



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON CHILD PROTECTION
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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Tuesday, November 26, 2013

6:00 PM

AUDIO AND VIDEO LINKS FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-5575)

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Present: Chair David Sanders, Vice Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Vice Chair Hon. Dickran M. Tevrizian (ret.), Commissioner Gabriella Holt, Commissioner Marilyn L. Flynn, Commissioner Richard Martinez, Commissioner Andrea L. Rich, Commissioner Janet Teague and Commissioner Hon. Terry B. Friedman (ret.) joined the meeting after roll call.

Absent: Commissioner Dan Scott

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order. (13-5445)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sanders at 6:01 p.m.

2. Approval of the November 15, 2013 regular meeting minutes. (13-5446)

On motion of Vice Chair Tevrizian, seconded by Commissioner Holt, and unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Ayes: 8 - Chair David Sanders, Vice Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Vice Chair Hon. Dickran M. Tevrizian (ret.), Commissioner Gabriella Holt, Commissioner Marilyn L. Flynn, Commissioner Richard Martinez, Commissioner Andrea L. Rich and Commissioner Janet Teague

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Hon. Terry B. Friedman (ret.) and Commissioner Dan Scott

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. PRESENTATIONS

3. Presentations by (times listed are approximate and may vary):

6:00 p.m. - Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) - Philip L. Browning, Director

7:00 p.m. - Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (DHS) - Dr. Mark Ghaly, Deputy Director for Community Health

Los Angeles County+USC Medical Center - Dr. Astrid Heger, Executive Director, Violence Intervention Program (13-5477)

Philip L. Browning, Director, Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and Fesia Davenport, Deputy Director, presented an overview of the Department's Budget Priorities and Strategic Plan and responded to questions posed by the Commission regarding the newly implemented simulation training, the Core Practice Model, the redesign of the Department's policy manual and DCFS' access to students' records with the Los Angeles Unified School District. In addition, Mr. Browning identified three recommendations of top priority to be; additional staff, simplify contract procedures and increase technology and resources.

Dr. Mark Ghaly, Deputy Director for Community Health and Pediatrician for the Department of Health Services (DHS), presented an overview of the Department's Prevention Model Expanding Efforts to Promote Child Safety, their recommended next steps and responded to questions posed by the Commission.

Dr. Astrid Heger, Executive Director, Violence Intervention Program, LAC+USC Medical Center, presented an overview of the Program's efforts on improving the safety and the outcomes for Foster Children and the HUB Concept. Dr. Heger identified the Program's long and short term recommendations and responded to questions posed by the Commission.

Members of the public, Terry Sigmund, Lori Martin, Helen Lynn, Melinda Waite, Zacari Nicasio and Rodica Moody addressed the Commission.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

4. Items not posted to the agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Commission, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-5448)

No matters were presented.

5. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-5449)

Members of the public, Zacari Nicasio, Terry Sigmund, Rodica Moody, Jordan Sigmund, Lori Martin and Helen Lynn addressed the Commission.

6. Adjournment. (13-5450)

Vice Chair Tevrizian reminded the Commission that the next meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Holt and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Ayes: 7 - Vice Chair Hon. Dickran M. Tevrizian (ret.), Commissioner Marilyn L. Flynn, Commissioner Hon. Terry B. Friedman (ret.), Commissioner Gabriella Holt, Commissioner Richard Martinez, Commissioner Andrea L. Rich and Commissioner Janet Teague

Absent: 3 - Chair David Sanders, Vice Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, and Commissioner Dan Scott