



The San Mateo County Child Abuse Prevention Council

Minutes: September 19, 2022

Call to Order: 10:51 a.m.

Present: LaRay Hilt (CASA), Martha Cervantes (Star Vista), Michael Coutts (Star Vista), Carine Verduco (Human Services Agency), Donovan Fones (CFS), Alyssa Canfield (Star Vista), Stephanie Loera (Family Connections), Jamila McCallum (Edgewood), Erika Hernandez (CORA), Mhaysie Ruiz (Holy Angels School), Gina Almarez (Family Connections), Melissa Egge (Keller Center), Jessica Gonzalez (Star Vista), Araceli Garcia (Star Vista), Amy Lam-Bonilla (Family Health Services), Sandra Esquivel (SVC)

Public Comment/Brown Act – No members of the public requested to comment. The group also voted on a Resolution to meet in September virtually due to COVID 19. Alyssa so moved; Donovan seconded. The resolution passed. The September meeting will be held using Zoom.

Introductions –

Members introduced themselves.

Presentation – Families First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA)

Carine Verduco from the Human Services Agency explained the origin and plans surrounding the FFPSA as San Mateo County prepares to roll out this new initiative. Now in addition to OCAP funds the County will also be able to access Federal funding for prevention services. This will take detailed planning before implementation but stakeholder collaboration is part of the plan and will involve all CAPC members. The Department will seek input from the CAPC and will conduct a Prevention Planning and Capacity Assessment Survey. The County will use the Integrated Core Practice Model to guide this process, and they will want collective discussion and participation.

The RFP for a consultant for this huge initiative has been released and once that individual is on board the process will really begin. Carine will be attending CAPC meetings going forward and updating the group on the progress of the roll-out.

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

NEXT MEETING – October 17, 2022

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