

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

DRAFT ACTION SUMMARY

Friday, November 19, 2021 – 10:30 a.m.

Members: Erik Fernandez y Garcia, Aiyana Evans

Advisory Committee Member(s): Alexxandria Paige, Pooja Mittal

Staff: Julie Gallelo, LaTina Price, Erin Maurie, Lindsay Dunckel

Community: Carolyn Curtis, Heather Gonzalez

Absent: Donna Sneeringer

This meeting took place via Zoom due to Covid-19 restrictions and to adhere to the County's policy on social distancing.

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 10:30AM. A quorum was established.

2. Public Comment on Off-Agenda Items

None.

3. Approve Draft Action Summary of August 20, 2021

Action: MOTION: E. Fernandez y Garcia, Second: A. Evans
Approved as recommended.

4. Discuss 2022 SOS Committee Meeting Schedule/Calendar

Action: Staff will survey committee members for their availability and preference on several new meeting days and times, including evening meeting options. Next regularly scheduled meeting date/time may change based on results.

5. Receive Update on Policy and Advocacy Activities

Policy and Advocacy Update

Committee members received an update on recent policy and advocacy efforts including a report on happenings around the 2021-22 state budget affecting children and families. E. Maurie announced that the Governor's budget proved favorable towards children and two key bills supported by First 5 have been signed: SB 395 which imposes a tax on electronic cigarettes of which revenues will be allocated to First 5's; and SB 64 known as the CA Omnibus Act will improve maternal and infant mortality rates for BIPOC families by expanding

services for pregnancy and postpartum care. More highlights from the Governor's proposed budget are forthcoming and will be included in the Executive Director's Report to the Commission.

6. Approve 2022 Policy Priorities

E. Maurie presented committee members with the updated 2022 Policy Priorities stating that the policy platform highlights the Commission's priorities to advance policy change on a larger systemic level, as well as smaller scale changes to organizational and programmatic policies and procedures with local providers. Updates include new language supporting the Commission's racial equity, social justice and capacity building goals in each of the four key areas: Health; Early Care and Development; Empowered Families; and Systems Improvement and Sustainability.

Action: *Approve 2022 Policy Priorities and recommend for Commission approval and adoption.*

MOTION: E. Fernandez y Garcia, Second: A. Evans

Approved as recommended.

7. Receive Update on Systems Improvement and Sustainability Activities

Review FY2020-21 Sustainability Evaluation Updates

L. Price reviewed a draft of the FY 2020-21 Evaluation Report focusing on Systems Improvement & Sustainability stating that just as with direct service investments, the Commission is committed to tracking the progress of its Systems Sustainability Plan. This year's evaluation report includes outcomes of the Commission's Systems Optimization and Sustainability work as a whole. Highlighted efforts supported all of the Commission's prioritized result areas through public awareness and action, policy and systems improvement and financial resources.

A final draft of activities will be included in the Commission's 2020-21 Evaluation Report.

Committee members applauded the Commission's efforts and progress made towards partner sustainability. The impact of administrative cost savings and pending vape tax revenues were discussed and the outlook on future program and systems improvement funding allocations. Staff stated that a presentation on revenue budgeting and projections will be given by Eric Harrold at upcoming SOS Committee and Advisory Committee meetings.

8. Review and Discuss REDI +CR survey results and next steps

L. Price provided committee members with a recap of the presentation to Commissioners on the REDI Action Plan intended to operationalize the Commission's commitment to Racial Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Cultural Responsiveness. Part of the presentation was RJA highlighting early results of the internal survey conducted to create a baseline of knowledge and

capacity building needs to support the REDI and cultural responsiveness work. As a next step, Heather Gonzales of Racial Justice Advocates provided committee members with an opportunity to provide feedback on their experiences with taking the survey and to discuss themes they would like to highlight in the recommendations and final report of survey findings.

9. Committee Member Comments

None.

10. Upcoming Events/Future Agenda Items

Meetings will continue to be held via Zoom until further notice.

Adjourned: 11:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sustainability Manager
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