



SUTTER COUNTY CHILDREN & FAMILIES  
COMMISSION  
COMMISSION MEETING  
February 17, 2021

The Sutter County Children & Families Commission held a regular meeting on the above date at 3:30 p.m. virtually.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Ziegenmeyer called the meeting to order at 3:36 p.m. and requested the roll call.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Mike Ziegenmeyer, Tonya Byers, Nancy O'Hara (3:50 p.m.), Nicole Ritner, Dr. Carolyn Patton, and Doreen Osumi

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Mat Gulbrandsen, Tom Reusser, and Brad McIntire

**STAFF PRESENT:** Michele Blake, Executive Director and Julie Price, Executive Secretary

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**WELCOME NEW COMMISSIONERS**

New Commission Chairman Mike Ziegenmeyer, Sutter County Supervisor District 3 and Commissioner Nicole Ritner, Sutter County Chief of Probation were introduced.

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**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

**1) Strengthening SCCFC's Evaluation System: Persimmony 2020-2021**

Michele Blake, Executive Director introduced Lisa Colvig-Niclai, Applied Survey Research. Ms. Colvig-Niclai provided the Commission with a presentation of new evaluation measures implemented for FY 2020/2021 Commission funded programs.

Commissioners discussed the importance of a strong data system to capture data effectively for Commission funded programs and services.

**2) ACEs Aware Communications Grant: Sutter County Video Screening**

Ms. Blake noted ACEs Aware funding received from the California Surgeon General's Office for developing communications strategies around ACEs. Ms. Blake introduced Kary Hauck, Sapphire Marketing Group to present Sutter ACEs Aware video productions. Digital marketing of the videos will run March through May. Ms. Hauck also shared printed materials created for medical professionals.

Ms. Blake noted Erica Melchor, Commission staff, has been working with community medical professionals to highlight the awareness of ACEs and the importance of becoming a certified medical provider to provide the ACEs screening and the opportunity to bill health insurance for the ACEs screening conducted.

Commissioner O'Hara joined.

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## **ACTION ITEMS – Discussion and Possible Approval**

### **3) Approval to Authorize a Name Change for the Sutter County Children & Families Commission Bright Futures Program to Help Me Grow Sutter**

Ms. Blake referenced the staff report contained in the meeting packet. Ms. Blake provided the Commission with an overview of the Sutter County Bright Futures program and the Commission's affiliation with Help Me Grow. Ms. Blake noted aligning the program name more closely to other First 5's, the state and national level would be beneficial for potential state funding opportunities. Ms. Blake also noted potential confusion with the current program name as Bright Futures is also an American Academy of Pediatrics program.

On motion of Commissioner Osumi, seconded by Commissioner Byers, Chairman Ziegenmeyer called for a roll call vote that carried as follows: AYES: Commissioners Byers, Ritner, Ziegenmeyer, O'Hara, Patton, Osumi; ABSTAIN: None; NOES: None; ABSENT: Gulbrandsen, McIntire, Reusser; the Commission approved the name change for the Sutter County Children & Families Commission Bright Futures program to Help Me Grow Sutter.

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## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

On motion of Commissioner Patton, seconded by Commissioner Byers, Chairman Ziegenmeyer called for a roll call vote that carried as follows: AYES: Commissioners Ziegenmeyer, Byers, Ritner, Patton, O'Hara, Osumi; ABSTAIN: None; NOES: None; ABSENT: McIntire, Glubrandsen, Reusser; the Commission approved the Consent Calendar, as follows:

### **4) Approval of the minutes for the December 2, 2020 meeting**

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## **DIRECTORS REPORT**

### **ACEs Aware Round 2 Trauma-Informed Network of Care recipient**

Ms. Blake noted the Commission was selected to receive \$233,200 from the California Surgeon General's office and the California Department of Healthcare Services for an additional 6-months of work for a network of care planning grant to continue further work within the community around ACEs.

## **COVID-19 updates**

Ms. Blake noted the Commission's continued assistance to families through the COVID-19 Emergency Response fund. The fund is provided in partnership with the Yuba City Education Foundation. Ms. Blake noted work with the Sutter County Health Officer to assist eligible childcare providers with obtaining COVID-19 vaccinations and to providing messaging around the importance of vaccination to early childhood educators.

### **Community Distribution**

Ms. Blake noted an essential supplies distribution that was held for childcare providers in partnership with Child Care Planning Council of Yuba & Sutter Counties and Fist 5 Yuba February 16<sup>th</sup>. The Commission will be conducting an oral health resources distribution on February 25<sup>th</sup> open to all Sutter County families with children ages 0-5.

### **Packard Foundation Digital Divide**

Ms. Blake noted the continued distribution of digital tools such as, Chromebooks, tablets, and internet hot spots for childcare providers of Sutter County children ages 0-5 who are other relatives, friends, or neighbors.

### **ASQ-4 Study Participation**

Ms. Blake noted the Commission was selected to participate in a study for the upcoming Brooks Publishing ASQ-4 developmental assessment. Individuals that volunteer to complete additional developmental questions can receive an incentive through Brooks Publishing.

### **IMPACT/Calming Kits**

In partnership with Child Care Planning Council of Yuba & Sutter Counties, calming kits will be distributed to childcare centers and providers. Kits contain tools to assist with children's emotional and self-regulation skills.

### **Imagination Library**

Ms. Blake referenced the program report contained in the meeting packet.

### **Ready4K**

Ms. Blake referenced the program report contained in the meeting packet. Ms. Blake also noted messaging will now focus on trauma informed care as well as local resource information.

### **Long-Term Remote Work update**

Ms. Blake noted successful remote work continues for Commission staff. Ms. Blake also noted the Sutter County Board of Supervisors approved the sublease for Child Welfare Services to utilize the Commission's Bute House Road office space.

### **Caregiver Café**

Ms. Blake noted the Café have been initiated again in partnership with First 5 Yuba and Child Care Planning Council of Yuba & Suter Counties. The café provides a networking and structured discussion opportunity utilizing Strengthening Families principles for parents and caregivers of young children.

### **Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Steering Committee**

Ms. Blake was asked to participate in the committee. The committee's focus is to better integrate systems within the health and human services department.

### **Surgeon General's Report "Road Map for Resilience"**

Ms. Blake referenced the report contained in the meeting packet and noted the alignment with the Commission's ACEs Aware initiatives and understanding the importance of growing networks of care.

### **Masterplan for Early Learning Care**

Ms. Blake noted the plan contained in the meeting packet. The plan highlights the importance of paid family leave, childcare and early learning workforce development, and free preschool opportunities.

### **Save the Date**

Ms. Blake asked Commissioner's to save the date for March 13<sup>th</sup> for an Implicit Bias training with Dr. Rosemary Allen provided in partnership with Child Care Planning Council of Yuba & Sutter Counties at their Spring Conference held virtually. Also, First 5 California's Dia de los Ninos/Dia de los Libros event on April 30<sup>th</sup> held virtually on Facebook.

### **Program Reports**

Ms. Blake referenced program reports contained in the meeting packet.

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### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was received.

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business coming before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

By:

Julie Price  
Executive Secretary

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