



The San Mateo County Child Abuse Prevention Council

Minutes: December 16, 2019

Call to Order: 10.45

Present: Brittney Reiser (CORA), Araceli Garcia (Star Vista), LaRay Hilt (CASA), Silvia Campos (CFS), Kristine Averilla (Family Health), Stephanie Loera (Family Connections), Randy Torrijos (Board of Supervisors), Ivette Huerta (BHRS-Preto3), Omar Sanders (Family Connections), Maria Del Rio (Star Vista)..

Item: Public Comment/Brown Act – No members of the public requested to comment.

Introductions – Omar handed out flyers for open enrollment for Family Connections. La Ray announced that with a Medi-Cal card and /or ID caretakers and kids are being admitted to the California Academy of Science for only \$3.00 and this is valid for up to three people on one card.

Item: 2020 Preview – The schedule of presentations for 2020 was discussed. There are 4 already set up – Cindy Donis and Toni DeMarco on Trauma (January), Tricia Tayama and Miriam Wolf on the Keller Center (February), Maribeth Viray on Family Health (March) and Cindy Marroquin on Self Care (April). The group suggested Immigration Issues as a topic for either one of both of the remaining months of the fiscal year. They gave Jane some suggestions of presenters and she will put something together.

Randy discussed the proclamation for April (Child Abuse Prevention Month). He suggested that CAPC might want to put together a brief presentation for the Board of Supervisors about an issue that should be getting more attention or a new issue. He and Jane will set up the April date and then the group will decide how to approach the subject.

Item: Next Steps/Issues – Maria and LaRay raised an issue of adolescents not attending school. This problem has a system-wide array of causes and while it is a huge subject some suggestions were made to empower parents, reach out to the kids and get more involvement from the school districts. This is a big topic and the group will think of ways it might be addressed in a presentation. It involves so many of the County's resources it is difficult to pinpoint any one solution but a discussion of possible approaches would be helpful.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00.

NEXT MEETING – January 27, 2020, 10:45-12:00

Meeting Adjourned: Time

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