



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council

REGULAR MEETING NOTES

TUESDAY – OCTOBER 18, 2016

Health Services Complex
3851 Rosecrans Street, San Diego Room
San Diego, CA 92110
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Voting Members Present: *Hon. Judge Caietti, Lisa Sawin (for Chief Adolfo Gonzales), Cathi Palatella (Chair), Emerald Randolph, Larry Richman, Barbara Warner, and Anna Williams*

Absent: *Betsy Burns and Twila Perucci*

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Cathi Palatella called the meeting of the Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council to order at 3:10 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes – July 19, 2016 (Motion/Second/Vote)

On motion of Larry Richman, seconded by Barbara Warner, the Council approved the minutes for July 19, 2016. All were in favor.

III. Public Comment

Barbara Warner mentioned that the parking was terrible, which may have explained the low attendance at the meeting. There was another meeting in the building that was scheduled concurrently.

IV. Report from the Chair (Cathi Palatella, Chair)

Cathi Palatella reported on Continuum of Care Reform (CCR), to be implemented effective January 1, 2017, which will result in many changes in the Child Welfare Services (CWS) system. Initially called Congregate Care Reform, due to congregate care in group homes, it subsequently morphed into a whole continuum of care reform for foster youth. Major changes include:

- 1. There will no longer be licensed group homes with various levels. Group care will be primarily utilized only for short-term residential treatment centers (STRTCs), where length of stay will be limited.*
- 2. The Resource Family Approval (RFA) program will benefit relatives the most because they will have robust training and support.*
- 3. The Polinsky Children's Center will officially become a 10-day assessment center, although CWS has been already been operating as a 10-day assessment center for months.*
- 4. Pathways to Wellbeing is about teaming to help make decisions for a youth, and has been in place for a while. CCR requires that all children have a team when they come into care. All youth with open Court or voluntary cases have to have a mental health screening.*

At the January CAPPCC meeting, CWS will give a full presentation on CCR.

V. New Business (Selina Brollini, Intergenerational Coordinator for CWS)

Planning events for 2017.

- Selina distributed two sign-up sheets for anyone interested in serving on the upcoming Parenting Expo or Foster Youth Intergenerational Games committees. The Parenting Expo is an excellent opportunity for parents in San Diego to get resources and information about hot topics that are currently going on within parenting. The foster youth intergenerational games are Olympic-style games and fun activities that team up older adults with foster youth. If anyone is interested in being on either committee, they were instructed to sign their name or contact Selina at Selina.Brollini@sdcounty.ca.gov.*

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- *Barbara Warner complemented Selina on her hard work and successful events. The Parenting Expo has grown year after year, it's a good resource for parents in the community, and she highly recommended being on the committee. Cathi added that last year's event was packed despite rain, the childcare was amazing, the speaker was fantastic, and it was an impressive event.*

VI. Old Business

FY 15-16 final CAPCC Spending Plan.

- *Kevin Hauck reported on the final numbers from the FY 15-16 CAPCC Spending Plan. At the last meeting, a Spending Plan Summary was reviewed. At this meeting, the updated, most accurate version was discussed.*

Workgroup Update – Fairness and Equity Committee (FEC):

- *Kevin Hauck updated the Council on the FEC*
- *The FEC was meeting regularly, but then meetings were more infrequent. The FEC just met at the end of last month and talked about where to go from here. The FEC was formulated with idea that they would look at resources and data and come up with some projects that would be impactful. The most successful project to come out of this meeting is the Cultural Responsiveness Academy (CRA).*
- *FEC operates as a subcommittee, and will continue to meet, but not regularly. FEC will meet probably twice a year to look at resources and data, and continue tracking those pieces. The FEC will also be an Ad hoc group for any issues that come up.*
- *The County also has a similar Diversity & Inclusion meeting, and we will check to see if one of our FEC members can attend those meetings and report back.*

VII. Public Forum

The following presentations were made:

- *Presentation on Legal Services provided to Child Welfare Services.*
 - *Presentation was made by Linda Johnson, Esq., Staff Attorney, and Leslie Mackay, Staff Attorney, with the San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program (SDVLP).*
 - *SDVLP presented on the Education Project, Guardianship, and immigration at this meeting, which are services provided to CWS clients.*
 - *To refer a case to the Education Law Project, contact SDVLP at (619) 235-5656.*
 - *To refer a case regarding Immigration Law Services, contact Leslie Mackay at (619) 235-5656, x104.*
- *Presentation on the Cultural Responsiveness Academy (CRA).*
 - *Presentation was made by Wanjiru Golly, with San Diego State University Research Foundation.*
 - *The purpose of CRA is to provide integrated training on cultural responsiveness. The goal is to reduce negative impact of bias in decision-making, which can lead to disproportionality and disparity. The current series focuses on the African American population.*
 - *Wanjiru discussed the five areas of CRA: 1) Curriculum Development, 2) Training, 3) Coaching, 4) Practice, and 5) Evaluation.*
 - *If there are any questions about CRA, you may contact Wanjiru Golly at wgolly@mail.sdsu.edu.*

VIII. Announcements

The following announcement was made:

- *Barbara Warner will not be serving on this committee any longer, as she is retiring. This is her last meeting. She expressed her appreciation.*
- *It's Larry Richman's birthday!*

IX. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m., to reconvene on January 17, 2016.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2017, 3:00-5:00 PM
LOCATION: TBD**