

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

**JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES**

July 26, 2007

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Henry Chang, Jr., Betty Olds

Non-Voting Directors: Alice Lai-Bitker

Alternates:

Staff: Mark Allen, Paul da Silva

Others:

Absent: Ken Bukowski, Beverly Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m.

1) **Open Forum**

No public comment.

2) **Director's Report**

Mr. Allen informed the JPA Board of Directors of the following:

- On August 11, 2007, Program staff, under the auspices of the County Health Officer, Dr. Anthony Iton, and in conjunction with the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN), would be conducting an educational outreach and blood lead screening project for children less than six years of age, residing at 2555-2557 Foothill Boulevard in Oakland. A program flyer announcing this event was developed and is now being circulated by ACORN (see attached).
- Maricela Narvaez-Foster, Program Operations Director, had been interviewed by Telemundo, Channel 14, in Spanish regarding lead-tainted Mexican candies made by De La Rosa Pulparindo. These were recently mentioned in the news as the latest wave of Mexican candies to be tested and found to have high levels of lead. Dul-Mex Guadalajara, Inc., the manufacturer, has issued a voluntary recall of this product and is working with the State to ensure that all products still in commerce are promptly removed.
- Councilmember Chang's endorsement on HUD XIII project pamphlets resulted in an increase in project applications for funds. Mr. Chang suggested drafting a letter to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, requesting that information on HUD XIII, and Program services, be distributed amongst its members.

3) **Staff Report**

Mr. Allen requested the discussion of the staff report, Water and Sand Blasting and other Unsafe Work Practices, be carried over until the following month's full Board meeting due to the absence of many Board members. The JPA Board agreed to the postponement.

4) **Approval of Minutes June 28, 2007**

Action: The Board approved the minutes for June 28, 2007

Moved: Mr. Chang **Seconded:** Ms. Olds **Ayes** 2

5) **Program Operations Committee**

a) **Minutes (July 12, 2007)**

b) **Health and Housing Services Report**

Mr. Allen reviewed the Health and Housing Services Report. There were no questions regarding this report.

6) **Administration and Finance Committee**

a) **Minutes (July 12, 2007)**

7) **Announcements by Board Members**

None.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

PROGRAM OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

August 9, 2007

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Ken Bukowski, Betty Olds

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy

Alternates:

Staff: Mark Allen, Paul da Silva

Others: None

Absent: Henry Chang, Jr., Beverly Johnson, Alice Lai-Bitker

1) **Open Forum**

Mr. Allen informed the JPA Board of Directors that Vice-Mayor Chang, Mayor Johnson and Supervisor Alice Lai-Bitker would not be attending today's meetings due to conflicts with their schedules.

2) **Director's Report**

Mr. Allen circulated the following to the JPA Board of Directors:

- Press release, written by ACORN, for the Foothill blood lead screening and lead education event to be held on August 11, 2007 (see attached). This event is located at the Foothill/San Antonio area of Oakland at a 61-unit building where over 50 children were identified to be less than six years of age.
- Fisher-Price product recall of 1.5 million figures and toys that were manufactured between April 19, 2007 and July 6, 2007, and sold alone or as part of sets. The surface paint of these character toys could contain lead. A list of these toys was provided to the JPA Board (see attached).

4) **Health and Housing Services Report**

Mr. Allen and the JPA Board Members reviewed the Health and Housing Services Report. There were no questions regarding these reports.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

August 9, 2007

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Ken Bukowski, Betty Olds

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy

Alternates:

Staff: Mark Allen, Paul da Silva

Others: None

Absent: Henry Chang, Jr., Beverly Johnson, Alice Lai-Bitker

1) **Open Forum**

No public comment.

2) **Director's Report**

Mr. Allen requested the JPA Board of Directors postpone the scheduled Board workshop from October 17, 2007 to November 8, 2007, at which time three meetings are normally scheduled. He said this rescheduling is necessary to address conflicts with both Supervisor Alice Lai-Bitker's and Mayor Johnson's schedules. Mr. Bukowski added that he would need to request a change in the June's JPA Board meeting's date as well. He said he would make a suggestion at a future time when he had more details.

Mr. Allen asked the JPA Board of Directors if the date for presenting the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County and the Joint Powers Authority could also be postponed until October, instead of September as originally scheduled. He said he had spoken to the Assistant County Counsel, Brian Washington, and was informed that due to Mr. Washington's schedule, he didn't believe discussions of this MOU with the four CSA city attorneys could not take place until October.

Mr. Bukowski requested staff provide JPA Board members "Talking Points" on timely projects or issues. This would provide the JPA Board members with information that could be shared with their respective City Councils and the public. Mr. Bukowski said, Emeryville City Council members, like others, are called upon to provide information to the public on what meetings they attend, and this would provide an excellent opportunity to inform the public of new developments in lead poisoning prevention. Mr. Allen responded that he thought that was an excellent idea, and staff would begin working on Mr. Bukowski's request.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.