



# MINUTES

## IRVINE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

May 13, 2015

Irvine Civic Center  
Conference and Training Center  
One Civic Center Plaza  
Irvine, CA 92606

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### CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee (ICYFAC) was called to order on May 13, 2015, 5:33 p.m. at Irvine Civic Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California, in the Conference and Training Center; Chair Wertheimer-Gale presiding.

### ROLL CALL

Chair:	Diane Wertheimer-Gale	Appointed by: Councilmember Krom
Committee Member:	Nikki Aflatooni	High School Youth Action Team Rep
Committee Member:	Sandy Avzaradel	Irvine Unified Representative
Committee Member:	Nancy Colocino*	Irvine Prevention Coalition Rep
Committee Member:	Carolyn Inmon	Irvine Child Care Committee Rep
Committee Member:	Diana Jiang	Appointed by: Mayor Choi
Committee Member:	Marisa Lo	Appointed by: Councilmember Schott
Committee Member:	Ambica Makhija	High School Youth Action Team Rep
Committee Member:	Scott Schultz	Community Services Representative
Committee Member:	Jim Shute	Community Services Representative
Committee Member:	Cynthia Tang	High School Youth Action Team Rep
Member-At-Large:	Drew Motta**	Member-At-Large
Member-At-Large:	Jonathan Yong	Member-At-Large

\*Arrived 5:36 p.m.

\*\* Left at 6:40 p.m.

**ABSENT**

Committee Member: Theresa Collins  
Committee Member: Allison Moriarty

Appointed by: Councilmember Shea  
Appointed by: Councilmember Lalloway

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Community Services Manager Schneider-Jones introduced: Marisa Lo, newly appointed by Councilmember Schott; Jonathan Yong, newly appointed Member-at-Large; Carolyn Inmon, newly appointed Child Care Committee representative; and Drew Motta, reappointed Member-at-Large.

All members introduced themselves.

At this point in the meeting, Community Services Supervisor Adam Buchanan thanked the High School Youth Action Team members for their service on ICYFAC and summarized their accomplishments over the past year and future plans.

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Understanding the Early Developmental Index- Committee Member Avzaradel, Irvine Unified School District,

The Irvine Unified School District (IUSD) has begun using the Early Developmental Index (EDI) to assess school and developmental readiness of kindergarten students. The EDI is a checklist filled out by teachers on all kindergarten students, which measures five key domain areas including physical health and well-being; social competence; emotional maturity; language and cognitive development; and communication skills and general knowledge. Data is collected at each IUSD elementary school every three years. The EDI produces holistic, community-level measures of childhood development and identifies the percentage of children who are vulnerable and on track by developmental domain. Committee Member Avzaradel compared IUSD-specific data to the greater Orange County kindergarten population.

ICYFAC members discussed student demographics and EDI outcomes including the sub-domain areas with the highest percentage of children in the “not ready” category (i.e. prosocial and helping behaviors; overall social competence; and communication skills and general knowledge). Committee Members were asked to consider the implications of this data for the City of Irvine and how the information could impact programs and services.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Committee Member Colocino announced two upcoming Irvine Prevention Coalition activities:

- The regular Irvine Prevention Coalition meeting will be held on May 21 at City Hall and will feature Ross Szabo, CEO of the Human Power Project, who will present on positive steps to help teens manage stress.
- The 2015 Outstanding Supporters of Prevention Awards will be held on Saturday, May 30 at City Hall to recognize the outstanding achievements of parents, teachers, students, coalition partners, business leaders and other community leaders who have shown excellence in supporting children, youth and families in the community.

Committee Member Motta announced the Irvine Junior Games will be held on Sunday, May 17 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Irvine High School Stadium.

Manager Schneider-Jones announced the following:

- Irvine Children's Health Program Review Committee (*i*CHP Review Committee) Update

The *i*CHP Review Committee, made up of Chair Wertheimer-Gale, Committee Member Jiang, Committee Member Colocino, Manager Schneider-Jones and Senior Management Analyst Gruschka, met on April 2 to discuss the development of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for *i*CHP. The RFP was released to the public on April 23 and is due on May 15. The *i*CHP Review Committee will meet again on May 26 to review and rank the proposals. The contract with the Children's Health Initiative of Orange County, the City's current *i*CHP operator, will expire at the end of September.

- Community Education Forum Update

On April 30, author and educator Dr. Michelle Borba conducted a community education forum titled *Parents Do Make a Difference: Tools for Constructing Good Behavior, Strong Character and Resilience in Children*. More than 50 community members attended the forum held at City Hall. In addition, Dr. Borba provided an educational session geared toward child care providers on Friday, May 1; 50 providers were in attendance.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were none.

**ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

**DISCUSSION**

There was none.

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**1. MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Moved by Committee Member Colocino, seconded by Committee Member Schultz and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee meeting held February 25, 2015.

Ayes: 13 Aflatooni, Avzaradel, Colocino, Inmon, Jiang, Lo, Makhija, Motta, Schultz, Shute, Tang, Wertheimer-Gale, Yong  
Noes: 0  
Absent: 2 Collins, Moriarty

**2. APPOINTMENT OF IRVINE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OR CO-CHAIRS AND SECRETARY**

**ACTION:** It was moved by Chair Wertheimer-Gale, seconded by Committee Member Colocino, and passed unanimously by members present to elect Committee Member Inmon as Co-Chair of the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Committee Member Lo, seconded by Committee Member Jiang, and passed unanimously by members present to re-elect Chair Wertheimer-Gale as Co-Chair of the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Chair Wertheimer-Gale, seconded by Committee Member Colocino, and passed unanimously by members present to elect Committee Member Jiang as Co-Chair of the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee.

**ACTION:** It was moved by Committee Member Colocino, seconded by Committee Member Yong, and passed unanimously by members present to elect Committee Member Avzaradel as Secretary of the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT** at 6:48 p.m. on Wednesday, May 13, 2015.

  
Diane Wertheimer-Gale  
Committee Co-Chair

  
Laurie Gruschka  
Recording Secretary

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Date