

Local Coordinating Committee (LCC)
Minutes
Thursday, March 11, 2010

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Cynthia Gutierrez/ ICBHS, A&D	Debra Ramsey/ CalWORKS
Pablo Cerda/ CalWORKS	Rene Felix / ICBHS, A&D
Mary Morris/ FACT Center	Charlie Cruz/CalWORKS
Maria Murga/Niland FRC	Alicia Ruvalcaba/SPFRC

I. Welcome with Self Introductions

Amanda Occhiuto welcomed attendees and each member introduced themselves and their agencies.

II. Review of Minutes- Approved: 1st Jose Carrillo and 2nd Lulu Vizcarra

NEW BUSINESS:

I. Interagency Conference Presentation: Jose Carillo

- ❖ Once again had a good conference
- ❖ Interagency Conference: 12/10/09 CHANGE
 - 61 staff attended, 67 registered
 - Conference Information: Presentations, keynotes, raffle, and youth lunch skit by IVROP
- ❖ Jose went over the results of the participant evaluations from the conference
- ❖ Less attended this year
- ❖ With lower attendance, we received a higher number of evaluations than previous years
- ❖ Presenters were also asked for their feedback
- ❖ Overall the conference was planned and organized well

II. Strategic Planning Updates

- ❖ Amanda went over the strategic update table and purpose of the activity
 - ISC began exercise at last ISC meeting
 - Table lists each of the 5 ISC Goals
 - Many agencies contributed whether or not they had outcome data for each goal and listed their promising practices which the outcome data comes from.
- ❖ Those sitting at the table were asked to contribute information for their agency that is NOT listed on the table
- ❖ The table will go out to those who were unable to attend for their input as well

III. 2010-2011 Meeting Schedule

- ❖ The 2010-2011 schedule was purposed as follows:
 - July 15, 2010
 - September 9, 2010
 - November 18, 2010
- ❖ The 2011 dates will be given out at the next meeting

OLD BUSINESS:

IV: ISC Coordinator/ LCC Chair Updates

- ❖ DFC continuation grant application was submitted
 - Last year of funding
 - No longer eligible to apply
 - Hoping to “pass the torch” to the A&D Prevention Taskforce
 - Applied for \$94, 825

- ❖ STOP continuation grant application was submitted
 - Same office as DFC
 - Eligible because DFC grantees
 - Two coalitions: adult and youth combined as one community coalition
 - Focuses on underage drinking
 - Asked for those who are interested and reside in Brawley
 - Aims toward environmental and policy change
 - Event will be May 20th and 21st at BUHS
 - All members are invited
 - Adult and youth focus groups are being conducted

- ❖ REMS- emergency preparedness grant was submitted
 - Grant aims to provide support to schools to expand their emergency plans

V: FRC Coordinator’s Updates

- ❖ Niland (presented earlier in meeting):
 - Health Fair coming up
 - Community wants the FRC move it back to school

- ❖ Mary Morris:
 - March 18th Parent Workshop on Literacy for young children at FACT (Flyer)

- ❖ Central:
 - Finished family communication classes
 - Focus on anger management, family roles, communications, goals, high risk issues
 - Meet with the families ten times, each for three hours
 - Reduce truancy and high risk behaviors

- ❖ San Pasqual:
 - WIC clinic open the first Friday of each month
 - Health fair last week
 - Census testing everyday at the FRC from 8 am to 5 pm

VI. Agency Updates

- ❖ Pablo Cerda/CalWORKS Welfare to Work
 - FRCs visits were halted for a while, but back on track for CalWORKS Welfare to Work
 - Struggles with the new rules from the state with regard to childcare, no longer paying for childcare
 - Clients with two or more kids are not mandated to participate any longer, and there is no sanction
 - The regulation is causing reduction in participation
 - Saving money (DSS) because no longer paying for childcare

- ❖ Behavioral Health-A&D Cynthia Gutierrez
 - Too good for Drugs and Violence prevention curriculum implemented in schools
 - With 9th graders, looking to do 6th and 7th graders
 - Provides information on goal setting, managing their emotions, staying out of drugs and alcohol

- Rene introduced Cynthia as the new community services worker for Alcohol and Drug
- ❖ Charlie Cruz/CalWORKS Eligibility
 - Reduction in budgets due to budget crisis
 - Medical should be safe because it is federally funded
 - CalWORKS programs will see significant cuts
 - Reductions may affect FRCs as far as short staff
 - C-4 overview given; still new process
 - Amanda commended DSS for sticking with the FRCs even with cuts
 - Debra asked for donation of stamps
 - Shortage of stamps
 - Supplies have been cut
- ❖ Janet Macken/March of Dimes
 - Prenatal classes through Clinicas
 - At Brawley site on Wednesdays from 8 to 10 am
 - At Calexico site on Wednesdays from 11 to 1 pm
 - At El Centro site on Thursdays from 12 to 2 pm
 - Prefer to get them in their first trimester, but will work with them
 - Working with Pablo Torres at CHP for car seats on a month to month basis
 - Teen conference going to local communities this year
 - April 1st is the Brawley Teen Conference at the Lion Center
 - Working on transportation for Calipatria
 - Calexico is in the works to hold one out there
 - El Centro will not have one this year since there have been plenty of presentations and what not at their site
- ❖ Yvette Garcia/CAP Council
 - April 24th is the Children's fair
 - Applications have been sent out
 - IVROP is doing the Children's fair with Earth Day

NEXT MEETING: May 13, 2010: Alternative Education Boardroom