



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TRANSITION TEAM FOR THE
OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 381B
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

Monday, September 8, 2014

11:30 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-4142)

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Present: Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Hon. Steve Cooley, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague. Antonia Jiménez participated via teleconference.

Absent: Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie and David Sanders

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order. (14-3872)

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz at 11:38 a.m.

2. Approval of the August 22, 2014 meeting minutes. (14-3874)

On motion of Member Hon. Steve Cooley, seconded by Member Hon. Margaret Henry, this item was approved.

Ayes: 7 - Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Hon. Steve Cooley, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Antonia Jiménez, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague

Absent: 2 - Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie and David Sanders

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II. DISCUSSIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion on the implementation and status of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Child Protection recommendations including a presentation related to the following:
- District Attorney's Office to provide an update on ESCARS, training, cross reporting, the utilization of ESCARS between law enforcement agencies and the Department of Children and Family Services, and implementation issues (Recommendation Matrix Item No.6). (14-3457)

Joseph Esposito, Assistant District Attorney, Michael Gargiulo, Assistant Head Deputy, and Vanessa Rizzo, Paralegal, of the District Attorney's Office (DA), Special Operations, Family Violence Division, addressed the Transition Team. Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz requested the Acting Executive Director to work with the DA to identify the cost associated with programming that would enable an early warning system.

The Transition Team discussed updates to the Blue Ribbon Commission on Child Protection Recommendation Matrix. Following discussion, Member Antonia Jiménez indicated that she would follow-up with Department of Public Health (DPH) regarding their substance abuse treatment, eligibility requirements and referrals. Also, Co-Chair Katz indicated that First 5 L.A. and DPH will be invited to a future meeting to provide an update on their collaboration to develop a prevention plan.

The Transition Team also discussed their scheduled meetings for the month of September and October 2014. On motion of Member Hon. Steve Cooley, seconded by Member Hon. Margaret Henry, the Transition Team cancelled their regular meeting scheduled for Monday, October 13, 2014; and scheduled two special meetings on Monday, September 29 and Monday, October 6, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.

Ayes: 7 - Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Hon. Steve Cooley, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Antonia Jiménez, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague

Absent: 2 - Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie and David Sanders

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4. Discussion on the status of the search for the Director of the Office of Child Protection. (14-3459)

Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz presented the job announcement for the Director of the Office of Child Protection approved by the Board of Supervisors and shared Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie's comments regarding the announcement in her absence. After discussion, Co-Chair Katz indicated this item may be placed on the agenda for further discussion if needed.

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5. Discussion on the size, scope and responsibilities of the Office of Child Protection. (14-3460)

There was no discussion on this item.

6. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Approved Relative Caregiver Funding Option Program (ARC). (14-3883)

The Transition Team briefly discussed the Approved Relative Caregiver Funding Option Program and Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz indicated the item will be calendared on a future agenda.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

7. Items not on the posted agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Transition Team subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (14-3875)

There were no items presented.

8. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Transition Team on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Transition Team. (14-3876)

No members of the public addressed the Transition Team.

9. Adjournment. (14-3878)

There being no further business to discuss, by Common Consent, there being no objection, the meeting adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Ayes: 6 - Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Antonia Jiménez, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague

Absent: 3 - Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Hon. Steve Cooley and David Sanders