



## Commission on Children and Youth

### January 14, 2025, Meeting Minutes

#### Meeting Location

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#### Attendance

##### Members Present

- Michael Jimenez
- Kirsten Andersen
- Shane Tate
- Molly McAlvanah
- Sara Rosen
- Nina Bersabal
- Greg Tucker
- Megan Pantellis
- Johnathan Berhane
- Jessica Isabella Berrellez
- Joelle Butuyan
- Rizwan Rana
- Chelsea Zhu
- Stephanie Clarke
- Ary Amerikaner
- Nandi Walcott
- Corinne Yourman

##### Members Not Present

- Kimberly Mclurkin Harris
- Leon Peace
- Dr. Keena Howell

## Proof of Quorum

The presence of 13 members confirmed a quorum at 6:37.

## Staff Present

- Jameela Hyland

## Guest Speakers

- Lori Garibay-Aquino, Chief of Children Youth and Family Services, DHHS

## Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:37PM.

## Welcome and Introductions

The Chair provided opening remarks and briefly highlighted the commission's business.

## Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The Review and Approval of December Meeting Minutes was approved by Kirsten and second by Chelsea.

## Review and Approve Meeting Agenda

The agenda was approved for the meeting at 6:38pm.

## Meeting Minutes Agenda Items

- The Commission heard a presentation from Lori Garibay-Aquino, Chief of Children, Youth and Families (CYF), on CYF's mission, priorities, emerging needs, and cross-agency initiatives, including the County's Youth Resilience Initiative. Ms. Garibay-Aquino highlighted key challenges facing youth and families, including workforce and facility capacity, program sustainability, and the importance of data-driven, equitable service delivery.
- Commissioners discussed initial framing for the Annual Report, emphasizing fewer, high-impact recommendations aligned with youth resiliency.
- The Commission received an update on the Youth Voice Roundtable, including proposed formats and next steps to finalize timing and outreach.
- The Dworkin Award Subcommittee reported on its work, and the Commission voted to move forward with the Dworkin Award cycle for this year.
- Next steps and upcoming meeting topics were reviewed.

## Next Meeting

The next meeting will February 11 at 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.