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**COURT APPOINTED COUNSEL FUNDING ALLOCATION
METHODOLOGY JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE**

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

July 16, 2015

2:00–4:20 p.m.

Judicial Council Conference Center, San Francisco

Advisory Body Members Present by Phone: *Hon. Jerilyn L. Borack, Co-Chair, Hon. Mark Ashton Cope, Co-Chair, Hon. C. Todd Bottke, Hon. Carolyn M. Caietti, Ms. Sherri R. Carter, Hon. Kimberly Nystrom-Geist, Hon. Winifred Younge Smith, Mr. David Yamasaki, Hon. Daniel Zeke Zeidler*

Advisory Body Members Absent: *Mr. Jake Chatters, Hon. Thomas DeSantos, Hon. Cindee F. Mayfield*

Others Present: *Mr. Steven Chang, Ms. Audrey Fancy, Mr. Don Will, Dr. Daniel Webster, PhD. (speaker), Ms. Alicia Sandoval (speaker)*

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The cochairs called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m., and took roll call.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were not circulated.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1–6)

Item 1 Question and Answer and Discussion: Quantifying Attorney Caseload

***Action:** Ms. Sandoval, California Department of Social Services, and Dr. Webster, U.C. Berkeley Center for Social Services Research, presented on the source and analysis of the child welfare data used in the current caseload model and answered questions from members. The members then discussed the charts on court filings and child welfare case counts provided in the materials, and requested information on the data definitions and rules used by the courts to count dependency filings.*

Item 2 Progress Report: Review of Research Plan

Action: The joint subcommittee reviewed the update on research plan provided in the materials and received a status report from staff on when outstanding items would be completed. It was decided to add, in section 3 on Workload Factors, focus groups with court appointed counsel, focusing on the current workload model and gathering information on the need for updates.

Item 3 Discussion: Attorney Workload on a Dependency Case

Action: The joint subcommittee reviewed plans for a survey of dependency counsel managers and made suggestions. A revised draft will be provided for further comment.

Item 4 Next meetings

Action: The joint subcommittee set the week of August 17 as the period for staff to plan the next conference call.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Pending approval by the advisory body on August 20, 2015.