



LASSEN COUNTY
CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION

Date of Meeting: February 26, 2024
Time of Meeting: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Location: Lassen County Office of Education
472-013 Johnstonville Road, Susanville, CA 96130

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Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Jessica Stading	Present	Chris Gallagher	Present
Jodi Neuenschwander	Absent	Barbara Longo	Present
Ronda Hall	Present	Theresa Woodbury	Present
Pam McGuire	Absent	Tim Clark	Present

1. CALL TO ORDER — Welcome and Introductions

Name	Time
Hall	9:04 AM

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public are given the opportunity to address the Commission on items of interest and within the jurisdiction of the Commission as such items are discussed. This time is allowed for public input on any item not on the agenda. Time may be limited, depending on the number of speakers and items of business.

Name	Subject
Stading	Family Connections Conference reminder.
Rayme Haskin	Haskin is advocating for education in the native community. She has a monthly zoom support group offered. Bullying was discussed this week. They worked on identifying strategies and what to look for.

3. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS, AND/OR DELETIONS

Action

COMMENT:			
Motion	Moved	Second	Pass
Approve the agenda as presented.	Long	Gallager	Y

Record of Vote

Chris Gallager	Approved	Theresa Woodbury	Approved
Ronda Hall	Approved	Barbara Longo	Approved
Jessica Stading	Approved		

4. APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIONS

Action

Financial Payments for February 2024

COMMENT: None			
Motion	Moved	Second	Pass
Approve financial payments for February 2024	Stading	Woodbury	Y

Lassen County Children and Families Commission		
February 2024 for FY 2023-2024		
Transfer of Funds Request		
Social Entrepreneurs, Inv	\$272.50	Evaluation Support 12/31/23, Inv 6154
Singleton Auman	\$900.00	Acc Support for Annual Audit FY 22/23, inv 63692
Tim Clark Management LLC	\$6,957.50	Contract Implementation for February 2024, Inv 1112
Total	\$8,130.00	

Record of Vote			
Chris Gallager	Approved	Theresa Woodbury	Approved
Ronda Hall	Approved	Barbara Longo	Approved
Jessica Stading	Approved		

5. INFORMATION AND CONSENT CALENDAR

Action

Approval of Minutes of January 22, 2024
Approval of Fiscal Reports for February 2024

COMMENT:			
Motion	Moved	Second	Pass
Approve Minutes of January 22, 2024 and Fiscal Reports for February 2024.	Longo	Stading	Y

Record of Vote			
Chris Gallager	Approved	Theresa Woodbury	Approved
Ronda Hall	Approved	Barbara Longo	Approved
Jessica Stading	Approved		

6. F5 CA ANNUAL REPORT

Public Hearing

Comment	Opened	Closed
None	9:13	9:14

7. HV RTA GRANT EXPENDITURE

Action

COMMENT: This is grant funding for Lassen Links. We want to put together videos to provide a lens from partners and families who have engaged. We also want to produce two surveys. One will be from partners and one will be from families or individuals. We want feedback from both parties. We have reached out to other vendors with no responses. We will use Sarah Boxx for this project. She has familiarity with Lassen links and the referral process. Clark wants to move forward with a motion for Sarah Boxx to move forward on the project. This will be funded with the HVC grant and under First 5. Longo states that Sarah has always done a great job and we have always had positive experiences. These videos will be posted on lassenlinks.org.

Motion	Moved	Moved	Pass
Approve Sarah Boxx Scope of Work using the sole source option due to unique blend of requested services and her in-depth understanding of Lassen Links.	Gallager	Longo	Y

Record of Vote

Chris Gallager	Approved	Theresa Woodbury	Approved
Ronda Hall	Approved	Barbara Longo	Approved
Jessica Stading	Approved		

8. FY 23/24 MIDYEAR REVIEW

Discussion

Summary

SEI completed the midyear review. This is a data brief showing if we are on track to meeting with the objectives through Pathways for July 1-Dec 31, 2023. The points of contact are how many people were contacted per visit. 12 of 19 families provided feedback across 15 surveys. Kim Hopkinson reported on objectives and 23-24 process made to date. Kim suggested that they meet with the 9 families that said that their needs were not fully met.

9. BEGIN STRATEGIC PLAN & LONG RANGE FINANCIAL PLAN

Discussion

Summary

On an annual basis we need to review the Strategic Plan. This is a 5 year plan. We are six months into this plan. We provided the review in the commission packet. We did not add the Strategic Plan because it is so long. Clark will email the Strategic Plan out to everyone. He asks that anyone can comment on this review and send it to him by March 26th if there are any edits needed.

10. SPCFA FY 24/25 UPDATE**Discussion****Summary**

SCPFA is one of the funding streams from F5 CA. This is extra funding from Prop 10. They had an algorithm issue, to correct that issue they made SPCFA. The algorithm hurt small counties so they made this funding stream available in the past. They will extend the current contract with them for one more year. The funding is \$213,225 for the next fiscal year. It is lower than before. We were getting \$227,000. We have always used this funding to help offset pathways contract. It covered 4 of 5 pathways payments. We should get information soon on what we can expect after next year.

11. PATHWAYS CONTRACT**Discussion****Summary**

Clark is encouraging the commission to set \$213,225.00 as their contract. Janet Cunningham (Pathways board member): They are engaging in shifting the mindset on sustainability. Cunningham set a meeting with Sarah Boxx for future plans of Pathways. Hall states that Headstart no longer has home visiting. This is our only home visiting program in Lassen County. Pathways is having financial issues right now. They are looking at bringing in more funding for sustainability. They have 2 home visitors plus Roberts. They want to hire two more but current funding can only support the three of them. Roberts had secured funding from Cal Works. Pathways is a private non-profit. Public Health is working on a home visiting grant of \$375,000. We want to contract Pathways with the funding from the SPCFA, giving them \$213,225.00. We need to have this decided on by the June meeting for the contract. Clark will make a draft contract for \$213,225.00 for review at our April meeting. Then the commission can review draft.

12. APPROVE NEW COMMISSIONER APPLICANTS**Action****COMMENT:**

Motion	Moved	Second	Pass
Approve Melissa Rakestraw's application for commissioner. She will fill the section one.	Stading	Gallager	Y

13. FORM 700 & CONFLICT OF INTEREST**Information**

Summary: Clark will send these out to everyone. The new commissioners will do conflict of interest training. It is due every other year. The 700 Form is due every year. Longo- Clark can get a copy from Michelle.

14. LPC DIAPER/WIPES SPONSORSHIP**Discussion****Summary**

LPC granted the commission \$2,500 for diapers and wipes. We will work with MCAH to see what sizes are needed and Hall will find a vendor. If the cost is under \$3,000 Clark can approve it and it can go through the executive committee. Hall is going to get quotes from Costco, Morning Glory, and Supply Bank. Supply Bank can make them custom for us. They are out of L.A. The shipping is a high price. They only have size 2 diapers currently. There were 73 cases of severe diaper rash just at Northeastern. Suggestion for another brand: Parents Choice at Walmart.

15. REPORTS AND UPDATES

Information

Report	Update
Quality Counts/First 5 Impact Project Update	Freeman is planning a journal workshop to be coming soon for QCNS participants.
Lassen HEARTS/MCAH	Lassen Hearts is working with Lassen Links. There is a QR code on the back of the flyer that goes directly to Lassen Links. MCAH is working on a 5 year needs assessment. Rakestraw revised it and it needs to get approved. Hall and Rakestraw are both working on the Home Visiting Grant.
Health Collaborative	Longo did not attend the last meeting. Bennet went because the topic was Oral Health. They spoke about the needs of hospital dentistry. We have kids in Lassen struggling with level 3 issues. Bennet is hoping to open hospital dentistry at Banner. Our county is losing money with kids having to leave town and take off of school for dental issues.
Lassen Oral Health Program (LOHP)	February is national Oral Health month. Oral Health presented at Lassen Library and had the tooth fairy come (Linsey Freeman). They are doing outreaches with oral literacy. Pathways also does Oral Health month. They have story books for oral health. They give out toothbrushes and toothpaste. MCAH gives these to them. They do an alligator game. Bennet has a new game for Pathways.
Sierra Cascade Family Opportunities	SCFO is prepping for the Family Connections Conference on March 16th. Leavitt Lake was open until 1:00 and is now open until 4. They still have a few spots open for children.
LPC	Neuenschwander was not present.
Northeastern Rural Clinic	The postpartum group is still on hold. They hope to start again in the spring. Woodbury is still in contact with other postpartum moms. They only have two OB doctors; Braatz and Peterson. A new doctor is coming for an interview today. Child birth classes are coming soon. They do these every other month.
Other	<p>Chip Chaw: If you don't have this community health assessment and community health plan. We don't have this. We need this. County employees need child care. They are struggling to get a contractor. Child care is really needed.</p> <p>Jason Ingram: Wants more resources for Herlong. Clark is making connections with a resource center there with food delivery, wants a resource fair there. He is connecting with Ian at WIC.</p> <p>Roberts asked about Bieber: Public Health has been there. Freeman reported that Leesa Bricker and Sammy are doing very well with running the preschool.</p>

15. ADJOURN @

FY 23/24 Meetings: April 22, 2024; June 24, 2024