

Executive Committee
Monterey County Children's Council (MCCC)
August 12, 2019
901 Blanco Circle, Superintendent Office, Salinas, CA

Executive Committee Members Present: Katy Castagna, Deneen Guss, Elsa Jimenez, Lori Medina, Marcia Parsons

Others Present: Cynthia Holmsky, Mayra Perez Diaz, Francine Rodd

Welcome

Elsa Jimenez called meeting to order at 1:46pm.

Action Items

Deneen Guss motioned to approve the July 29, 2019 meeting minutes and Lori Medina seconded.

Motion approved.

Discussion

- I. Review MCCC Bylaws and discuss suggest changes
 - a. Members reviewed bylaws and had a rich discussion for suggested changes. Some suggested changes were adding clarifying language of initiatives and when they are ready to spin off, term limits, adding Vice Chair and Secretary language to EC.
 - b. Katy Castagna reached out to the National Association of Children Cabinets for example of bylaws. There are a few children cabinets in CA to review bylaw examples.
 - c. Elsa Jimenez proposed all suggested changes be sent to Mayra Perez Diaz to include in draft document by 8/20/19.
 - d. Mayra Perez Diaz and Elsa Jimenez will work on revisions to have a draft for EC members to review at the next meeting and present to the council at October meeting.

- II. Review MCCC membership and discuss recruitment efforts
 - a. Members discussed tabling any further discussion of membership recruitment until after bylaws draft is complete as there are no current vacancies.
 - b. Mayra Perez Diaz will review past Children's Council minutes and Susie McKee will look at Legistar for Category C to begin enforcing attendance and or stagger start dates for new members.
 - c. There is transition in Category B with Hector Rico's departure. Deneen Guss will take item back to the Superintendent Council this month for a vote to fill this vacant position.
 - d. For university and college membership, Deneen Guss and Katy Castagna will reach out to see who these entities can assign to the council for appropriate representation at MCCC.

VII. Debrief of August General Assembly meeting and plan for September meeting

- a. Members agreed Relindis Diaz did a wonderful job facilitating the discussion of the film “Resilience: The Biology of Stress and the Science of Hope.” There was great discussion as a council
- b. Members agreed to change dates of the September and November General Assembly and Executive meetings due to issue of establishing quorum and holiday. Rescheduled meeting dates are September 16 and November 4.
- c. Location of meeting will may change as of September. Deneen Guss will let Mayra Perez Diaz know soon as she has final confirmation of new building being ready of use.
- d. Deneen proposed having a presentation of Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) from the school districts for the next council meeting. Members agreed.
- e. Possible option for October presentation will be from the Governance Council on interconnection system through County departments.
- f. Katy proposed providing an update on the Active Referral Network (ARN) a smart referral system through United Way at the next meeting. Members agreed. Katy will check if Josh Madfis or Clare Marganson may be available. If they are not, it can be a presentation to add for the October meeting.

General Assembly Agenda Setting

Action items:

- Approve the minutes of the June 10, 2019 Monterey County Children’s Council Meeting

Discussion:

- a. Bright Beginnings Update – Sonja Koehler
- b. Multi-Tiered System of Support Presentation – Caryn Lewis, MCOE
- c. Active Referral Network System Update – Josh Madfis or Clare Marganson

Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 1:33pm.