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**Agenda Item No. 1
July 2, 2008 Meeting**

DATE: June 18, 2008
TO: Children and Families Commission of Orange County
FROM: Michael M. Ruane, Executive Director *Michael M. Ruane*
SUBJECT: **Commission Planning Meeting Update**

SUMMARY:

The Children and Families Commission of Orange County's Annual Planning Meeting was held on June 4, 2008 and focused on the Commission's strategies to safeguard the long-term funding commitments and recommendations from The Bridgespan Group. Outline Notes from the meeting are attached.

A full report and presentation will be provided by Christina Altmayer at your July meeting as part of Agenda Item No. 7.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Receive report.

ATTACHMENT:

June 4, 2008 Planning Meeting Outline Notes

Contact: Kelly Pijl

**Children and Families of Orange County
Annual Planning Meeting/ Commission Direction
June 4, 2008**

- ◆ Opportunities to work across areas of expertise (MIND, HABLA, Think Together)
 - Conjoin math and literacy strategies
 - Inform/challenge educational community to address vocabulary gaps in language development in high need areas
 - Structure strategies to a broad population = “population” level interventions
 - Recognizing gaps in professional workforce
 - Recruit parents/ Parent professionals from other programs
 - Address parent language development, in any language
 - Reach Out and Read and HABLA -*parent involvement is important*
 - Blend programs within neighborhoods
 - Must have strong parent involvement as community education (Parents better “deliveries” than professionals)
 - Look at KidBuilders and Kit for New Parents
 - Adapt implementation of effective programs into other environments (i.e. start ROR in OB offices)
 - Explore technology - cell phone
 - Forums (Home Based/ School Based/ Learning Centers)
 - YMCA
 - Discovery Center
 - Other potential venues?
- ◆ Resources
 - High School students
 - Community College
 - Teen Philanthropic Organizations
 - Workforce Development/Private Partnership
 - Link HABLA with workforce development efforts - promote child and family learning
 - Chambers of Commerce
- ◆ Focus on Target Communities per Bridgespan Assessment
 - Santa Ana
 - Anaheim
 - Garden Grove