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CHILDREN'S NEEDS TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 27, 2015 4:00 PM
Huntington Beach Civic Center
Lower Level Room B-7
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM at which time a quorum was met.

Members Present: Linda Cornejo, Jim Hayden, Tiffany Johnson, Phyllis Lembke, Marlene McIlroy

Members Absent: Broc Coward (excused) Keith Krallman (unexcused), Sarah Kruszona (excused)

Council Liaisons Present: Barbara Delgleize, Billy O'Connell

Staff Present: Chris Slama, Charlene Gomez

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

III. PRESENTATIONS

For the benefit of Council Liaisons, Johnson recapped some of the past presentations and the organizations that presented to the CNTF. Johnson also provided an overview of the CNTF and the annual Barnes and Noble Book Drive.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Moved by Hayden, seconded by McIlroy to approve the February 26, 2015 meeting minutes. **Ayes:** Cornejo, Johnson, McIlroy; **Nos:** None; **Abstain:** Lembke; Motion to accept the minutes as written was approved.

IV. ELECTIONS

Slama reported that no nominations were received prior to the meeting and nominations will be made from the floor.

Johnson opened the floor to nominations for the position of Chairperson. Hayden nominated Johnson. McIlroy seconded the nomination. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Johnson opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson. Johnson nominated Hayden. Lembke seconded the nominations. **Motions passed unanimously.**

Johnson opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Lembke nominated McIlroy. Johnson seconded the nomination. **Motion passed unanimously.**

V. FOCUS GROUP UPDATES

The work of the focus groups for FY 2014-15 has been completed. New focus groups will be established for the FY 2015-16 as needed, at the August meeting.

Recommended Action: Disband the Focus Groups for the fiscal year 2014-15 and re-establish for fiscal year 2015-16.

Focus Group #1 – Advisory/Policy/Local Government Issues:

Lembke reported on behalf of Coward, who was absent. Lembke and Coward put together a manual with Kruszona taking on the editing responsibilities; however, she does not know its current location.

Motion: Johnson motioned to disband the Advisory/Policy/Local Government Issues. Lembke seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #2 – Children Recognized & Valued:

Lembke gave an overview of the focus group. She would like to see some changes with the 4th of July parade recognition. Lembke will meet with Slama and Gomez at a later date to go over event stages and its timeline. Slama passed around "thank you" artwork received from one of the students.

Motion: Johnson motioned to disband the Children Recognized & Valued focus group. McIlroy seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #3 – Child Welfare/Domestic Violence Prevention:

Hayden stated that the focus group has changed over the years to include mental illness issues and youth homelessness.

Motion: Hayden motioned to disband the Child Welfare/Domestic Violence Prevention focus group. Lembke seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #4 – Barnes & Noble Holiday Book Drive:

Slama announced that Gomez has scheduled the dates of the Book Drive with Barnes & Noble. The dates are confirmed for December 3 & 17, 2015.

Motion: Johnson motioned to disband the Barnes & Noble Holiday Book Drive focus group. Lembke seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #5 – Special Events/Marketing

A discuss took place on the need for marketing the CNTF. Council Liaison O'Connell invited Task Force members to join him at 12 pm on Tuesday for the Kiwanis luncheon at Meadowlark Golf Course to make a presentation. Cornejo offered to speak on behalf of the Task Force. Gomez will provide Cornejo and Council Liaisons with a copy of the CNTF mission statement and goals to use in preparation of Task Force promotion.

Motion: Johnson motioned to disband the Special Events/Marketing focus group. Lembke seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

VI. New Business

Establish new Focus Groups for the fiscal year 2015-16.

Focus Group #1 – Advisory/Policy/Local Government Issues:

Motion: Lembke motion that the Advisory/Policy/Local Government Issues focus group not be reinstated. Johnson seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #2 – Children Recognized & Valued:

Motion: Lembke motioned to reinstate the Children Recognized & Valued focus group. Johnson seconded the motion. Lembke will lead with Cornejo, Hayden, Johnson and McIlroy as participants. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #3 – Child Welfare/Domestic Violence Prevention:

Motion: Hayden motioned to broaden the title to include mental issues. A discussion ensued. The conclusion was to change the name to “Child Welfare” in order to encompass the many issues faced by youth in the community. Members and Council Liaisons discussed mental illness, and youth and adult homelessness in Huntington Beach, its surrounding communities, and the resources available.

Motion: Hayden amended the motioned to reinstate the Child Welfare focus group with the new name. Johnson seconded the motion. Hayden will lead with Cornejo, Lembke, McIlroy as participants. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #4 – Barnes & Noble Holiday Book Drive:

Motion: Johnson motioned to re-establish the Barnes & Noble Holiday Book Drive focus group. Hayden seconded the motion. Johnson will lead with Cornejo, Hayden, McIlroy as participants. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Focus Group #5 – Special Events/Marketing

Recommendation: Lembke said she needs to be creative and present when she goes before City Council. She will develop a check-off list for CNTF members to use when presenting to Council.

Motion: Johnson motioned to re-establish the Special Events/Marketing focus group. Hayden seconded the motion. Cornejo will lead with McIlroy and Johnson as participants. **Motion passed unanimously.**

VII. Information Items – Nothing to report

VIII. Tax Force Member Comments:

Those in attendance took a moment to share their background and how they came to join the CNTF.

Hayden thanked Council Liaisons for attending and other members agreed that it was especially nice to have both Liaisons in attendance.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Next meeting: **October 22, 2015**
 Huntington Beach Civic Center
 4:00 p.m. Lower Level Room B-7
 2000 Main Street
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Submitted by: Charlene Gomez, Recording Secretary