



Fresno County Interagency Council for Children and Families
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Minutes

Gang Prevention Subcommittee
August 31, 2010
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Juvenile Justice Campus
3333 E. American Avenue, Room A123
Fresno, CA

Present: Debra McKenzie, Judge David Gottlieb, Steve Rodriguez, Edward Gonzalez, Doug Lanier, Elizabeth Diaz, Ruby Hefley, Brooke Frost, Marcelino Salazar, Greg Anderson, Mike Elliot, Ike Grewal, Maisong Vang, Maggie Navarro

Scribe: Judy Wynn

I. Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am followed by round table introductions.

II. Determine a Steering Committee Invite List & Identify Agencies and Individuals

A document outlining Steering Committee development, as recommended by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), was provided for review. Committee members were in agreement that those serving on the Steering Committee should be:

- 1. Senior management**
- 2. Interested in the issues and aware that the Steering Committee is a commitment**
- 3. Aware that committee meets six times a year; every other month for 2 hours**

Nominations were determined and agreed upon as follows:

- **Law enforcement:** Lt. Neil Dadian, MAGEC
- **Mayor's Offices:** Maggie Navarro, Fresno Mayor's Office; Additional Mayors' Office representatives via COG Representative(s)- To be determined by COG
- **County Executive:** John Navarrette, CAO
- **Probation:** Mike Elliott, Juvenile Division Director
- **Parole:** Daniel Renteria
- **Prosecution:** Greg Anderson, Chief Deputy District Attorney
- **Courts:** Judge David Gottlieb; Elizabeth Diaz, Assistant Public Defender (Ms. Diaz will confer with Kenneth Taniguchi, Public Defender, to determine if he or she will serve on the committee)
- **Schools:** Edward Gonzalez, Associate Superintendent (Don Weaver, Lori Powell)
- **Youth & Family Agency:** Diane Carbray, Boys and Girls Club Fresno County
- **Business Community:** Doug Davidian, Fresno Business Council; Mike Wilhelm, Fresno Business Council
- **Faith Community:** Doug Lanier, Sheriff's Chaplaincy Volunteer

- **Manpower/Job Training:** Marcelino Salazar, Fresno County EOC
- *****Community Based Organization:** Several agencies were named. An interest form will be sent out and one or two agencies will be selected by the Steering Committee. Potential members include: California Youth Outreach, Fresno Street Saints and Big Brothers Big Sisters.
- **Public Housing:** Housing Authority of the City and County of Fresno- Ms. McKenzie will confer with Allysunn Williams to determine interest/ availability and report back to the Steering Committee
- **Neighborhood Association:** Ms. McKenzie will confer with City and County Neighborhood Watch Associations to gauge interest/ availability and report back to the Steering Committee.
- ****Social Services:** Steve Rodriguez, Deputy Director of Department of Social Services; Ike Grewal, Behavioral Health Staff Analyst (Pending approval).

*** **“Grassroots Organization”** changed to **“Community Based Organization” – CBO**

****New Category:** “Social Services: Steve Rodriguez, Deputy Director DSS;

ADDENDUM: A request was made immediately following the meeting to include Behavioral Health. Pending approval of the Steering Committee, “Social Services” category will change to “Human Services” and incorporate a Behavioral Health representative.

III. **Approve Gang Prevention Strategic Plan and Assessment Report final print. Discussion:**

Mr. Anderson expressed concern over the maps in the Assessment report being made public. Ms. Frost expressed the importance of this type of information in securing funding through grants. Request for release of such information will come before the Steering Committee on a case by case basis.

In the Assessment report, maps beginning on the bottom half of page 12 and maps on pages 15 – 18 will be removed. On page 20, the title “Mayors Gang Prevention Intervention / Task Force” will be changed to “Mayors Gang Prevention Initiative.” No other comments in terms of changes or edits were made. Ms. McKenzie will send a final draft with the completed deletions for final approval via email.

IV. **Hear an overview of Next Steps for Strategic Plan**

- An invitation letter and attachments will be sent to all Steering Committee nominees.
 - ✓ Attachments include: Interagency Bylaws, draft Committee bylaws, calendar of proposed meetings and dates, Steering Committee contact sheet, Assessment Report, Strategic Plan and timelines.
- Establish the Steering Committee as a Subcommittee of Interagency. This will be an agenda item for the Regular Interagency meeting on September 10, 2010.
- A calendar of upcoming Steering Committee meeting dates will be established.
- The Steering Committee will also be working on establishing five autonomous Community Action Teams (CATs).
- Gang Prevention Awareness Week will be held on October 2- October 9, 2010.

- Gang prevention and intervention mini-grants are currently open and located on the Fresno County Purchasing website. The solicitation for mini-grants will close on September 9, 2010.

V. Public Comments: None

VI. Announcements: None

VII. Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held by the Steering Committee (date undetermined at this time).