CCASSC Quarterly Meeting
February 20-21, 2014
Action Minutes

1. General discussion about the “59th County” and the associated fiscal implications.
   **Action:** K. Woodard will gather information to share with consortium members.

2. Lee Collins briefly updated on the planning that has occurred to date for the 2014 CWDA Director’s Conference in October. Suggestions for workshop presentations and speakers are welcomed.
   **Action:** Email David with suggestions for the CWDA conference.

3. The 2014 CCASSC Budget was presented and reviewed.
   **Action:** The 2014 budget was adopted by unanimous vote.
   **Action:** D. Foster and S. Montana will draft a proposed 2015 Budget for review with options that will reduce the year-to-year carry-over of funds. Options will focus on increasing the research and technical assistance services that support member counties.

4. P. Poulsen gave a verbal overview of the 2014 CCASSSC Research Plan. Critical issues and research topics for 2014 include:
   - Continued emphasis on poverty and use of GIS as a tool for policy and program implementation/evaluation
   - CSEC
   - Drought and its impact on the health and well-being of Central California residents
   - Health Care Reform
   - Katie A.
   **Action:** Patty will distribute the written version of the research plan to all members

5. S. Montana led a discussion which helped formulate a list of roundtable topics for the April 2014 dialogue with Fresno State President Castro.
   **Action:** S. Montana will provide President Castro’s office with the topics and facilitate his visit.

6. R. Ringstad (on behalf of NASW Central Valley Unit) is seeking a stronger connection with county human service professionals. The NASW CV unit serves several CCASSC member counties: Calaveras, Merced, Mariposa, San Joaquin, and Stanislaus.
   In an effort to build a stronger connection, it is proposed that each county served by the CV Unit recruit two representatives to serve as a “bridge” between the NASW CV Unit and county staff. Their role would be to help facilitate building a social work “community” and help identify/develop training that social workers want/need in the region.
   **Action:** Liz Breshears (CSU, Stanislaus) will email Directors from the five identified counties to identify potential representatives.
7. J. Rydingsword recommended that the region use CCASSC to facilitate a formal partnership between counties and the universities to focus on CSEC solutions. 
**Action**: It was agreed that a partnership was valuable and should be formed. 
P. Poulsen will organize a conference call to discuss next steps, which will likely include a regional convening hosted by one of the universities. Volunteers for the call: Jim R. (San Benito), Robin R. (CSU, Stanislaus), Sal M., Mitzi Lowe, and David F. (Fresno State), Kelly W. (Madera), Lee C. (San Luis Obispo).

8. D. Foster forwarded a request from Virginia Hernandez for $2,000 from CCASSC funds to support a workshop on Motivational Interviewing with substance abuse/domestic violence families. The workshop will be included in the upcoming (3/28/14) Harry Specht Memorial Child Welfare Symposium at Fresno State. 
**Action**: The request for support was approved unanimously.