

FIRST 5 KERN

KERN COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Monday, September 15, 2008
2724 L Street
Bakersfield, California

Minutes

COMMITTEE CONVENED @ 10:05 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Present Commissioners: Audelo, Goh, Committee Members: Brandt, Burns, Choi, Cook, Monsibias, Puckett, Thal, and Wasson

Absent Committee Members: Christman, Cloud, Gordon, Nilon, Wood and Woody

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Chairperson's Report and Report from the Commission
 - Commissioner Audelo reported on the Medically Vulnerable Infant Program (MVIP) Workgroup meeting of Thursday, September 11, 2008. Commissioner Audelo reported that the Task Force has scheduled an additional meeting October 9, 2008, to address the gaps within the MVIP program and other programs that serve infants being discharged from the hospital that are considered to be in need of support services.
- 2) Committee Members:
 - Committee Member Choi distributed flyers and reported that the California Children's Services would have an open house celebrating the opening of its new Medical Unit. Committee member Choi reported the event is scheduled September 17, 2008, at 820 34th Street, Suite 101, at 3:00 P.M. and invited all to attend.
 - Committee Member Cook reported that she attended the 2008 Our Diverse World Conference addressing services to multicultural and biracial children and families sponsored by First 5 Kings County. Committee Member Cook reported that she thoroughly enjoyed the conference and thanked staff for distributing the information making it possible for her to attend.
 - Committee Member Puckett reported on the Developmental Profile 3 (DP-3) interpretive report in child development by Gerald D. Alpern, Ph.D., which is designed to aid in screening, diagnosis, treatment planning, and communication with parents.

- 3) Interim Executive Director's Report
- Mr. Rhoades reported that Wendy Wayne has submitted a letter of resignation as the Executive Director of First 5 Kern.
 - Mr. Rhoades thanked the TAC for its dedication and time.
 - Mr. Rhoades reported that First 5 Kern and the Children's Health Initiative (CHI) will sponsor a healthy kids day at the Kern County Fair, Wednesday, September 17, 2008. Mr. Rhoades stated there would be an exhibit area, food, games and a Nintendo Wii giveaway.
 - Mr. Rhoades report that First 5 Kern's next Contractor Gathering has been scheduled for October 15, 2008, 9:00 A.M., at the University Square, 2000 K Street.
 - Mr. Rhoades distributed the latest edition of First 5 Kern's Handprints.
 - Mr. Rhoades reported that First 5 Kern is conducting a Site Visit Preparation Training for all contractors on Wednesday, September 24, 2008, at the offices of the Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance, located at 601 California Ave. Mr. Rhoades reported that the training will be offered in the morning from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and again in the afternoon from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. For those interested in attending please call the First 5 Kern office to reserve seating.
 - Mr. Rhoades gave an update on the State Budget.
 - Mr. Rhoades reminded the TAC of the October 1, 2008, Commission meeting.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 4) No one was heard.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 5) Minutes of August 18, 2008 meeting – APPROVED
Motion by Committee Member Wasson
Second by Committee Member Choi
All Ayes

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- 6) School Readiness Initiative (SRI) Update
- Kimberly Shipp, Senior Program Officer gave an update on the recent activities of the School Readiness Initiative which included the services that the 13 school districts provide; a synopsis of the varying milestones for the SRI; county wide SRI total numbers reported within the Milestones and responded to questions.
- 7) Continued Discussion on the Request For Proposals and Contract Processes - TAC

- The TAC continued its discussion to open the request for proposals and on contract processes. After an active discussion the TAC came to a consensus that they would ask the Commission for direction.

ADJOURNMENT

8) Adjourned to Monday, October 20, 2008, 10:00 A.M.