



MONTEREY COUNTY CHILDREN'S COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Katy Castagna, CEO, United Way Monterey County (Josh Madfis, Alternate)

Deneen Guss, Ed.D., Superintendent, Monterey County Office of Education, (Ernesto Vela, Alternate)

Elsa Jimenez, Director, Health Dept. (Dr. Edward Moreno, Health Officer, Alternate)

Lori Medina, Director, Dept. of Social Services (Roderick Franks, Alternate)

Todd Keating, Chief, Probation Department (Jose Ramirez, Alternate)

MEMBERS

José Arreola, Community Alliance for Safety and Peace Jaskiart "Jessica" Bhardwaj, Alternate)

Dan Baldwin, Community Foundation for Monterey County, (Laurel Lee-Alexander, Alternate)

Stephen Bernal, Sheriff (Jayne Surbeck, Alternate)

Dan Burns, Superintendent, Salinas Union School District (Randy Bangs, Alternate)

Susan Chapman, Public Defender (Ashley Butler, Alternate)

Laura Dunn, Child Care Planning Council (TBD, Alternate)

Katy Eckert, Behavioral Health (Marni Sandoval, Alternate)

Les Girard, County Counsel (Annette Cutino, Alternate)

Tory Gunsolley, Housing Authority of Monterey County (TBD, Alternate)

Monica Lal, Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

Sam Lavorato Jr., Judge, Superior Court, Juvenile Justice Division (TBD, Alternate)

Lori Luzader, Special Kids Connect

Robin McCrae, Community Human Services (Shirley Milleco, Alternate)

Laura Neal, Department of Social Services (Jessica Perez-Martinez, Alternate)

Eduardo Ochoa, Ph.D., CSUMB (Michael Applegate, Alternate)

Jeannine Pacioni, District Attorney (Marisol Mendez, Alternate)

Virginia R. Pierce, Child Abuse Prevention Council (Julia Cooper Altman, Alternate)

Francine Rodd, Monterey County First 5 Commission (Beth Reeves-Fortney, Alternate)

Wendy Root Askew, Supervisor District 4, (Eric Mora, Alternate)

Susan Swick, Ohana Montage Health

Hillary Theyer, Monterey County Free Libraries (Berenice Astengo, Alternate)

Gina Uccelli, Washington Union School District (Daniel Stonebloom, Alternate)

Mission

The Children's Council provides leadership and policy direction to encourage the development of a comprehensive and collaborative

GENERAL MEETING

ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING

Monday, October 10, 2022

12:00-1:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85302771342>

AGENDA

- Welcome** – Lori Medina, Chair
- Public Comment** for items not on the agenda (limited to 3 minutes per person)
- Action Items:**
 - Adoption of a Resolution Number XIV, pursuant to AB 361 to find that as a result of the continuing Covid-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom, holding Children's Council meetings in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees – *Attached*
 - Approve the minutes of the September 12, 2022, Monterey County Children's Council meeting – *Attached*
- Presentations/Discussions:**
 - Setting the Stage: Using a Reflective Approach – Monica Mathur-Kalluri and Tala Ghanous, WestEd
 - Local Community Schools Initiatives presentation, Dr. Vela, MCOE, and Alma Cervantes, Building Healthy Communities
 - Reflection – group breakouts
 - Group Discussion
- Updates/Announcements**
- Adjourn**

Next meeting: November 14, 2022

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Council Member	Appointed Council Member or Alternate	Affiliation	Title	Present
Applegate, Michael	Alternate	CSU Monterey Bay	Interim Director	
Arreola, Jose	Member	Community Alliance for Safety and Peace	Director	X
Askew, Wendy	Member	District #4	Supervisor	
Astengo, Berenice	Alternate	Monterey County Free Libraries	Managing Librarian	
Baldwin, Dan	Member	Community Foundation for Monterey Co.	President/CEO	
Bernal, Stephen	Member	Office of the Sheriff	Sheriff	
Bhardwaj, Jaskiart "Jessica"	Alternate	City of Salinas		
Burns, Dan	Member	Salinas Union school District	Superintendent	X
Butler, Ashley	Alternate	Public Defender Office	Public Defender	X
Castagna, Katy	Member	United Way Monterey County	President and CEO	X
Chapman, Susan	Member	Public Defender Office	Public Defender	
Cutino, Annette	Alternate	County Counsel	Deputy County Counsel	
Dunn, Laura	Member	Child Care Planning Council	Chair	X
Eckert, Katy	Member	Behavioral Health	Director	
Franks, Roderick	Alternate	Department of Social Services		X
Girard, Les	Member	County Counsel	County Counsel	
Gunsolley, Tory	Member	Monterey County Housing Authority	Executive Director	
Guss, Deneen	Member	Monterey County Office of Education	Superintendent	X
Jimenez, Elsa	Member	Monterey County Health Department	Director of Health	X

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Keating, Todd	Member	Probation	Chief	X
Lavorato, Sam Jr.	Member	Superior Court, Juvenile Justice Division	Judge	X
Lee-Alexander, Laurel	Alternate	Community Foundation for Monterey County	Vice President Community Impact	
Luzader, Lori	Member	Special Kids Connect	Executive Director	
Madfis, Josh	Alternate	United Way Monterey County	Vice President Community Investments	
McCrae, Robin	Member	Community Human Services	Executive Director	
Medina, Lori	Member	Department of Social Services	Director	X
Mendez, Marisol	Alternate	Monterey County District Office	Assistant District Attorney	X
Mora, Eric	Alternate	District #4	Policy Analyst	X
Moreno, Dr. Edward	Alternate	Monterey County Health Department	Health Officer & Director of Public Health	
Neal, Laura	Member	Department of Family and Children Services	Deputy Director	X
	Member	CSU Monterey Bay	President	
Pacioni, Jeannine	Member	Monterey County District Attorney Office	District Attorney	
Pierce, Virginia R.	Member	CAPC	Director	X
Ramirez, Jose	Alternate	Probation Department	Assistant Chief	
Reeves-Fortney, Beth	Alternate	First 5 of Monterey County	Director of Programs	
Rodd, Francine	Member	First 5 of Monterey County	Executive Director	X
Sandoval, Marni	Alternate	Behavioral Health	Director	X
Stonebloom, Daniel	Alternate	Lagunita Elementary School District	Superintendent	

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Surbeck, Jayne	Alternate	Office of the Sheriff	Administrative Assistant-Confidential	
Theyer, Hillary	Member	Monterey County Free Libraries	Director	
Uccelli, Gina	Member	Washington Union School District	Superintendent	X
Bangs, Randy	Alternate	Soledad School District	Superintendent	
Vela, Ernesto	Alternate	MCOE	Director	X
Whilden, Heidi	Alternate	Superior Court, Juvenile Division	Judge	
Wouden, Michelle	Alternate	Public Defenders Office	Public Defender	
Koehler, Sonja	Non-Member	Bright Beginnings	Director	X
Perez Diaz, Mayra	Non-Member	United Way	Coordinator of MCCC and Community Impact Director, Early Childhood Investments	X
Mathur-Kalluri, Monica	Guest	WestEd		X
Uppman, Kat	Guest			X
Swick, Susan	Guest			X
Lal, Monica	Guest			X
Foster, Julia	Guest			X
Yasmine	Gies			X
Cervantes, Alma				X

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Item	Summary of discussion/review	Action/deliverable
1. Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Chair, Lori Medina	
2. Public Comment		None
3. Action Items a. Consider adoption of a Resolution XIII pursuant to AB 361 to find that as a result of the continuing Covid-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom, holding Children's Council meetings in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees b. Approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022, Children's Council General Assembly meeting c. Approve member At Large seat, Monica Lal, Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce d. Approve member for At Large seat, Dr. Susan Swick, Ohana Montage Health		a. The Resolution XIII pursuant to AB361 was approved. Motion by Katy Castagna. Seconded by Todd Keating. Vote. Passed. b. The Children's Council meeting minutes of August 8, 2022, were approved. Motion by Francine Rodd. Seconded by Jose Arreola. Vote. Passed. c. Member for the At Large seat, Monica Lal was approved. Motion by Wendy Askew. Second by Katy Castagna. Vote. Passed. d. Member for the At Large seat, Dr. Susan Swick was approved. Motion by Wendy Askew. Second by Deneen Guss. Vote. Passed.

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<p>4. Presentations/Discussions</p> <p>a. Setting the Stage: Using a Reflective Approach</p> <p>b. Community School Initiatives presentation</p> <p>5. Updates/Announcements</p>	<p>Monica Mathur-Kalluri and Tala Ghantous from West Ed provided an overview to the COUNCIL on the continued reflective approach path they will follow through the rest of the fiscal year.</p> <p>Dr. Navdeep Purewal presented to the COUNCIL high level overview of community schools initiatives around the state.</p> <p>Deneen Guss – September 13 @ 1:30pm Bob Hoover Academy Ribbon cutting at large hanger at Salinas Airport.</p> <p>Jose Arreola – March for Peach October 1 @ 2pm Closter Park.</p>	
6. Meeting Adjourned		1:30p.m.

Resolution Number XIV

A RESOLUTION OF THE MONTEREY COUNTY CHILDREN'S COUNCIL PROCLAIMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY, RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION ON MARCH 4, 2021, AND AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE MONTEREY COUNTY CHILDREN'S COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 13, 2022 THROUGH NOVEMBER 9, 2022 PURSUANT TO BROWN ACT PROVISIONS.

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Children's Council is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in its meetings; and

WHEREAS, all meetings of Monterey County Children's Council are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch the Council conduct their business; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition is that a state of emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to Government Code section 8625, proclaiming the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the state caused by conditions as described in Government Code section 8558; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation is made when there is an actual incident, threat of disaster, or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the jurisdictions that are within the County's boundaries, caused by natural, technological, or human-caused disasters; and

WHEREAS, it is further required that state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or, the legislative body meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, such conditions now exist in Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Children's Council does hereby find that the current state of emergency and the September 22, 2021 recommendation by the Monterey County Health Department that public agencies continue to operate via remote meetings for the purpose of preventing the transmission of COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the local emergency, the Monterey County Children's Council shall conduct their meetings without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54953, as authorized by subdivision (e) of section 54953, and that such coordinating bodies shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of section 54953; and

WHEREAS, meetings of the Monterey County Children's Council will be available to the public via zoom link listed on the agenda;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MONTEREY COUNTY CHILDREN'S COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Proclamation of Local Emergency. The Monterey County Children's Council hereby proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout the County, and as of September 22, 2021, the Monterey County Health Department continues to recommend that physical and social distancing strategies be practiced in Monterey County, which includes remote meetings of legislative bodies of local agencies, to the extent possible.

Section 3. Ratification of Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency. The Council hereby ratifies the Governor of the State of California's Proclamation of State of Emergency, effective as of its issuance date of March 4, 2020.

Section 4. Remote Teleconference Meetings. The Monterey County Children's Council is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution including, conducting open and public meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

Section 5. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) November 9, 2022, or such time the Monterey County Children's Council adopts a subsequent resolution in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which Monterey County Children's Council and its committees may continue to teleconference without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 54953.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Monterey County Children's Council, this ____ day of October 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN: