Minutes: Children and Families Commission Meeting

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Meeting Date, Time, and Location for Budget Workshop
Date: May 5, 2010
Time: Noon
Location: San Bernardino County Government Center
385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Citrus Room
San Bernardino, California

Debora Dickerson, Administrative Supervisor II and Karen Scott, Executive Director presented the 2010-2011 budget to the Commission.

Meeting Date, Time and Location for Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting
Date: May 5, 2010 – Agenda 05-2010
Time: Chair Gonzales called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.
Location: San Bernardino County Government Center
385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Board of Supervisors Chambers
San Bernardino, California

Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Gonzales.

Attendees
Commissioners Present
• Mark Daniels
• Leslie Egge
• Josie Gonzales, Chair
• Maxwell Ohikhuare, M.D.
• Nancy Ruth White

Staff Present
• Karen E. Scott, Executive Director
• Cindy Faulkner, Operations Manager
• Ann Calkins, Executive Assistant
• Staci Scranton, Supervising Office Assistant
• Debora Dickerson, Administrative Supervisor
• Miki Carpenter, Supervisor
• John Pi, Supervisor
• Regina Coleman, Commission Counsel
• Ronnie Robinson, Staff Analyst
• Ruth Griffin, Staff Analyst
Advisory Committee Chair, Leslie Egge reported the following:

The Advisory Committee met on March 18 to review the meeting schedule and discuss the formation of the Strategic Plan Review Workgroup and the Special Needs Workgroup. The committee decided to move the Advisory Committee and Workgroup Meetings from noon to 1:30 p.m. May's meeting will also be moved up one week, from May 20 to May 13. Meetings thereafter will return to being scheduled on the third Thursday of every other month.

The Strategic Plan Review Workgroup met on Friday, April 9 and decided to implement key terms used by other County Commissions and community partners in the Strategic Plan.

The Special Needs Workgroup met on Thursday, April 15 and discussed gaps in services, especially to Early Start. These changes are significantly impacting the delivery of occupational therapy and other services to infants and toddlers and their families in terms of access and referrals to occupational therapy, quality of services provided, and identification of infants and toddlers who need early intervention. For children under 3 respite care has been completely cut. Also discussed were significant barriers to services, including public transportation for special needs children; lack of services in the High Desert, Baker, and Yermo; or service providers unable to reach children in the Mountain areas, such as Big Bear or Wrightwood during snow season, and a lack of culturally specific services. The Special Needs Workgroup will meet again on Thursday, May 27 at noon.

Karen Scott, Executive Director, reported the following:

Save the Date
A Southern Regional Commissioner Workshop is being planned. Tentative dates are June 23 and July 8 with four additional dates to be determined.

Ms. Scott thanked the commission for attending the Budget Workshop held earlier today and for their input on the “Responsive Commission Initiative”.

Funding Opportunities
Availability of funding will be determined prior to releasing the first Community Investment funding opportunity. This item will be brought back for the commission

Letters will be mailed on Thursday and Friday for proposals not going forward.

Water Safety Summer Kick Off
A media event promoting children’s safety in and around water is scheduled for May 12, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Drayson Center, 25040 Stewart Street, Loma Linda. Contact Bonnie Woodrome from First 5 San Bernardino at 387-1515 for more information.

A motion was made by Commissioner Valenzuela and seconded by Commissioner Daniels to approve the following consent item:

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| 2       | Approve contract with Social Entrepreneurs, Inc. to serve as Sustainability Project Facilitator for First 5 San Bernardino (F5SB) for a total amount not to exceed $99,854 for consultant services effective upon approval through June 30, 2011. (Affected Districts: All) (Presenter: Ruth Griffin, Staff Analyst, 387-1525) 
Kelly A. Marschall, President and Sara Boxx from Social Entrepreneurs, Inc., were on hand to answer questions from the commissioners. 
A motion was made by Commissioner Valenzuela and seconded by Commissioner Egge to approve Item 2. With Commissioner Haugan absent and without further comment or objection, motion carried. |
| 3       | Approve Contract #IC019 with San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health in the amount not to exceed $552,078 annually to be used as a local match for MediCal Early, Periodic, Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) reimbursement for the Screening, Assessment, Referral and Treatment (SART) Model of Care for children ages 0-5 years commencing July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, with two one-year options. (Affected Districts: All) (Presenter: Cindy Faulkner, Operations Manager, 387-1504) 
Commissioner Ohikhuare abstained from Item 3 due to his department's involvement with Behavioral Health. 
A motion was made by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Valenzuela to approve Item 3. With Commissioner Haugan absent and without further comment or objection, motion carried. |

**Public Comment**
Lisa Dryan and Melody Amaral from The Wylie Center 
Dawn Van Wagenen, Inland Empire Perinatal Mental Health Collaborative 
Carol Melcher, Loma Linda Perinatal Services Network

**Commissioner Roundtable**
None

**Adjournment**
Without further comment or objection and with Commissioner Haugan absent, Chair Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

**Next Commission Meeting**
June 2, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. 
County of San Bernardino Government Center 
Board of Supervisors Chambers 
385 North Arrowhead Avenue 
San Bernardino, CA
Attest

Josie Gonzales, Chair

Ann M. Calkins, Commission Secretary