

MENDOCINO COUNTY POLICY COUNCIL ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH and Child Abuse Prevention Commission

March 26, 2003

Minutes

Members	Present	Non-Member Participants
Steve Lund – Representative from Superintendent’s Council		Jim Brown, Probation
Kevin Broin - Sheriff Department	X	Joan Rousseau, Mental Health
Patti Campbell - Board of Supervisors	X	Stan Janieak, NCO Head Start
Damon Dickinson - Special Education Local Plan Agency	X	Linda Nagel, Public Health
Alison Glassey - Social Services	X	Anne Molgaard, First 5 Mendocino
Marta Hernandez – Representative Latino Coalition	X	Vanessa Ignacio, Action Network
Dennis Ivey – Associate Superintendent, MCOE	X	Javier Chavez, Action Network
Janet Larson – Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prev. Commission	X	Roxanna Usher, MCDSS
Lois Lockhart – Native American Representative	X	Lori Lundquist, MCDSS
Cindee Mayfield - Juvenile Court Judge		
Bob McAlister - Probation Department		
Carol Mordhorst - Public Health Director		
Beth Martinez - Mental Health		
Ned Walsh – Administrator, AODP		
Karin Wandrei - Director, Youth Project	X	
Mary Nevarez – Redwood Valley Reservation, ICWA	X	
John Knapp, Alliance for Rural Community Health		
Camille Schraeder-Child Abuse Prevention Council	X	
Moises Soria, MCDSS/Nuestra Casa	X	

Open Meeting – 2:35 pm

Alison Glassey filled in for the absent Chair and Vice Chair. The meeting was held in the Department of Social Services’ Big Sur Conference Room because of a video conferencing conflict at MCOE.

- Introductions
- February 26, 2003 Minutes were reviewed. In the future there will be one set of minutes.

The Child Abuse Prevention Commission minutes were reviewed. No changes were noted.

Motion was made to approve the February 26, 2003 Minutes. Seconded. Approved.

The Policy Council on Children and Youth minutes had two revisions noted by Damon Dickinson and Linda Nagel.

Motion was made to approve the February 26, 2003 Minutes with corrections. Seconded. Approved.

- The Agenda for March 26, 2003 was reviewed. From now on, there will be only one agenda for the PCCY and the Child Abuse Prevention Commission. There were no changes or additions noted.

Child Abuse Prevention Commission Business

- **Child Abuse Prevention Month - Roxanna**

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Roxanna prepared a press release and a public service announcement for the event. Drafts were distributed for review and comment. A couple of additions/corrections were noted; spelling out the full name of the group and providing the phone number for reporting child abuse. Roxanna also distributed flyers for each agency to post.

The Fetal Alcohol Conference planned by Frank Gonzales has been postponed until August. While the Coast Child Abuse Prevention Council will not be doing the "Family Affair," they will still be doing fingerprinting. Alison commented that April is a good time for the family resource centers to have an open house but, as time is short, thought it might be something to plan for next year.

- **Inventory of Children's Programs in Mendocino County**

Roxanna handed out a chart of programs for children, youth and families. This is a quick list she managed to generate in about five minutes of services and programs available and to show where they stand in the budget. She is hoping to send it out for others to complete their portions. Another group is performing a similar survey, focusing mainly on budget impacts. Roxanna will send out a blank chart for members to fill out. Return the completed tables to Roxanna who will then turn them over to the other group.

- **Status Report**

The changes to the report from the last meeting have been made. Anne Molgaard of Mendocino County's First Five asked that an acknowledgement be inserted for them for not putting out a second document, just adding to the Status Report. As the PCCY agreed with that, the report will be sent to the County General Services for printing.

Policy Council Business

- **Membership/By-Laws**

It was suggested that some of the unfilled positions be changed from specific to "Community at Large" seats. The positions are not mandated by statute. The seats are listed in the By-Laws under Article VI. Membership. They are: 20. An additional superintendent of a unified school district within the county. [Nominated by the Superintendents Council]; 21 An additional representative of a private nonprofit corporation. [Nominated by the PCCY]; 22 A representative of the Ministerial Association; 24 A representative of acute care hospitals in the county; 25 A representative of the Youth Advisory Council; and 26 An additional representative of the Youth Advisory Council. There was discussion of somehow keeping the intent of the positions and reducing the number of "At-Large" positions to four (4) in the By-Laws. The By-Laws will be re-written with the changes, distributed (more than two weeks prior to the meeting) for review, to be voted upon at the next meeting.

- Meeting Dates

The meeting date for the Policy Council on Children and Youth was changed to Wednesday. However, there are some conflicts that prevent members from attending on Wednesdays. After some discussion of dates, it was decided to send out the survey once more and to determine the meeting dates from the results. The April meeting will be scheduled based on the survey results.

Standing Committees and Affiliated Committee/Programs

- Children's Health Committee

Linda Nagel brought the Children's Health Committee recommendation that the PCCY support AB 1062 and make the support known to the Board of Supervisors. This bill is an attempt to streamline and increase access to health care for children and youth.

Motion that the Policy Council on Children and Youth take AB 1062 to Mendocino County Board of Supervisors, requesting the Board's support of AB 1062. Seconded. Approved

Coordinated Children Services Plan

Roxanna made packets for each of the different components of the Coordinated Children's Services Plan. The Council broke into groups to work on completing these packets/action plans. At the end of the session, the groups reported on what they had accomplished. Roxanna will incorporate the changes into the Plan and will e-mail or mail the revised Plan out to all members.

It was also decided that this process will be repeated at the next meeting. If you have any changes in the interim, direct them to each group facilitator.

Adjourn – 4:00 pm