



Policy Council on Children and Youth & Mendocino Child Abuse Prevention Council

Thursday, May 28, 2020, 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM
ZOOM MEETING – Meeting ID - 883-1352-6681

Meeting Notes

The Policy Council on Children and Youth's (PCCY) mission is to provide leadership through advocating for and coordination of Mendocino County's community efforts to prevent and respond to child abuse.

11:30	OPEN MEETING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions/Announcements Present- Sheryn Hildebrand, Camille Schraeder, Jena Conner, Justin Benninger, Katie Ford, Cindi Mockel, Becky Walker, Victoria Kelly, John Haschak, Debra Kubin, Michelle Hutchins, Joanna Olson, Jade Alrich, Izen Locatelli & Laurel Near • Additions to Agenda • Membership Applications/Reapplications- Justin Benninger has applications from Jena Conner, Sheryn Hildebrand, Camille Schraeder, Teri Sedrick, Joanna Olsen, Cindi Mockel and Izen Locatelli. • Discussed rescheduling of March Juvenile Justice Meeting. Justin Benninger will discuss potential dates with Izen Locatelli. 	
11:45	COUNTY SELF ASSESSMENT PROCESS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion regarding County Self-Assessment- Peer Review / Stakeholder process and ideas/input regarding focus groups in lieu of a large stakeholder meeting. Input suggested included: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Using the 9/18 Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention meeting for Probation stakeholder input b) Schedule small groups for each day, be specific c) Group by Education, Medical providers (Cindi Mockel will check and confirm with Jena Conner), Service providers, Foster Family Agency & Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program staff, law enforcement group, attorneys/Court group d) Need schedule for stakeholders meetings at next PCCY meeting • Michelle Hutchins noted MCOE and MCSO are doing "See Something, Say Something" Public Service Announcements. Sheriff does PSAs in Spanish. MCOE and MCSO are starting a task force this summer to address low child abuse reporting and how children can reach safe adults. FCS Hotline Supervisor should be on task force. Probation and RCS would like to be on task force. 	<p>Lead by – Jena Conner</p>
12:15	STATE OF CHILD WELFARE	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of the current state of child welfare. Jena Conner discussed significant reduction in numbers regarding referrals and cases comparing March to May 2019 to March to May 2020. • Camille Schraeder discussed Governor's proposed budget cuts and potential impact on local programs including education and child welfare. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Ukiah Unified noted it is preserving counseling services because kids are so isolated right now ➢ Cindi Mockel noted the counseling programs at the clinics are at max; 20-25 kids per day through telehealth; all kids leave clinic with a packet of resources- food, schedules, activities, etc. Community clinics will likely be taking a financial hit. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Laurel Near shared SPACE is giving free classes for next 2 weeks; Jim Beaty's classes will be free too through Zoom. ➤ Teri Sedrick noted the child care program through NCO is waiting to see what happens with budget; may impact subsidies. 	
12:30	EDUCATION CHALLENGES	
	<p>Camille Schraeder led discussion on what schools will look like in the fall and how Community Based Organizations can help.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Debra Kubin, Ukiah Unified, noted there is so much uncertainty right now; want to get kids back to a majority of in-person school; UUSD sent survey out to parents to ask what they would like; have had some kids who have been really successful at remote learning. Majority of respondents at this time would like independent study or remote learning in the fall. UUSD was already versed in technology. Will depend on health order for what schools can do. Concerns about getting PPE for staff and students. If can't go back to all students on campus- looking at other models such as AM/PM or Monday- Tuesday half of students attend, sanitize school on Wednesday then other half of students attend Thursday-Friday. School is supposed to start 8/13, but looking at pushing start date back. Have seen a drop in families receiving food from UUSD; other schools have not seen that drop. ➤ Becky Walker, Fort Bragg Unified, noted only three scenarios- either all return, all remote or a blended approach. 1/3 of families want remote or independent learning. Hoping guidelines will allow this. Having 1/3 of kids on campus at a time can ensure social distancing. Will be providing balaclavas for students with names on them, school will wash them Tuesdays and Fridays. Will have thermometers for all teachers, face shields for teachers and aids in rooms with students who cannot tolerate facial coverings. Electrostatic sanitizing for classrooms. Likely start date for FB will be 8/19. ➤ Michelle Hutchins, Mendocino County Office of Education, noted hoping for on-campus for MCOE run programs as classes are small. ➤ Legislature is rejecting Governor's May Revise; recommending cash deferrals instead of 10% cut. Cash deferrals would be hard for schools but better than 10% cut. Coordinating with Office of Emergency Services for PPE to provide to schools. 	Lead by – Camille Schraeder
1:00	MEETING CLOSE	

Next Meetings:

- August 20, 2020 from 11:30am to 1pm
890 N. Bush Street, Ukiah, CA 95482 and teleconference to Fort Bragg
- November 19, 2020 from 11:30am to 1pm
890 N. Bush Street, Ukiah, CA 95482 and teleconference to Fort Bragg

A table will be available for handouts and materials. Materials need to be provided to Justin Benninger, HHSA, (benningerj@mendocinocounty.org) no later than 12:00 pm the Monday prior to the meeting to be distributed remotely.