- Children's Law Center will have its annual holiday boutique where foster care givers can pick up gifts that have been donated by Sleep Train.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:34pm.