

**MAUI COUNTY  
COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH  
APRIL 29, 2008**

**MINUTES**

PRESENT: Rafael Boritzer, Edward Garcia, Ailina Laborte, Lis Richarson,  
Felecia Shin, Karen Wolfe.  
EXCUSED: Duke Sevilla, Wayne Yamashige  
STAFF: Kimberly Sloper, Deputy Corporation Counsel  
Mel Dadez, DHHC Administrative Assistant  
GUESTS: Lori Tshako, Deputy Director of Housing and Human Concerns

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:49 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 25, 2008 were approved (motion by Wolfe/second by Shin)

III. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Introduction and Swearing-In of New Commissioners

The three (3) new Commissioners, Edward Garcia, Ailina Laborte, and Lis Richardson were sworn in prior to the meeting.

B. Evaluation of Vision and Mission of Commission

Initial discussion by Commissioner Wolfe recommended being more specific on the Vision and Mission of the Commission. But upon input and consultation with Deputy Corporation Counsel Kim Sloper, it was determined that setting parameters would limit the Commission's scope of services. It was decided that the "Objectives, Duties and Functions" of the Commission, as stated in Chapter 2.39.030 of the Maui County code should not be revised.

C. Division of Commission into Task Oriented Projects

Chair Boritzer deferred this item to the next meeting. A survey sheet will be mailed to each Commissioner to get input and feedback on coming up with three or four areas of concern as it relates to Children and Youth. At the next meeting, the Commission members will then be assigned to these "Task Oriented Projects" based on their preference and "area of expertise".

D. Operational Strategies for the above.

This item was also deferred to the next meeting.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Child Safe Areas and Stickers

Commissioner Wolfe reported that she has been in communication with Lahainaluna High School's Art Department in designing the logo for the "Child Safe Sticker". Further discussion brought about the recommendation that it should be presented to all the schools. Commissioner Garcia volunteered that he could spread the word since he's a member on several DOE School Councils.

Deputy Corporation Counsel Kim Sloper raised issues regarding liability, enforcement, training, sponsorship, and risk factors.

Deputy Director of Housing and Human Concerns, Lori Tshako, recommended that a letter from the Commission be sent to the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, Vanessa Medeiros. The letter should include the Commission's proposal statement and request for possible sponsorship and funding.

Commissioner Wolfe will prepare the proposal statement and present it to the Commission at the next meeting.

B. Data Collection on Outstanding Children Related Issues

This item deferred to the next meeting due to the absence of Commissioners Duke Sevilla and Wayne Yamashige.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting is tentative scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m..