



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council

REGULAR MEETING NOTES
TUESDAY – JANUARY 17, 2017
County Operations Center (COC)
5560 Overland Avenue, Room 171
San Diego, CA 92123
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Voting Members Present: *Hon. Judge Caietti, Kimberly Giardina (for Cathi Palatella, Chair), Rueben Littlejohn (for Chief Adolfo Gonzales), and Emerald Randolph*

Absent: *Betsy Burns, Chief Adolfo Gonzales, Cathi Palatella (Chair), Twila Perucci, Larry Richman, and Anna Williams*

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Kim Giardina called the meeting of the Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council (CAPCC) to order at 3:02 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes – October 18, 2016 (Motion/Second/Vote)

There was not a quorum present, so approval of the minutes for the October 18, 2016 meeting will be voted on at the next meeting on April 18, 2017.

III. Public Comment

The Public Relations Officer for Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA), Big Apple, explained that BACA was founded by a child therapist who worked with kids to prepare them for court, but later found that kids were too intimidated to testify due to the presence of their “abuser.” She clarified that BACA’s mission is to empower abused children. Among their services is to help kids to feel safe, especially in court, through BACA’s affiliation and presence. This is done via referral process from a guardian or parent. BACA has no interaction with the “abusers,” nor are they privy to confidential information. To make a referral, contact Nana C., Child Liaison, at the BACA Hotline, (619) 318-9618 or NanaC@sd-ca.bacaworld.org. For more information, contact Big Apple at BigApple@sd-ca.bacaworld.org.

IV. Report from the Chair (Kimberly Giardina)

- *Presentations will be given later in this meeting on legislation that was enacted on January 1, 2017, that will significantly change the way CWS operates.*
- *Many community partners that attend this meeting helped with the development of the State Improvement Plan (SIP), which will be put into place from March 2017 through 2022. Please attend the April 18, 2017 meeting to review the final results of the SIP.*

V. New Business (Kevin Hauck, CWS Contracts Manager/CAPCC Coordinator, and Selina Brollini, Intergenerational Coordinator for CWS)

Events for 2017:

- *Kevin announced that the next annual CAPCC STARS Awards breakfast is scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2017, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. A venue and speaker have not yet been selected, but last year this successful event was held at the DoubleTree Hotel in Mission Valley, with keynote speaker Cheryl Charles who addressed the nature deficit and how important it is for children to play and interact in nature. The purpose of this event is to recognize groups or individuals in the community and in government that greatly contribute to child abuse prevention. Nomination forms will be distributed as soon as possible. Please save the date on your calendar. For more information, contact Sharon at Sharon.Ippolito@sdcounty.ca.gov.*
- *Selina announced that the 3rd annual Parenting Expo event is scheduled for Saturday, April 29, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This successful event was previously held at the Sheraton Hotel on Aero Drive and*

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The Jacobs Center. This year, it is being held in the North Region at the California Center for the Arts in Escondido. All parents in San Diego are invited to participate at this free event. There will be a keynote speaker, resource tables, break out sessions, and a closing speaker. The committee, which Selina chairs, is still in the progress of finding a keynote speaker, but the closing speaker will be Kimberly Giardina, who will be hosting a panel of parents and grandparents for Q&A. Kimberly reiterated that this event is for EVERY parent in San Diego County, not just foster parents or any specific group. For more information, contact Selina at Selina.Brollini@sdcounty.ca.gov.

- *Selina also announced that the date for the next Foster Youth Intergenerational Games is scheduled for Saturday, March 11, 2017, at Point Loma Nazarene. The Foster Youth Intergenerational Games started in 2002 at South Bay Olympic Training Center, and involves pairing up adults with foster youth to play Olympic-style games (e.g., hoola-hooping, relay games, etc.). Starting this year, adults can be any age (previously over 50) and youth are 12 to 18 years old. It provides physical activity and nutritional information through the ages. A flier will be forthcoming via email. For more information, contact Selina at Selina.Brollini@sdcounty.ca.gov.*

VI. Old Business

There were no items to discuss.

VII. Public Forum

The following presentations were made:

- *Continuum of Care Reform (CCR).*
 - *Presented by Charisma De Los Reyes, Policy Analyst, CWS.*
 - *CCR officially began on 1/1/17, but there was at least a year of development prior to that.*
 - *Permanency is key; it builds resilience.*
 - *Working with transitional youth to help them transition into a successful adulthood.*
 - *A copy of the CCR PowerPoint presentation will be uploaded to the CAPCC web site.*
 - *For more information, contact Charisma at Charisma.DeLosReyes@sdcounty.ca.gov.*
- *Resource Family Approval (RFA).*
 - *Presented by Veronica Sarabia, Policy Analyst, CWS.*
 - *Resource Family is a new family-centered means of approving caregivers, relative home approvals and foster parents. Everyone will go through same approval process; there will be uniform approval standards. Relative caregivers will now receive trainings, home approvals, inspections, etc.*
 - *Includes comprehensive psychosocial assessment, home environment check and training for all families, including relatives.*
 - *A copy of the RFA PowerPoint presentation will be uploaded to the CAPCC web site.*
 - *For more information, contact Veronica at Veronica.Sarabia@sdcounty.ca.gov.*

VIII. Announcements

The following announcements were made:

- *Leslie McKay, of the San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program (SDVLP) announced an upcoming resource fair to be held on Saturday, March 25th at the Jacobs Center, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free legal services, medical services, and social services are being offered. Everyone is invited. Leslie will forward a flier, which will be distributed to the CAPCC mailing list and posted to the CAPCC web site.*
- *Charisma De Los Reyes announced the upcoming Freedom Now Fair, a survivor led fair to raise awareness of human trafficking, to be held on January 28th in the North Park area, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A copy of the flier will be distributed to the CAPCC mailing list and posted to the CAPCC web site.*

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m., to reconvene on April 18, 2017.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017, 3:00-5:00 PM
LOCATION: COUNTY OPERATIONS CENTER (COC), 5560 OVERLAND AVENUE, ROOM 171