

Sacramento County Children's Coalition
Minutes of Meeting
February 18, 2015

Membership Attendance

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

Meeting Called to Order: 4:02pm

- S. Miyamoto called the meeting to order and introductions made
- M/S (Bornhoeft/Brown) to approve January and December minutes; approved.

Chair's Report

- R. Raymond met with Sherri Heller to discuss Children's Trust Fund and what would be needed to connect the CTF funding with the overall county budget process. DHHS has interest in stabilizing the CTF. Any DHHS investment would have to align with Titel IV-E priorities and funds. Time available prevented a complete discussion, but Raymond and Heller will rescheduled to discuss further. It seems that the County thinks an increase in the birth certificate fees would be reasonable. It has been many years since an increase was made.

Priorities for 2015

- Executive Committee reviewed the members' survey responses and considered what was heard from the committees and Board of Supervisors staff and developed a recommended priority to guide Coalition and committee work in 2015
- A comprehensive framework was distributed to attendees. Overall goal is to **break the cycle of abuse and neglect by focusing on vulnerable youth through prevention/intervention serves such as life skills training and mentoring, and developing white papers and policy recommendations for improved outcomes.**
- Noted that language should reference "adverse environments" instead of "violent environments."
- Coalition recommended that the focus should be on youth (e.g. teen/young adult), as there is often a gap in services for this age range.
- Each committee will need to determine its specific parameters for working with the topic. For the CTF, it is being recommended that the funding opportunity focus on innovative or pilot programs.
- **M/S (Rushing/Bornhoeft) to approve the "break the cycle" priority area for 2015; approved.**

Officer Election

- Membership Committee presented a slate of officers for 2015-16: Chair: Rachel Raymond; Vice Chair: Kimberly McDaniel; Secretary: Angelina Woodberry.
- M/S (Claar/Geiser) to approve slate of officers as presented; approved.

- Officers will begin serving March 1.

Membership Recruitment

- Based on the priority area, members discussed good recruitment targets
- WIND Youth Services (**Roberson** will contact)
- Law Enforcement (**Claar** will talk to Mike Shores about Juvenile Probation)
- Aged Out Foster Youth (**Thull** has a professional group that might have access to candidates; **McDaniel** may have a group through City College campus)
- WHY Collaborative, Bridges, CASH all deal with sexually exploited youth (**Bornhoeft** will see if WEAVE has leads)
- LGBT community (**Bornhoeft** will check with Don Bends at the LGBT Center)
- Center for Fathers and Families (**Claar** will make contact)
- Employment, like SETA, La Familia, Crossroads, and Sierra Forever Families.
- Targets will be invited to the March meeting. **The next meeting could include a discussion of what are the gaps.**
- Coalition needs an outreach brochure. **Staff will send out what is on file and what has been used previously.**

Committee Updates

- CPS Oversight: Oversight Committee Report will be presented to Board of Supervisors on April 7 at 11am. Report is being drafted, will be shared with Michelle Callejas, then to Executive Committee for review, then to the County Executive and Board of Supervisors.
- Policy and Advocacy: Committee received feedback from its campaign worksheet. Committee weighed all input, including from Chiefs of Staff, and agreed that the comprehensive framework was the best scenario to move forward. Importance of the Coalition was reiterated: Supervisors look to Coalition as the experts in the field; role needs to be taken very seriously. Coalition needs to use knowledge and data to form and articulately present positions. Next meeting is Mar 5, 4-6pm, Fox and Goose.
- Children's Trust Fund: All updates reported earlier in meeting.
- Blue Ribbon: April 7, committee will be presenting to Board of Supervisors and will be recommending significant changes, including the formation of an Interagency Children's Policy Council. Coalition should have a seat at that Council.

Announcements

- None.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:03pm.