

**Sacramento County
Human Services Coordinating Council**

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Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2012, Noon - 1:30 PM

Meeting Location

Dept. of Human Assistance

2700 Fulton Ave

Sacramento, CA. 95821

Conference Room 58

Facilitator: Ernie Brown – Chair

Staffed by: Jerri Thompson

Meeting Attendees:

- HSCC Members - Melinda Avey (Secretary), David Ballard (Vice Chair), Ernie Brown (Chair), Jane Fowler, Edward T. Lewis, David Mana-ay, Mike McCune, Gary McDonald, Matt Mengelkoch, Mike Monasky, Paul Tanner, Frank Topping
- Ex-officio Members and Liaisons –Colleene Miller (DHA), Tracy Bennett (DHHS)
- Guests - Toni Moore (First Five), Leoma Lee, Blia Vang

Absent Members:

- Ann Edwards (Ex-officio, Countywide Services), Gary Myerscough

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Call to Order/Introductions	Chair called the meeting to order. Introductions were made.
Approval of November 08, 2012 Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair informed the group there was a significant amount of business for today's meeting that required a quorum and until recently the definition of the quorum was interpret to be one more than half of the filled seats. With County Counsel interpreting the HSCC quorum definition to be a majority of the full membership we have been unable to quorum. Though the HSCC has been working on trying to get this resolved for the last year with the County, the process has been delayed time after time. Therefore Ernie said he was making the decision to interpret the definition of the HSCC quorum as it has been since it began in 1994 and practiced for the past almost 20 yrs. and with a majority of the filled seats present at today's meeting he declared a quorum. • Approval of November 8, 2012 Minutes: Mana-ay moved to approve the minutes with revisions, Monasky seconded. Ayes: Unanimous. Abstained: Avey, Ballard, Fowler, McDonald, Mengelkoch, and Topping as they were not present at the November meeting. Minutes Approved. • Quorum as defined by County Counsel interruption (one more than half of the membership) was achieved by the end of the meeting as well.
Chair's Report a. Re-cap Heroes Event b. 2013 Work Plan Retreat c. Qtrly Meeting with the Chiefs	Chair provided a report included in the meeting packet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair gave a re-cap of the Sixth Annual Heroes of Human Services held on December 4, 2012. The event was very successful and well received by all who attended. The Board of Supervisor did an excellent job with award ceremony and it ended right on time. Chair thanked Staff/Jerri for putting together the reception. Chair and Staff thanked Tracy Bennett and Gladys Deloney, for their help setting up the reception and Leoma Lee for passing out the programs. • The 2013 Work Plan Retreat will be held on January 10 at the Sierra Health Foundation from Noon-3:00pm in the Capital room. The facility will be providing beverages and snacks, no lunch so brining a brown bag lunch was suggested to group. Supervisor Phil Serna will be the guest speaker. • Chair will be advising the Chiefs of Staff at the 2:30pm quarterly meeting scheduled today that he has made the decision to consider the definition of the quorum to be one more than half of the filled seats as it has been for the past almost 20 yrs.
Council Development Committee a. Bylaws Review and Approval (Action Item) b. 2013 Officer Elections (Action Item)	a. Approval of the bylaws revisions: Avey moved to approve the proposed revisions of the bylaws, Mana-ay seconded. Nay vote was given by Monasky all others in favor of approval; bylaws revisions Approved. As no nominations were received from the floor the motion to approve the presented Slate of Officers by the Council Development Committee was made by Mana-ay and seconded by Monasky. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Approved. 2013 Officers: Chair –David Ballard, Vice Chair -Ernie Brown, Secretary - David Mana-ay
Approval of 2013 Calendar (Action Item)	Approval of 2013 Calendar for the HSCC Meetings: Fowler moved to approve, Topping seconded. Ayes: Unanimous. Calendar Approved.
Ad-Hoc Committee Updates	Goal 1 – Frank Topping reported.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank shared he just sent an email to Staff and asked for it to be forwarded to the group. The email contains links to the Sacramento Bee of articles pertaining to the Cordova Hills Housing Project, including a Sac Bee editorial against the Cordova Hills Housing project. Frank said it sounds like the Planning Department has approved it even though the environmental impact report was based on a university being approved for the location but the university has withdrawn from the project. All of the environmental analysis was done with the assumption that a university would be built. It was assumed that many of the people who moved to new houses in Cordova Hills would work at the university, thus reducing the amount of driving and greenhouse gas emissions and that many students and university employees would bicycle to and around the campus or use public transportation. Frank said he has emailed the Planning Department but never received a response. He is concerned that the Planning Department is not following Policy HS-9 of the Human Services Element of the County's General Plan whereas they are to forward appropriate projects to the HSCC as part of the Planning's initial distribution process for applications and if this development and possibly other are being fast tracked without the HSCC having the opportunity to weigh and we can be of little help to the Board of Supervisors (BoS). The BoS has postponed a decision until January 29. • Another link Frank provided and invited the group to read is an article about the rational alternatives to accommodate the homeless in San Diego and the article stated early results seem to indicate over a million dollars was saved by the "housing first" concept. • Frank complimented the Chair of the Disability Advisory Commission, David Mana-ay, for taking a strong look at homeless issues. • Ballard discussed with the group the need for the Planning Department to follow Policy HS-9, having the HSCC involved in the projects to be in a position of review to bring a dimension to the analysis that others do not have. Chair Brown will be bring this issue of the HSCC not being contacted by the Planning Department up at today's meeting with the Chiefs of Staff. <p>Goal 2 – Handout provided by Cheryl Bennett reflected work that has been done to establish the mission, structure and membership of the revitalized Access and Functional Needs Committee and included draft copies of the membership and the Mission and Goals statements. In the handout Cheryl stated the committee is still discussing some matters of representation and respectfully requested the following input from the HSCC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would it be more appropriate to have a representative of the First 5 Committee or the First 5 Commission? Toni Moore will follow up with Cheryl. • Which Veterans' organization would be the most appropriate representative for the needs of Veterans, especially those who are disabled and/or homeless, in our community? David Mana-ay will follow up with Cheryl. <p>Goal 4 – Melinda Avey reported. No new news at this time as December meeting was cancelled for the Holiday.</p>
Department and First Five Commission Updates	<p>Health and Human Services: DHHS provided a report included in the meeting packet, Tracy Bennett highlighted.</p> <p>Human Assistance: Colleene Miller reported. Copies of the report were provided at the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North A Street Facility - We have been working on a sub-lease with Women's Empowerment and are very close to coming to agreement. We are hoping to have the lease signed by Jan. 1 and Women's Empowerment would

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	<p>like to complete their move and open operations by February 2013. We sent out about 1500 letters inviting nearby neighbors, businesses, and property owners to have been meeting with neighborhood groups, per our policies. Turn out from neighborhood groups has been low but there has been some good discussion regarding potential impact of the WE programs and that Good Neighbor Policy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retired Senior Volunteer Program - RSVP has a new Volunteer Program Specialist, Sondra Mattingly (start date with DHA was 12/03.) Currently focusing recruiting efforts in Yolo County for the Yolo County RSVP. • Veterans Information - DHA working with Assembly member, Roger Dickinson on a free Veterans Directory Guide. The directory provides returning veterans with information on housing resources, education assistance, pension benefits and other resources. Please call (916) 324-4676 to receive a guide. There are an estimated 23,714,418 veterans in the Unties States. Currently, there are 1.918, 073 veterans in California, the largest. The second largest state is Florida with 1,617,248. • CalWORKs changes - Most of the CalWORKs changes will go into effect in January 2013. Clients who are not meeting the Federal work participation rate will only have 24 months of CalWORKs, and will be come a child only case unless the case begins to meet the work participation requirements. The cases that are child only will go from quarterly reporting to annual reporting. <p>First 5 Commission: Toni Moore provided a report included in the meeting packet. Additional information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Five continues to stay involved and is helping to lead the Geographic Managed Care Denti-Cal Committee. All of this got kicked off with a study that was commissioned by the First 5. The first year that was looked at was 2008 and at that point in time only 20% of the kids the State was paying benefits for dental services through the Medi-Cal program were accessing services compared to 40% statewide and then because of all the well organized community advocacy that has gone on that rate in 2011 bounced up to 31% for Sacramento County; now in the current year 2012 it is at 48% headed towards 56% for the full year which is now significantly hirer than the state average. Toni shared she has never seen a group of citizens and interested parties come together, get themselves organized, intervene with a state agency, get legislative support and make any kind of change through their contractors in this short of period of time during her career. On Tuesday the BoS voted to formally establish the Sacramento County Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee to serve as an advisory body to the Board on matters relating to the delivery of oral health and dental care services for children in Sacramento County. • Mike Monasky shared he testified at the BoS meeting in support of the idea that the members be approved for the establishment of the Dental-Cal Committee. He did bring up the issues that the members will be looking at a budget of tens of millions of dollars and they are required to file a statement of economic interest with the CA Fair Political Practices Commission yet in contradiction the Medi-Cal Managed Care Advisory Committee is appointed by a Deputy Director of DHHS and has a budget approaching \$100 million, about ten times the Dental-Cal one, and the members are not required to file a statement. The Board Chair asked the County Exec. to see if anything was wrong with that, County Exec said he will follow up and get back with an answer.
Member Advisory Boards & Community Member's Updates	<p>Alcohol and Drug Advisory: Paul Tanner provided a report included in the meeting packet. Children's Coalition: David Ballard provided a report included in the meeting packet. Disability Advisory Committee: David Mana-ay reported.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David has noticed age increase in the people on the street in the Friendship Park area. He saw a woman approximately 65 yrs old, walking around still in a hospital gown and was carrying a plastic discharge bag. He was shocked and saddened to see this happening in our country. • DAC's January meeting has been moved to the second Tuesday due to the holiday. The focus of the meeting will be the nexus of Homelessness with Disability. Paul Lake, Director of DHA will be attending the meeting. <p>Mental Health Advisory Board: Jane Fowler and Frank Topping reported.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board did not meet in December. • Ad-hoc committee reviewing Laura's Law (legislation of involuntary treatment of people) will be presenting suggestions to the BoS in January. • MH Board will have their retreat in January, date is TBD, this is an open meeting. • The Crisis Unit is back open, this is a 24hr service offered to hospitals only not as a dump zone for the police. • A celebration was held for the awardees of the the Respite Partnership Collaborative. Almost \$400,000 in funding was given to increase mental health respite service options and offer alternative to hospitalization for community members who are experiencing a ment ahealth crisis in Sacramento County. The funded organizations are: Capital Adoptive Family Alliance, Del Oro Caregiver Resource Center, Turning Point Community Programs, and United Iu-Mien Community, Inc. • Adult and Aging Commission: Gary McDonald reported-AAC did not meet in December due to the holiday. <p>Public Health Advisory Board: No report.</p>
Announcements/Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair announced that two of our HSCC members, Edward T. Lewis and Frank Topping were recipients of the 2012 Heroes of Human Services Awards. • Mike Monasky announced there will be a panel discussion called "Not Walking on Gas" a neighborhood success story on Thursday, December 20th at the Sol Collective on 21st street 7-9pm. The Avondale-Glen Elder Neighborhood Assoc. had a five year struggle; they have won twice so far but continue struggling to keep 8 billion cubic feet of natural gas lines out from under 700 homes, shops and schools from their neighborhood. They will be receiving the PRAEIO Award (Peoples Resistance Against Excessive Institutional Oppression) • Tracy Bennett shared Ann Edwards sends her Happy Holiday wishes to everyone and regrets for being unable to attend today's meeting. • David Ballard led the group in thanking Ernie for his time and effort as the HSCC Chair for the past two years. • Michael Monasky announced his resignation from the HSCC. David Mana-ay led the group in thanking him for his time served on the HSCC.
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned

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DHHS Update for Human Services Coordinating Council Meeting – December 2012

- Dr. Sherri Z. Heller is appointed the Director of the DHHS effective December 16, 2012. Dr. Heller has over 30 years' experience in the delivery of public health and human services, administration and policy. Dr. Heller has directed the Lancaster County Office of Mental Health and Drug and Alcohol services, served as the Assistant to the President Pro Tem of the Pennsylvania State Senate and served as County Administrator for the County of Lancaster, Deputy Secretary of the Office of Income Maintenance for the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare; and the Commissioner of the Office of Child Support Enforcement of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. In private enterprise, Dr. Heller used her knowledge and expertise to lead information technology corporations in providing process and innovative business solutions to state, county and city human services agencies. She has been recognized for her efforts to improve child support programs throughout the nation.
- Low Income Health Program
 - Molina Healthcare has received the first round of group eligibility, cohorts. This group will be enrolled in Molina beginning December 2012. The cohort consisted of 1,300 patients.
 - The second round of group eligibility, cohorts, will be sent to Molina in December 2012 for a January 1, 2012 enrollment. The cohort will be around 2,100 patients.
- The county has received \$3.4 million in revenue from the State for the Community First Choice Option (CFCO). This is additional federal revenue that is applied to the IHSS provider payments, lowering the state-local liability. The \$3.4 million is for the period December 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. DHHS proposes using the \$3.4 million to increase the IHSS provider payment budget. For 2012-13 the state intends to keep the entire savings realized from CFCO.

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BUDGET ACTIVITIES

At this point the Commission is not anticipating any statewide proposals to redirect First 5 funds; however, more will be known once the Governor's Preliminary Budget is released in January. Commission staff will begin the annual County budget process, starting out with presentation of a draft budget to the Commission's Financial Planning Committee at their January 24th meeting.

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST COMMISSION MEETING – December 3, 2012

1. Denial of an out-of-cycle funding request from Golden Sierra Life Skills to provide life skills and parent education and support for 150 fathers - \$222,723.
2. Approval of an out-of-cycle funding request from the Sacramento Public Library Foundation to purchase a computer literacy station and create user friendly space for children ages 0-5 - \$7,525.
3. Contract authority for Robert's Family Development Center's (RFDC) College Bound Babies (CBB) which will provide a blend of school readiness, effective parenting and community building services for 50 children and their caregivers - \$132,804.
4. Contract amendment for Applied Survey Research to evaluate the RFDC-CBB program - \$29,050.
5. Contract with the Child Abuse Prevention Council to perform staff work related to reducing deaths of African American children 0-5 (Blue Ribbon Commission) - \$30,000.
6. Modification of the Commission's advance policy.
7. Cancellation of the January Commission meeting.

HIGHLIGHTS OF UPCOMING COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS – February 4, 2013

1. Approval to extend several contracts for a two-year period.
2. Comment on the Draft Fiscal Year 2013-14 Budget and Ten Year Financial Plan.
3. Annual review and consideration of changes to the Strategic Plan.
4. Approval of a revised policy related to administrative cost allocation methodology.
5. Approval to revise the out-of-cycle funding request protocol.

OTHER FIRST 5 UPDATES

1. Ada Arevalo will not be able to serve as an Alternate Commissioner. The vacancy has been announced and the Board is accepting applications.
2. The Children's Coalition has appointed Sofia Matrosova Khalil to serve as their representative for the First 5 Advisory Committee. Pending formal approval, Raymond Wilson will serve as the Public Health Advisory Committee's representative, replacing Mike Monasky.
3. Dr. Stacey Peerson from the Sacramento County Division of Mental Health will provide an overview presentation mental health concerns for children ages 0-5 at the December 14th Advisory Committee meeting.

HSCC Update

Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board

For December 13, 2012 Meeting

Now that Affordable Care Act preparations are a high priority in California, specialty clinics treating alcohol and other drug (AOD)-abusing or dependent individuals need to interface with primary care services. AOD service providers also need to form alliances with physicians, psychologists, and licensed social workers to better understand how to treat both adolescent and adult clients who have co-occurring disorders (i.e., both substance abuse and mental health needs) and avoid their over-medication.

It's important to collect *useful* data without burdening staff at service providers, and for the County to analyze and report results so the providers can improve their outcomes. For AOD prevention services, the federal Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) has come up with four standard measures for evaluating the effectiveness of prevention services. These are contained in CSAP's Substance Abuse Risk and Protective Factors Student Survey for grades 6-12 as well as in some other surveys: (1) Past 30-Day Use of alcohol, tobacco or marijuana (at least once), (2) Average Age of Onset (when first tried these substances), (3) Perception of Risk (percentage of survey respondents who report that *regular use* of these substances -- one or more drinks nearly every day or one or more packs of cigarettes a day -- *has moderate or great risk*, and (4) Perception of Parental Disapproval (percent who report their parents feel that *regular use* of alcohol -- or *any use* of cigarettes or marijuana -- is *wrong or very wrong*).

Legislative advocate Tom Renfree spoke at the December 12 Board meeting on State Realignment (Community Corrections Partnerships in each county as well as the future of State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs' services after the Governor's proposal to discontinue the Department next fiscal year). Clinical Counseling Coordinator Jody Jackson will address the Board on January 9, 2013, re her substance abuse treatment program at Dignity Health (formerly Mercy Medical).

December Report to the Human Services Coordinating Council

From the Sacramento County Children's Coalition

The Children's Coalition is primarily involved with the following issues at this time. As all of these issues are ongoing and lengthy in nature this report mirrors our November report.

Membership

We have had a healthy recruitment batch of five new members with two more on the way.

Oversight Committee Report

The Children's Protective Services Oversight Committee, a committee of the Children's Coalition, produced its annual report on systems issues which was presented to the County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday September 11. Follow up steps in regards to this report were outlined.

Children's Trust Fund Administration

Three agencies have been approved for funding during the next granting cycle, dollars stemming from County birth certificate dollars. Reports have been presented at Coalition meetings by the agencies currently funded under the existing RFP (WEAVE, Stanford Settlement, Kids First).

Children's Report Card

We are preparing for the next release of the Sacramento County Children's Report Card containing data outlining the state of children in the county. The membership for this effort is currently being recruited for and the first planning meeting was held during September. A number of innovate ideas are being discussed as to how to improve the distribution, reception and impact of the Report Card.

Re-envisioning the Coalition

We are actively looking into membership composition issues to better reflect the community. In addition we are exploring moving Coalition meetings to various sites within each supervisorial district allowing us to be more responsive to the community as well.