

NAME: **CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO**

LEGAL AUTHORITY: County Administrative Code Article IIIv, San Diego County Section 84.700; Ordinance No. 10598 (N.S.) of 3/26/19 (11). Repealed and replaced provisions in the San Diego County Administrative Code and created the Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board of San Diego County. Amended Ordinance No. 10623 (N.S.) of 9/10/2019 (10).

MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION:

The Advisory Board shall consist of twenty-five (25) voting members appointed consistent with Board Policy A-74 and as follows:

- (a) Two members of the Board of Supervisors who shall serve as Co-Chairs
- (b) Supervisors not serving on the Advisory Board shall each nominate one (1) constituent as a Supervisorial District representative to be confirmed by the Board of Supervisors
- (c) Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court or designee
- (d) Health and Human Services Agency Director or designee
- (e) Child Welfare Director or designee
- (f) Chief Probation Officer or designee
- (g) First 5 San Diego Executive Director or designee
- (h) Persons nominated by the Co-Chairs and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors who represent each of the following categories:
 - (1) Former foster youth
 - (2) Foster parent association
 - (3) Foster family agency
 - (4) Congregate care provider
 - (5) Court Appointed Special Advocate
 - (6) Legal counsel for minors in juvenile court
 - (7) Legal counsel for parents in juvenile court
 - (8) San Diego County Office of Education
 - (9) Juvenile justice community-based organization
 - (10) Children's health care professional
 - (11) Social worker
 - (12) A.B. and Jessie Polinsky Children's Center
 - (13) San Pasqual Academy
 - (14) Two (2) individuals with lived experience who reflect over-represented populations in the system with a preference for former foster youth

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- (a) To serve as an informational resource to the Board of Supervisors on issues related to child abuse and neglect and in conformance with this Article and applicable County policies, advise the Board of Supervisors, Chief Administrative Officer, Health and Human Services Agency Director, and Child Welfare Services Director.
- (b) Review and evaluate the County's child welfare related services, programs, facilities and new issues as they arise, and review and comment on such evaluations of the County conducted by other entities or bodies as needed.
- (c) Collaborate and communicate with other advisory boards on issues of mutual concern.
- (d) Submit an annual report and dashboard to the Board of Supervisors on the needs and performance of the County Child Welfare System.
- (e) Review and comment on items related to child welfare before consideration by the Board of Supervisors.
- (f) Review and comment on the County's performance outcome data, as it relates to child welfare matters, and communicate its findings to the Board of Supervisors.
- (g) Review and comment on the outreach efforts used to engage citizen involvement on this Advisory Board.
- (h) Provide a forum for interagency cooperation and coordination in the prevention, detection, treatment and legal processing of child abuse cases.
- (i) Promote public awareness of the abuse and neglect of children and the resources available for intervention and treatment.
- (j) Encourage and facilitate training of professionals in the detection, treatment, and prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- (k) Recommend improvements in services to families and victims who are in the public charge, as well as children, youth, and families whose safety and welfare may be at risk.
- (l) Encourage and facilitate community support for child abuse and neglect, and family support programs.
- (m) To carry out the purposes of Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 18965 *et seq.* regarding proposals to be funded by the children's trust fund:
 - (1) Establish criteria for determining those programs which may receive funding,
 - (2) Accept all program proposals that meet criteria set by the Advisory Board,
 - (3) Prioritize the proposals in compliance with County procurement policies where applicable, and
 - (4) Recommend to the Board of Supervisors those proposals that the Advisory Board agrees merit funding.

- (n) Collect and publish data relevant to the state and local children's trust funds as required by California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 18970.
- (o) Develop a protocol for interagency coordination and provide a yearly report to the Board of Supervisors as required by California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 18983.6.

TERMS OF OFFICE:

- (a) Supervisors shall be appointed for a term as determined by the Board of Supervisors.
- (b) Supervisorial District representatives shall serve a term concurrent with the appointing Supervisor's term of office.
- (c) The term for the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court, Health and Human Services Agency Director, Child Welfare Director, First 5 Executive Director, and Chief Probation Officer or their designees shall be concurrent with their service in their respective positions.
- (d) All other members shall serve a term of four (4) years.
- (e) Any member whose term has expired shall continue their duties until a successor is appointed. The reelection of a member of the Board of Supervisors shall not automatically extend the term of any member of the Advisory Board.
- (f) If a vacancy occurs in mid-term, the new appointee shall serve for the remainder of the term of the member being replaced.

VACANCIES:

A vacancy shall be recognized before the expiration of the term upon the occurrence of any of the following:

- (a) The death of the incumbent.
- (b) The resignation of the incumbent.
- (c) For a Supervisorial District representative, if their appointing Supervisor becomes a member of the Advisory Board.
- (d) Unexcused absences from more than half of the regularly scheduled full Advisory Board meetings in any twelve (12) month period.

**MEETING DATE
AND LOCATION:**

To Be Determined

COMPENSATION:

Members of the Advisory Board shall serve without compensation and shall not be reimbursed for expenses other than mileage reimbursement for travel incurred in performing the duties assigned to them under this Article.

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