

The San Mateo County Child Abuse Prevention Council

Minutes: February 28, 2022

Call to Order: 10.47 a.m.

Present: Donovan Fones (CFS), Stephanie Loera (Family Connections), LaRay Hilt (CASA), Peter Ehrhorn (Family Connections), Alyssa Canfield (Star Vista), Aracely Vasquez (Star Vista), Susan Swope (JJDPC), Ivette Huerta (BHRS), Randy Torrijos (Board of Supervisors), Dominique Jones (RTS), Molly McDonell (CFS/PHN), Allison Bettner (CFS/PHN), Damon Sandhu (CFS/PHN), Tatiana Davila (CFS/PHN), Jessica Gonzalez (Star Vista), Samantha Barry-Mankhaus (UCSF), Neha Schota (CFS), J.D. (Star Vista), Annie Diep (NICH), Sandra Esquivel (SVC), Chris Perry (SVC).

Public Comment/Brown Act – No members of the public requested to comment. The group also voted on a Resolution to meet in March virtually due to COVID 19. The motion to continue to meet virtually was made by Susan Swope, seconded by Alyssa Canfield and passed by voice vote. The March meeting will be held using Zoom.

Introductions -

Members introduced themselves.

Presentation -

"Novel Interventions in Children's Healthcare (NICH) – Annie Diep gave an overview of the NICH program. It is an innovative program that provides a full spectrum of services to pediatric patients and their families. Often these children would be reported to CPS for medical neglect but this 24-7 real time access and crisis support helps families who have been referred to resources but may be too overwhelmed or disorganized to use them. The program at Stanford can serve up to 32 patients a year and is currently serving children from San Mateo County. Using real life examples, Annie illustrated the amazing changes NICH can cause in the life and health of children and improvements for their families.

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

NEXT MEETING – March 21, 2022

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