

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
Children's Needs Task Force**

Thursday, August 26, 2010 4:00 PM
Huntington Beach Civic Center
2000 Main Street, Room B-8
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Chair Coward called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

I. Roll Call

Members Present: Ian Collins; Broc Coward, Jim Hayden

Members Absent: Robert Dettloff, Marlene McIlroy

Staff: Janeen Laudenback,

II. Public Comments: None.

III. Presentations: None

IV. Approval of Minutes: Minutes of June 24, 2010 meeting.

MOTION:

Moved by Collins, seconded by Hayden, approve the minutes of June 24, 2010 as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

V. Elections: Laudenback reviewed nominations as submitted:

a. CNTF Chairperson: Broc Coward

b. CNTF Vice Chairperson: Jim Hayden

c. CNTF Secretary: Marlene McIlroy

Laudenback requested nominations from the floor. No additional nominations were received therefore the following motions were made.

MOTION:

Moved by Collins, seconded by Hayden to re-elect Broc Coward as CNTF Chair.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION:

Moved by Coward, seconded by Collins to re-elect Hayden as CNTF Vice-Chair.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION:

Moved by Collins, seconded by Coward to elect Marlene McIlroy as CNTF Secretary.

Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Focus Groups:

General discussion on the state of the City of Huntington Beach Budget ensued, and the value of recreation to the residents and its contribution to the public was discussed. The Task Force expressed an interest in "inter-generational programs" through the Rodgers Seniors Center and suggested that the Task Force tour the Senior Center to learn more about the possibility of developing a project for the fall.

The Task Force discussed the focus groups from last year with the following recommended actions:

MOTION:

Moved by Coward seconded by Collins to establish Focus Group 1 – Advisory/Policy/Local Government Issues.

Motion passed unanimously

MOTION:

Moved by Coward, seconded by Hayden to established Focus Group 2 – Children Recognized and Valued.

Motion passed unanimously

MOTION:

Moved by Hayden, seconded by Collins to establish Focus Group 3 – Child Welfare/Domestic Violence Prevention/Families with Special Needs.

Motion passed unanimously

Collins commented that the Barnes and Noble event last year was very well received, and that he still gets positive feedback from various schools about the book donations. The Task Force suggested that Laudenback make contact with Barnes and Noble again this year to see if they will consider working with the CNTF for the 2010 holidays, and that the CNTF would facilitate council recognition for Barnes and Noble for this year.

Collins suggested that the topic of funding strategies stay on the forefront of our task list, but that it not become a formal focus group at this time.

Coward expressed concern that Focus Group I may not appeal to the CNTF as a whole and he will be working to generate support for the project from new participants. Collins suggested that the CNTF utilize public comments to introduce them to the new city council. Collins suggested that members attend a City Council meeting and introduce the task force to the new city council members.

V. New Business

VI. Information Items – Laudenback reported that the plaques have been ordered and gave the student applicant interview update. She reviewed the Ethics Training list and distributed and collected the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement.

VIII. Task Force Member Comments

Collins stressed that new members should be willing to commit to the meetings and events. Hayden concurred and is looking forward to another productive year. Coward reminded the group of the need for guest speakers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Next meeting: **October 28, 2010 – 4 p.m. Room B-8**