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Meeting Notes of February 14, 2008

Attending: Pamela Flohr, Trish Stanionis, Leoma Lee, Lynn Manchester, ,Ernie Brown, Sue Priest (ex-officio)
Absent: Melinda Avey (exc), Mike Mendez (exc), Matt Hedges, Ana Negron, Barney Donnelly (exc), Penelope Clarke (ex-officio) (exc), Paul Lake (ex officio), Cortez Quinn (ex-officio)
Guests: Paul Tanner, Lin Batten
Staff: Alan Lange

Issues	Discussion	Actions
Introductions	Quorum not present, so no action taken.	
Approval of Meeting Notes of 1/10/08	No quorum.	
Chair's Report	A year-end summary highlighting the key activities and accomplishments of HSCC in 2007 was distributed. It will be sent to the Supervisors and appropriate Agency and Department heads. In meeting with each of the Member Advisory Boards, the Budget Committee is also alerting the MABs to the County Report Card and distributing copies. Performance measures most relevant to each MAB are being highlighted to encourage MAB coordinating with County departments to improve outcomes.	
First 5 Sacramento (Lin Batten, Executive Director)	Lin Batten, Executive Director of First 5 Sacramento provided an overview of the program, including its history, structure, and purpose. The Prop 10 tobacco tax brings in about \$19 million annually to Sacramento County which are used to fund programs for children 0-5 years old. A packet was distributed highlighting current First 5 projects and initiatives. Funded programs include: child care, community based initiatives, effective parenting, fluoridation, medical home, nutrition, and school readiness. Lin commended the Advisory Committee, especially for its ability to add a valuable voice to the Commission work groups and facilitate the community review portion of proposal reviews. First 5's strategic planning update is underway. The planning timeline was distributed. Noted that there have been issues with the State looking to take First 5 funds to fund other programs (such as children's health insurance, as was proposed last year). Because many local Commissions have large reserves, it appears that funding isn't being used. The reserves make it possible to fund programs on multi-year cycles, and provides stability so that programs aren't having to be drastically reduced and expanded every year. Outcomes are also crucial to First 5. Outcomes provide accountability. First 5 Sacramento continues to improve the data collection system, making it easier to use, and provides technical assistance to contractors to help them. Outcomes need to be recognized as an opportunity to show off how much benefit programs provide. The struggle is finding meaningful measures. As Prop 10 faces threats, it is important to grow its public presence. It needs to be a recognizable name that all parents know and can say that their child received something from First 5 and are better for it. Member commented that grandparents raising grandchildren is a growing issue. Suggested that a Grandparent support group could be a good topic for a Community Building Initiative grant.	-M/S (trish/Pam) to close nominations; approved. -M/S (Pam/Leoma) to elect the slate of officers as presented by the nominating committee; approved.
Department Updates	Health and Human Services: County is facing a budget deficit in the current year. Part of the deficit is caused because the County contract with UC Davis Medical Center: the county surpassed its contracted amount for bed day occupancy, resulting in a bill of \$5 million. County is in the process of renegotiating the contract with UC Davis. \$40-60 million deficit projected for 2008-09. Current direction is to cut 10% of all General Funds in the Department.	

	Human Assistance: No report. Countywide Services: No report. Board of Supervisors: No report.	
Program and Committee updates	<p><u>Budget</u>: HSCC will be organizing a joint meeting for all the member advisory boards on April 19. DHHS, DHA, Countywide Services Agency, and the Board of Supervisors will all be invited. The purpose of the meeting will be for the MABs to discuss and identify common priorities and develop consensus around issues to advocate for.</p> <p><u>Emergency Preparedness</u>: The upcoming meeting will focus on identifying the needs of cognitive disabilities and homeless populations during an emergency.</p> <p><u>Human Services Element</u>: No report.</p> <p><u>Integrated Human Services Planning</u>: The committee is on hiatus.</p> <p><u>Mental Health Board</u> – The elimination of AB 2034 continues to be a focus of discussion.</p> <p><u>Children’s Coalition</u> – Seeking to pre-release data in spring.</p> <p><u>Adult and Aging</u> – Senior Housing Report was released. Includes very valuable and relevant information for all groups.</p>	<p>-Budget Committee will prepare Joint MAB meeting agenda and meeting announcements.</p> <p>-Senior Housing Profile will be distributed to all members.</p>
Announcements	Member commented that several health access and assessment reports have recently been completed or are underway, including the community health assessment conducted by the local hospitals; the Healthy Futures project, managed by CSPP, and a study underway by The California Endowment. These studies should be coordinated.	
Adjourn		Next meeting: Mar 13