

**Executive Committee
Monterey County Children's Council (MCCC)
November 4, 2019
901 Blanco Circle, Superintendent Office, Salinas, CA**

Executive Committee Members Present: Katy Castagna, Deneen Guss, Todd Keating, Lori Medina

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

Welcome

Deneen Guss called meeting to order at 1:42pm.

Action Items

Katy Castagna motioned to approve the October 14, 2019 meeting minutes and Lori Medina seconded.

Motion approved.

Discussion

- I. Debrief of November General Assembly meeting and plan for December meeting
 - a. Members agreed the presentation was very informative and the presenters did a wonderful job facilitating and answering council member questions.
 - b. Members agreed more time must be left during the meeting for discussion and questions after presentation. Presentation time parameters were set as follows: 25-minute presentation and 15 minutes for Q and A
 - c. Members discussed asking Robin McCrae of Community Human Services (CHS) to present at the next meeting. The members viewed the services CHS are a good Segway from this past presentation. Members particularly would like to have some focus of the presentation on the services that may be eliminated due to funding. This may bring the opportunity for the COUNCIL rally around advocacy for further funding or alignment. Mayra Perez Diaz was tasked to follow up with Robin McCrae.
 - d. If CHS is unable to present, Dr. Swick from Ohana Services can be asked to present as well.
 - e. After further discussion it was determined the Bright Future Bright Spot event on March 5, 2020 would be more fitting to present the Champion for Children Award as it aligns better with mission and guiding principles of this year's event theme.
 - f. Mayra Perez Diaz informed the members subcommittees for Annual Report and Champions for Children Award are meeting later this month. Updates to come next meeting.

General Assembly Agenda Setting

Action items:

- Approve the minutes of the December 9, 2019 Monterey County Children's Council Meeting
- Approve Designated Alternate Daniel Stonebloom for Member Gina Uccelli

Discussion/Presentation:

- a. Bright Beginnings Update – Sonja Koehler
- b. Community Human Services Presentation – Robin McCrae

Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 2:30pm.