

Minutes: Children and Families Commission Meeting

Date, time, location

January 10, 2024

3:30 p.m.

735 E. Carnegie Drive, Suite 150, San Bernardino, CA 92408/Commission Conference

Room

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance by Chair Weinstein

Conflict of Interest Disclosure Commission members shall review agenda item contractors, subcontractors, and agents, which may require member abstentions due to conflict of interest and financial interests.

A Commission member with conflicts of interests shall state their conflict under the appropriate item. A Commission member may not participate in or influence the decision on a contract for which their abstention has been recorded.

Special Presentations

Inland Empire Breastfeeding Coalition presented by Laurie Haessly, MA, RDN, IBCLC Programs Manager and LeeAnn Contreras, BSN, RN, IBCLC IEBfC Board Member, Corona Regional Medical Center.

Children's Cabinet presented by Susan Gomez, Chief Executive Officer of the Inland Empire Community Collaborative and Brian Romo.

Attendees

Commissioners

- Ted Alejandre
- Diana Alexander
- Supervisor Baca, Jr.
- Joshua Dugas
- Gary Ovitt
- Dr. Gwen Dowdy-Rodgers
- Dr. Elliot Weinstein

<u>Staff</u>

- Cindy Faulkner, Assistant Director
- Wendy Lee, Psy.D.

Changes to the agenda

Commission Secretary read the following change to Agenda Item 2 under financial impact section which states: \$1,177,218 dollars for 2024-2025. It should state: \$540,042 dollars for 2024-2025.

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Item No.	CONSENT
	Approve Minutes from December 6, 2023 Commission Meeting.
1	Motion by Commissioner Baca, Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Dugas to approve the Consent Items.
	Without further comment or objection, motion carried by unanimous vote.
2	Approve Amendment A1 to Contract SI038 with EI Sol Neighborhood Educational Center for Home Visitor Apprenticeship to increase contract amount by \$540,042 for a cumulative total not to exceed \$1,573,654 for 2023-2025 to establish the Home Visitation Institute. (Presenter: Wendy Lee, Psy.D., Section Manager Evaluation and Impact, 252-4254)

Item No.	DISCUSSION	
3	Elect Chair and Vice-Chair for the Children and Families Commission for San Bernardino County. (Presenter: Cindy Faulkner, Assistant Director, 252-4252)	
	<u>Discussion</u> Ms. Faulkner asked for nominations from the floor for the position of Commission Chair. Supervisor Baca, Jr., nominated Dr. Weinstein. Dr. Weinstein accepted nomination.	
	Hearing none further, nominations closed for the position of Commission Chair. Without further comment or objection, commission members unanimously voted in favor of Dr. Weinstein to remain as Commission Chair.	
	Ms. Faulkner asked for nominations from the floor for the position of Commission Vice Chair. Commissioner Dugas nominated Diana Alexander. Diana Alexander accepted nomination.	
	Hearing none further, nominations closed for the position of Commission Vice Chair. Without further comment or objection, commission members unanimously voted in favor of Diana Alexander to remain as Commission Vice Chair.	
4	Elect Chair for the First 5 San Bernardino Advisory Committee. (Presenter: Cindy Faulkner, Assistant Director, 252-4252)	
	Ms. Faulkner asked for nominations from the floor for the position of Advisory Committee Chair. Commissioner Alexander nominated Dr. Gwen Dowdy-Rodgers. Dr. Gwen Dowdy-Rodgers accepted nomination.	
	Hearing none further, nominations closed for the position of Advisory Committee Chair. Without further comment or objection, commission members unanimously voted in favor of Dr. Gwen Dowdy-Rodgers to remain as Commission Vice Chair.	
5	Approve Contract IC054 with Health Management Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$102,950 for January 11, 2024 through June 30, 2024, to advance an integrated system of home visiting services for families in San Bernardino County. (Presenter: Wendy Lee, Pys.D., Section Manager, Evaluation and Impact, 252-4254)	

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Discussion
None
Public Comment None
Motion made by Supervisor Baca, Jr., and seconded by Commissioner Alexander to approve Item 5. Without further comment or objection, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Item No.	INFORMATION	
	No information item for this meeting.	

Public Comment

None

Commissioner Roundtable

The Commissioners as a whole congratulated the Chair and Vice Chair on their reelection and thanked the presenters for their excellent presentations. Commissioner
Alexander stated that, in honor of San Bernardino County's 160 NACo Award victory,
she will be in Washington, DC, on February 14. Supervisor Baca, Jr. expressed gratitude
to First 5 for encouraging children to read by attending the "Gift a Kid a Book" event at
Ramona Alessandro Elementary School in December. At the event, 4,000 books were
distributed. As the current President of Maggie's Foundation, where January 18 was
designated as Dr. Margaret Hill Day by the City of San Bernardino, Commissioner
Dowdy-Rodgers announced that the City of San Bernardino will hold an event titled "All
About the Children Day" on January 20. Additionally, Jayden Daniels, a former student
of San Bernardino Cajon High School, will be awarded the 2023 Heisman Trophy on
January 20. Hopefully you can make it out to one of the events as this is also Human
Trafficking Awareness Month. Dr. Weinstein announced that our next Commission
meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of February.

Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 3:30 p.m.

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Elliot Weinstein, M.D., Chair

Traci L. Homan, Commission Clerk