



Modoc County Children & Families Commission
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March 13, 2019
ADOPTED MINUTES

Members of the Commission met for a Public Hearing and Regular Meeting at Early Head Start at 5:33 p.m. Vice Chair Schulz called meeting to order pursuant to law.

Call to Order & Flag Salute

Members Present

Tanya Schulz – Vice Chair
Edward Richert, MD
Alice Lybarger
De Funk
Melissa Channell

Public Present

None

Staff Present

Nicole Hinton

Public Hearing and Regular Meeting

Public Comment

None

Item 1 Approve/Disapprove Minutes from the January 9, 2019 Regular Public Meeting

Commissioner Richert motioned to approve the January 9, 2019 minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Funk. Motion carries with 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 abstention by Commissioner Channell.

Item 2 Discussion Commence with Strategic Plan Process

Executive Director Hinton provided an Overview of Materials outline. Ms. Hinton explained each item would be reviewed followed by clarify questions and discussion.

a) Review Financial Resources

General discussion followed regarding the Commissions current financial condition and stability.

b) Review required legislation from Proposition 10

The Commission reviewed the Health & Safety Code requirements for County Commissions.

c) First 5 California Strategic Plan Direction

The Commission reviewed the current First 5 California Strategic Plan and the 2019 draft Strategic Plan. Ms. Hinton explained the supplemental information she prepared including the alignment table comparing First 5 California areas and goals to First 5 Modoc.

d) Summary of Community Survey Results and Needs Assessments

The Commission reviewed the assessments and the prepared summary. General discussion followed about the significant issues identified including:

- Limited medical providers in our area

- Lack of transportation to out of County services
- High exposure to domestic violence/drugs
- High SIDS risks observed by home visiting nurses
- Smoking during pregnancy and lack of cessation
- Dental and obesity issues
- 43.4% decrease in care slots since 2008
- Lack of affordable care and workforce

e) Present current First 5 Modoc focus areas

The Commission reviewed First 5 Modoc’s current Strategic Plan. Ms. Hinton noted some word changes to reflect those used by First 5 California, including change focus area to priority area. Commissioner Lybarger noted her title be changed and the addition of Commissioner Hoy.

f) Vision-Practical picture of desired future

Ms. Hinton facilitated the discussion using the Future Protocol tool. Commissioners were asked to formulate objectives for their “future” five year timeline. Formulation of objectives was followed by identifying current obstacles/indicators. The tables below represent the constructive group discussion and notes, which have been summarized and categorized into four identified priority areas–

Priority Area 1: Improved Child Health

Objectives for 2020-2025	Current Obstacles/Indicators (2019)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build Workforce Capacity – Medical Providers • Oral Health Prevention Education • Child Self-Advocacy • Well Rounded Nutrition/Health Education (What’s my kid eating?) • Obesity/Nutrition Access • Recapture Breastfeeding Rates/Education • Improved Collaboration with Systems (esp. CPS) • PREVENTION and EDUCATION (esp. Nutrition, Oral Health and Trauma) • Policies for Screenings and Assessments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Violence, Drug Abuse and Mental Health(Generational) • Technology, Social Media (Device Parenting, Cyber Bullying) • Parents Not Engaging • Unskilled/Poor Parenting Practices • Historical Parenting Practices (Values, Misinformation) • Financial Obstacles, Homelessness and Poverty (Low SES) • Lack of Resources, Countywide • Staff retention, Unskilled workforce • Multi-familial homes

Priority Area 2: Improved Child Development

Objectives for 2020-2025	Current Obstacles/Indicators (2019)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build Workforce Capacity • Encourage Play Environments (i.e. dance/art/Montessori) • Child Self-Advocacy • Increase Care Slots for 3-4, infant/toddler 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology and Social Media (Device Parenting, Cyber Bullying) • Parents Not Engaging • Unskilled/Poor Parenting Practices

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved Collaboration with Systems (esp. CPS) • PREVENTION and EDUCATION (esp. Nutrition, Oral Health and Trauma) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical Parenting Practices (Values, Misinformation) • Financial Obstacles, Homelessness and Poverty (Low SES) • Lack of Resources, Countywide • Staff retention, Unskilled workforce • Multi-familial homes
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Priority Area 3: Improved Family Functioning

Objectives for 2020-2025	Current Obstacles/Indicators (2019)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to Parent Growth Classes • Improve Family Functioning, Parent Mentors (Peer to Peer) • Increase Involvement/Engagement • Improved Collaboration with Systems (esp. CPS) • PREVENTION and EDUCATION (esp. Nutrition, Oral Health and Trauma) • Build Cultural Competence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Violence, Drug Abuse and Mental Health(Generational) • Suicide Prevalence/Trauma (Family/Community) • Technology and Social Media (Device Parenting, Cyber Bullying) • Parents Not Engaging • Unskilled/Poor Parenting Practices • Historical Parenting Practices (Values, Misinformation) • Financial Obstacles, Homelessness and Poverty (Low SES) • Lack of resources, countywide • Staff retention, Unskilled workforce • Multi-familial homes • Lack of Cultural Competence

Priority Area 4: Improved Systems of Care

Objectives for 2020-2025	Current Obstacles/Indicators (2019)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build Workforce Capacity • Improved Collaboration with Systems (esp. CPS) • PREVENTION and EDUCATION (esp. Nutrition, Oral Health and Trauma) • Policies for Screenings and Assessments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unskilled/Poor Parenting Practices • Historical Parenting Practices (Values, Misinformation) • Financial Obstacles, Homelessness and Poverty (Low SES) • Lack of Resources, countywide • Staff retention, Unskilled workforce

Presentation/Reports

Commission Report:

None

Staff Report:

Executive Director Hinton reported Letters of Intent had been received; approximately \$224,350 in requested funds. Ms. Hinton reported Commissioner Cullins spoke to her on a previous occasion in regards to the Executive Director position's exempt status. Ms. Hinton spoke to the Commission about conducting an informal desk audit. Discussion was held about Administrative Exempt Status and past personnel practices. Ms. Hinton noted she would bring information back at May meeting. Ms. Hinton read correspondence sent to the Modoc County Auditor Ms. Wellemeyer regarding Accrued Unfunded Liability deductions taken in January and February. Ms. Hinton reported on collaborative efforts, trainings attended and those upcoming. Ms. Hinton gave an update on the F5CA Northwest Region SAMSHA I/ECMH implementation and noted she is actively seeking a funding stream. Ms. Hinton gave an overview of her visit to TEACH, Inc. Budding Tree Preschool.

Correspondence:

None

Fiscal

a) December 2018

b) January 2019

Ms. Hinton stated fiscal was in order. She noted budget modifications would be brought to the fiscal sub-committee in May.

Announcement of the next Public Hearing & Regular Meeting

Date: May 8, 2019

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Early Head Start

Adjournment

Time: 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Chair Cullins
