



SUTTER COUNTY CHILDREN & FAMILIES
COMMISSION
COMMISSION MEETING
January 19, 2022

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

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairwoman Byers called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m. and requested the roll call.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mike Ziegenmeyer, Marc Boomgaarden, Tonya Byers, Nicole Ritner, Dr. Carolyn Patton, Mat Gulbrandsen, and Doreen Osumi

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Tom Reusser, Shawne Corley

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public comment was received.

ACTION ITEM

1) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCING MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF SUTTER COUNTY CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION PURSUANT TO BROWN ACT PROVISIONS DUE TO A STATE OF EMERGENCY (MT3860)

Michele Blake, Executive Director, referenced the staff report and resolution included in the meeting packet authorizing the remote teleconferencing meetings of the legislative body of the Sutter County Children & Families Commission pursuant to the Brown Act provisions due to a state of emergency.

On motion of Commissioner Ziegenmeyer, seconded by Commissioner Gulbrandsen, Vice Chairwoman Byers called for a roll call vote that carried as follows: AYES: Commissioners Ziegenmeyer, Byers, Ritner, Osumi, Gulbrandsen, Boomgaarden, Patton; ABSTAIN: None; NOES: None; ABSENT: Reusser, Corley; the Commission approved the adoption of a resolution authorizing remote teleconferencing meetings of the legislative body of Sutter County Children & Families Commission pursuant to Brown Act provisions due to a state of emergency.

Special Presentations

2) FY 2020-2021 Sutter County Children & Families Commission Funded Programs Evaluation Report

Lisa Colvig-Niclai and Liat Sayfan, Applied Survey Research (ASR), provided a presentation on evaluation results for FY 20-21 Commission funded programs. The complete evaluation report was included in the meeting packet.

In response to a question from Commissioner Patton regarding the FLIP program classes, Staci Howell, FLIP Program Coordinator, noted FLIP classes are held in-person with a caregiver in-attendance with the child.

Commissioner Byers thanked the ASR team for the comprehensive work and highlighting Commission grantee successes in the community.

Commissioner Boomgaarden acknowledged all the work conducted by Commission staff and grantees.

Ms. Blake noted the Commission funded program Born Learning coordinated by the Yuba Sutter Colusa Untied Way was unable to be conducted in the FY 20-21 fiscal year due to the program model utilizing school sites while being conducted face-to-face. Ms. Blake also noted Commission funded Mentor & Me classes facilitated by Mindful Youth Adventures were unable to be conducted as the program was unable to utilize the Sutter County Library due to the library being closed for remodeling.

3) 2021 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Report

Ms. Colvig-Niclai presented evaluation results of the 2021 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment, a full report was contained in the meeting packet.

Ms. Blake noted the value in the assessment and previous findings from the 2018 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment provided framework for the Commission's Strategic Plan.

In response to a question from Ms. Blake, Ms. Colvig-Niclai noted in 2018 9% of families experienced homelessness and in 2021 10% of families reported they experienced homelessness.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Commissioner Ritner, seconded by Commissioner Gulbrandsen, Vice Chairwoman Byers called for a roll call vote that carried as follows: AYES: Commissioners Byers, Ritner, Osumi, Gulbrandsen, Boomgaarden, Patton; ABSTAIN: Ziegenmeyer; NOES: None; ABSENT: Reusser, Corley; the Commission approved the Consent Calendar, as follows:

4) Approval of the minutes for the October 27, 2021 meeting

DIRECTORS REPORT

In the Community report

Ms. Blake noted the following community events that are supported by the Commission:

- Help Me Grow – Ms. Blake noted the Help Me Grow event scheduled for January 20th has been cancelled due to the rising COVID-19 cases in the community. Future Help Me Grow events will be held February 10th at Boyd Hall, March 10th at Ettl Hall, April 21st at Live Oak Head Start and May 12th at Mahal Plaza.
- Child Development Behavioral Specialist- Positive Discipline workshops are currently being conducted. A teen parent workshop is scheduled for February and a childcare provided workshop is scheduled for March.
- Read for the Record- was held in October the virtual storytime was posted on the Commission’s Facebook page and YouTube channel.
- Backpack Presentation- Help Me Grow staff conducted a developmental backpack presentation for the Panther Parent Meets at Park Avenue school.
- Live Oak Holiday event- Commission staff participated in and provided information on programs & services at the Live Oak holiday event on December 3rd.
- Caregiver Café- Commission staff conducted a Caregiver Café on December 8th at the Sutter County Museum.
- Drive-Thru Holiday Craft event- Commission staff provided holiday family craft kits at a drive thru event on December 15th.
- Car Seat Safety Presentation- Commission staff provide a car seat safety presentation on January 19th to Head Start families. Ms., Blake also noted the Commission has applied for a child safety seat grant with California Office of Traffic Safety.
- Kids Club event- January 29th Commission staff will participate by providing a children’s activity at the Kids Club event at the Yuba Sutter Marketplace.
- Dental Distribution event- Commission staff will be participating in a dental supplies and resources distribution event on February 17th in partnership with Sutter County Public Health. Pediatric oral health assessments will also be provided via Commission partners.
- Sponsorships update- Commission provided sponsorships to the following events: December 13th, children’s area at Downtown Yuba City Christmas Stroll & February 26th Yuba City Education Foundation Have a Heart Kids 5k Run
- Diaper Distribution- Commission is planning to conduct another drive-thru diaper distribution at the end of February.
- COVID Emergency Funds- Commission is continuing to support families with needs related to the COVID-19 pandemic and recovery. Ms. Blake noted a proposal for American Rescue Plan funds to the County Administrator’s office. The Commission and its partners have asked for the first 5% for the first 5 years. Funds will provide direct support for childcare providers, funds to support early childhood mental health and behavioral health, childcare vouchers and assistance for working families and funds for stabilization of the 0-5 systems in Sutter County. Chairman Ziegenmeyer noted he sits on the Ad Hoc committee for the American Rescue Plan funds and will be bring back information once the meeting take place.

Program Reports

Ms. Blake noted the ACEs Aware of Network Grant report and Sutter County was invited to present the work conducted at the celebration event at the state level. Ms. Blake also noted various sector specific trauma informed care workshops facilitated by Becky Haas have been conducted and the implementation of the Handle with Care initiative will begin.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Boomgaarden noted the City of Yuba City is providing a workshop on accessing and applying CARES Act and American Rescue Plan funding on January 25th.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business coming before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

By:
Julie Price
Executive Secretary