

new Plan and to decide upon its focus for the current year and the following two years. The PCCY/CAPC plans to move forward with this task through facilitated work groups as the single activity of today's meeting. Sue Haun, who is a local consultant, facilitated, with the help of five other volunteers.

(Anne Molgaard arrived at 2:13 p.m.)

Sue explained that the five priority topic areas from last year that are being used to focus for this year are: Education; Adolescent Services/Juvenile Justice; Recreation/After School Programs/Child Care/Substitute Care; Family and Children's Services; and Substance Abuse Treatment/Health Services/Mental Health.

Sue then explained that today's process will be that each focus topic will have a breakout group with a facilitator in that breakout group. In each breakout group there will be a worksheet where each individual will have a chance to choose what areas are most important to them. The facilitator will take those individual areas of importance and condense them into five common areas of importance. Then someone from each of the breakout groups will report to the top five agreed upon areas. Then those who are present will vote on which of those priority areas should be used in the Three-Year Plan.

Those present broke into focus groups. Then one person from each group reported the top five agreed upon measures for each focus area.

Steve Lund reported for the Education workgroup. The top five were:

- Behavior management systems/strategies that reduce incidents of suspensions, expulsions, and visits to the principal's office.
- Increase educational opportunities/options to include access to Voc. Ed, the Arts, Cultural Awareness, and Second Language Course Work for K-12.
- Increase retention rates for beginning teachers and Administrators.
- Improve/Increase attendance.
- Increase parent connections/Education opportunities

Cathy Frey reported for the Substance Abuse Treatment/Health Services/Mental Health workgroup. The top five were:

- Every child in Mendocino County has a medical home and health insurance that also covers mental health treatment and substance abuse treatment.
- Treatment for all adolescent youth
- Increase in prevention and intervention activities for children and youth, i.e. after school care, mental activities, peer counseling, etc.
- Increased number of children being raised in homes that are free of substance abuse, abuse, and neglect.
- Decrease in children prenatally exposed to tobacco, drugs, alcohol, and increase in coordinated services to meet the needs of prenatally exposed children.

Dianne Lawrence reported for the Recreation/After School Programs/Child Care/Substitute Care workgroup. The top five were:

- Children have more of a positive connection to the community.
- Decrease in negative behavior
 - Substance abuse
 - Referral to Probation
 - Gang activities
 - Juvenile delinquency
 - Truancy

- Increased number of childcare and recreation programs.
- Non traditional hours of care
- Inclusive and culturally diverse
- Measurable standards
- Mentors
- Increased education, salaries, benefits, and training for child and youth workers.
- All children are recognized as assets and are valued
 - Less prejudiced and more cultural acceptance

Tami Mee reported for the Family and Children's Services workgroup. The top five were:

- A countywide network of family resource centers with all services that families might need.
- Decrease in new/repeat detentions in families.
- More specialized services delivered/available at school campuses – available on demand.
- Parent support groups or hotline for parents/kids with urgent issues.
- Bilingual/Bicultural services – Latinos/Native Americans

Karin Wandrei reported for the Adolescent Services/Juvenile Justice workgroup. The top five were:

- Expand treatment opportunities for youth involved in the juvenile justice system.
- Increase employment opportunities for youth and young adults.
- Develop local alternatives to CYA and increase adult mentors for these teens.
- Increase community service opportunities for teens.
- Increase restorative justice options including teaching conflict management and communication skills.

All of the priorities from each group were then brought together for everyone present to vote on. Everyone was given ten votes. The top six voted for priorities, with the number of votes they received, were:

1. Increase in prevention and intervention activities for children and youth, i.e. after school care, mental activities, peer counseling, etc. – 15 votes
2. Increased number of childcare and recreation programs – 14 votes
 - Non traditional hours of care
 - Inclusive and culturally diverse
 - Measurable standards
 - Mentors
3. Increase employment opportunities for youth and young adults – 13 votes
4. Every child in Mendocino County has a medical home and health insurance that also covers mental health treatment and substance abuse treatment – 12 votes
5. Behavior management systems/strategies that reduce incidents of suspensions, expulsions, and visits to the principal's office – 10 votes
6. Increase restorative justice options including teaching conflict management and communication skills – 10 votes

(Camille Schraeder arrived at 3:47 p.m.)

It was decided that at the next meeting we should take the top six priorities, figure the responsibilities that PCCY/CAPC have, and what policies may be impacted, and then move forward with the Three-Year Plan.

- **Announcements, Grant and Funding Information, Other Business and Public Testimony**
 - Deferred to June 15, 2007

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Approved Unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:54 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 15, 2007; 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.