COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board

Summary of Subcommittee Meeting

Subcommittee Committee:

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Date: Thursday, April 28, 2022
Location: Virtual via Zoom
Facilitator: Sandra McBrayer
Meeting Staff: Jocelyn Núñez, Kayla Illif

Child and Family Services Subcommittee Summary: 46 attendees took part in the Subcommittee. Advisory Members Participating: Sandra Mueller, Patty Boles, Jessica Heldman, Cheryl Rode, Stephen Moore, Carolyn Griesemer, Ana Espana, Simone Hidds-Monroe, Adam Reed, Alethea Arguilez

Sandra McBrayer opened the meeting and conducted roll call. Jocelyn then described the meeting materials. Sandra provided a brief overview of the agenda and explained how the meeting was being conducted via the Zoom platform and encouraged participation.

Update on Workgroup Recommendation – Placement Recommendations

Sandra opened the agenda item on passed it to Lilian Nguyen to kick off the agenda item. Lilian then turned it over Sarah Glass and Tim Harris. Sarah and Tim shared the below update:

- Centralized Placement
  - Previous Structure
    - 6 Managers
    - 4 Deputy Directors
    - 3 Directors
  - Current Structure
    - 2 Managers
    - 2 Deputy Directors
    - 1 Director

- Standardized Placement Efforts
  - Shared expectations
  - Daily Roll ups
    - Diversions
    - Barriers to placement
    - Daily efforts

- Update on Relative Placements
  - February 2021: 32%
  - February 2022: 39%

- Update on Sibling Placements
- February 2021: 55% placed with all siblings
- February 2022: 60% placed with all siblings

- Updated placement strategy meetings
  - Structured Bi-weekly meetings
    - Youth at Polinsky Children’s Center (PCC)
    - Changes of Placement (COP)
    - Stabilization
    - Mandatory for PSS and PSW
    - Resource Family Approval (RFA) and PCC

- Enhanced Collaboration Opportunities
  - Placement manager / PCC Manager Weekly Cross Threading Meetings
  - Placement Protective Services Supervisor (PSS) Learning Circle
  - Placement, Foster & Adoptive Resource Family Services (FARFS), RFA Manager Check Ins
  - Floating Staff
  - Teams sharing resources and ideas, supporting each other

Due to time constraints only half of the placement strategies were presented. The remainder of the strategies and some questions from the first half of the presentation will be brought back to the June subcommittee meetings.

Information the subcommittee will be looking into further:
- Review how long children are at PCC before placement at STRTP.
- Review process to ensure services that are provided at Polinsky follow the child when they are released.
- Additional information on Fostering Academic Success in Education.

**Ombudsman Update**

Due to time constraints the agenda item has been moved to the June agenda.

Sandra concluded the meeting by reviewing items that will be discussed during the June meeting:
- Address questions from 1st half of the placement presentation.
- 2nd half of the placement presentation.
- Ombudsman Update

Sandra then reminded everyone of the upcoming full advisory board meeting occurring on Friday, May 13th at 9:00 am.

**Next Meeting:** June 23, 2022, 11:00 am