

Executive Committee
Monterey County Children's Council
October 4, 2018
901 Blanco Circle Salinas, CA

Executive Committee Members Present: Katy Castagna ∞ Elsa Jimenez

Others Present: Cynthia Holmsky-Nelson ∞ Sonja Khoeler ∞ Mayra Perez Diaz ∞ Francine Rodd

Welcome

Castagna called meeting to order at 8:12am.

Administrative Items

There was no quorum, therefore minutes for September 9, 2018 meeting could not be approved.

Information/Discussion:

- I. Debrief of September General Assembly meeting and plan for October meeting
 - a. Members discussed finalizing details for the "Champion for Children" award. Language for the award photo collage was agreed as follows:
"In recognition for innovation and leadership in implementing impactful policy and system change for the well-being of children and youth.
 - b. City of Gonzales to decide when to have recognition presentation at their city council and have MCCC representatives attend. Date to be determined. Perez Diaz to check in with Kotowski.
 - c. Members agreed to have Chair provide luncheon for this annual award to not exceed \$300. First 5 will sponsor this year's luncheon and cake. Perez-Diaz will coordinate with Nina Alcaraz of First 5 to send out invitation, media press release with input/feedback from Kotowski.
 - d. Castagna informed members Matt Huerta from MBEP would be the guest speaker to present on housing context for the September meeting.
 - e. Jimenez suggest giving another update on HEAP \$12.5 million grant as she and Espinosa both sit on Leadership group. Jimenez will provide a handout and present the update to the council on how as a community we can best utilize funds or support the success of implementation of this one-time funding.
 - f. Castagna expressed framing the discussion on housing on impact of children well-being as Kotowski had been proposing the last couple of meetings to keep the topic around the council's mission. Members agreed. Castagna will be sure to informed Matt to present in that context.
 - g. Khoeler is Interim Manager for Bright Beginings while Kennedy-Chouane is out on maternity leave. Khoeler will present on the new executive order on new items added as a public charge. She will provide a handout to pass out to members.

General Assembly Agenda Setting

- I. Action Items
 - a. Approve the minutes of the September 10, 2018 Monterey County Children's Council meeting
 - b. Date Change for November General Assembly meeting to November 5, 2018

- II. Presentations
 - a. Homelessness and affordable housing
 - o Elsa Jimenez, Monterey County Health Department
 - o Matt Huerta, Monterey Bay Economic Partnership (MBEP)
 - a. New public charge proposal
 - o Sonja Koehler, Bright Beginnings

III. Information/Announcements

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:18am