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## Children and Youth Committee Meeting Notes

Thursday, February 22, 2024  
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**\*In-Person meeting**  
405 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street., Room 202, Santa Ana, CA 92701

**Hybrid Option:**  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82235220417?pwd=7hLS2a2R8wRnJ8jZoW75SGpmgPmNzh.1>  
Meeting ID: 822 3522 0417  
Passcode: 293846

**1:00 – 1:05 p.m. Welcome & Introductions Kristen Pankratz**  
**Members Present-** Kristen Pankratz, Alan Albright, Linda Smith,  
**Staff Present-** Karla Perez, Alicia Lemire, Dawn Smith

**1:05 – 1:10 p.m. Public Comment:**  
N/A

**1:10 – 1:55 p.m. Scheduled Discussion Items:**

- **Prioritizing and Identifying Goals of the Committee-** one of the committee goals for this year is to reach out to schools. They will work with Chinh Nguyen to coordinate a meeting with Fountain Valley High School prior to the end of the school year. The committee would like to hold a committee meeting at a school and possibly include the PTA.

It was suggested to reach out to Michelle Smith to see if there any contracts with the schools. They would like to identify those programs, if any, to be able to coordinate with them and join their meetings.

A member suggested collaborating with Chinh Nguyen and Hector Bustos (BHAB Members), to help with coordination in obtaining a further reach with the schools. The goal is to learn about what services are available to the youth in the schools and identify where the needs and gaps are. The committee will identify focus areas prior to reaching out to the schools and will write a letter to the school.

- **Ideas for Future Presentations-** The committee would like to learn more about how

schools do linkage to services for the mild to moderate. Kristen will reach out to Stacy Deeble-Reynolds from OCDE to get information on school prevention resources.

Dawn Smith stated that prevention efforts would be affected should Prop 1 pass. She explained that every school district is different and will identify their priorities for funding differently. We continue to work with schools to seemingly connect and offer warm handoffs to children in need of services.

Alan commented that access to services and early intervention is essential, stressing that this should be an area of focus for the committee.

The Committee would like to learn more about SBHIP. Alan Albright suggests to request representation from OCDE and CalOptima on this committee.

It was suggested to have a presentation how youth are linked to wellness resources.

**2:00 p.m.**

**Adjourn**

**Kristen Pankratz**