Orange County Children's Partnership (OCCP)

February 17, 2011 Minutes

In Attendance:

Mike Ryan, Frances Cadenas (D1), Marri Derby, Janis White, Karen Cianfrani, Rick Martin, Eric Handler, Talitha James, Torhon Barnes, Frank Ospino, Randy Pawloski, Kevin Haskins, Alyce Mastrianni, Shawne Marsh, Linda Smith, Maria Hernandez, Dana Stits, Chris Bieber, Russell Brammer, Mary Ann Soden

Introductions / Announcements: Randy Pawloski introduced Kevin Haskins, Assistant DA, who will be working with him on the OCCP.

Legislation/ budget update: The Governor has proposed a \$1 billion transfer now from county and state First 5 reserves then 50% of all revenue going forward. "Reserves" are not as they seem; many county have funded multi-year commitments. This proposal will impact existing programs and staffing. Orange County is advocating for local control of funds; these funds are one of the few allocations that provide equity for Orange County. This change will need a vote. Surveys show the voters continue to support funding early education and children.

Cal Optima: Health Families at risk; providers face a 10% cut; limitations on prescriptions. Cal Optima is trying to determine what to fund; currently watching and waiting.

Mike Ryan noted the decision that AB3632 does not cover the costs of room and board; the Department of Education will need to cover that cost.

ACTION ITEM: Review and approve minutes from the January 20, 2011 meeting. Minutes approved.

16th **Annual Report on the Conditions of Children:** Last call for reports – none requested.

The contract for the 17th report will start on April 22nd. The orientation for agency data staff is set for April 29th at 8:30 a.m. A notice will go out from CSUF. The data providers will receive a packet with their pages to review all past year's printed and affirm it is correct. Those pages and the certification will be due March 31st.

A table of Report topics for the Special Section and Discussion Topics was circulated. Lively discussion was held and the follow topics are put forth for consideration. In March, proposing members will advise regarding the data available for the topic. Decision on topics at the April OCCP meeting.

Special Section:

- Census 2010. Compare with 2000 census. How has OC changed? Use data to assess how the budget impact on services for youth has left the system struggling to keep up. Program closures result in lost resources. Highlight creative responses. (B. Steiner)
- Results from the Call to Action. Most goals tied to Healthy 2010; how did OCCP do in meeting their targets? Consider looking at that in 2012 with 5 years of effort.
- Domestic Violence
- Youth Substance abuse trends and impacts
- Child Abuse (E. Handler) Look at the contributors to child abuse; gaps in services, assets and goals for OC. Promote Center for Excellence in OC. Reference the model program in San Diego

Health

- Mental health in youth
- Health 2020
- Youth Substance Abuse trends and impacts
- Impact of Maternal Depression on child development (Linda Smith)
- Teen Suicide (mental health services are underutilized)
- *Medical Home* (importance for physical health)
- Disaster preparedness for Children (A national study for states and counties recently released. Dr. Handler will provide to OCCP. What is the plan for dependent and delinquent youth in out of home care, also special needs youth. Regional Center has a plan)

Economic Well being

• Workforce development for youth.

Educational Achievement

- High School Completion
- Mentoring
- Summer and Day Camps

Safe Homes

- Collaborative Courts (look at Drug, Girls and Boys)
- Gang intervention: GRIP program data and outcomes

High School Completion Committee: Rick Martin reported that Alicia Berhow will attend a future meeting.

The Superintendent reviewed the proposed High School Promise and suggested that the focus should start with 8th Graders. Perhaps an 8th and 9th grade Promise. Consider the Governor's on line Pledge for youth fitness.

With Promise the OCCP could provide awards or incentives for the youth to keep their Promise. Discussion on the commitment of youth to a "promise." Maybe there is a better word.

Goals for 2011 distributed. Please review. At the March 2011 meeting, each agency should be ready to discuss how their agency will help support these goals.

Frances noted that the OCCP was developed to look at how all agencies can impact the shared goal of High School Completion for OC youth. Not just a job for OCDE. We should identify the linkages in the HS Promise to different agencies so all are influencing the outcomes.

Rick Martin 10 Educational Commandments can be trained and applied in all agencies.

Alyce encouraged the sharing of national models: Harlem Children's Zone, Promise Neighborhoods etc. How can we move forward as a community to mobilize these types of partnerships.

Child Abuse Prevention Roundtable: Russell Brammer reported that there is a new tool for pregnant and parenting moms: text Baby or BEBE to receive free tips a few times a week. Shawne Marsh noted that Cal Optima has a contract so all mother's in their programs will get this service.

Parents Anonymous National has launched a parent support line from 10 .a.m. to 7 p.m. Any parent can call to get support.

The Roundtable is forming up. Recent meeting discussed the budget at state and county and raised the question of how CBO's can be a voice in program design/evaluation before an RFP or contract is issued. Mike asked members to discuss how their agency's have gathered community stakeholders prior to contract development.

Russell supported Dr. Handler's comments on a Center for Excellence. A similar comprehensive, residential resource was available in Dallas Texas. Russell will bring information to the March meeting.

General Committee Member Comments: Mike Ryan restated his desire for the OCCP to be an active group. At the March 2011 meeting, there will be a discussion and focus on the OCCP goals. Dr. Handler concurred and noted that with focus and efforts we can attract private dollars to support key needs, example the Medical Officer for OCDE. That was achieved in two years.

Dr. Handler suggested that the OCCP Principles and their designees should meet to discuss the Conditions Report and OCCP goals. Alyce M. suggested a retreat format might be useful.

Mike Ryan stated that at the March meeting there would be time to plan for a retreat with Department Heads.

Linda Smith reported that the FSN was acknowledged and received an award at the Parent Leadership Conference. They have received over 500 referrals.

Mary Ann Soden advised that the FaCT Conference is scheduled for May 24, 2011 and will focus on Strengthening Families: the Five Protective Factors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: At this time members of the public were informed that they could address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter of this committee's authority, provided that no action be taken on off agenda items unless authorized by law.

NEXT MEETING: March 17, 2011