

**AGENDA**  
**Solano Children's Alliance Meeting**  
**January 17, 2018**  
*12:00pm-2:00pm*  
**Please Note: Brandman University**  
4820 Business Center Drive, Ste.100  
Fairfield CA 94533

Members

Aaron Crutison  
Juan Cisneros  
Candy Pierce  
Gloria Diaz  
Pamela Dixon  
Lisette Estrella-  
Henderson  
Zoe Bartholomew  
Maurilio Leon  
Pam Posehn  
Tyffany Wanberg  
Adrienne Carson  
Stacey Burke  
Sharon Henry  
Maria Viccondoa  
Jane Johnson  
JoLyn McMillan  
Guadalupe Lopez  
Monica Brown  
Jane Johnson

**Top Four priority areas: Child and Youth Safety, Quality Early Care and Education,  
Homeless Youth and Mental and Behavioral Health`**

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| <b>I.</b>    | <b>Introductions, Public Comment</b>   | <b>12:00</b>               |
| <b>II.</b>   | <b>Approval of January Agenda</b>  | <b>(Action Item) 12:05</b> |
| <b>III.</b>  | <b>Approval of December 6, 2017 minutes</b>  | <b>(Action Item) 12:10</b> |
| <b>IV.</b>   | <b>Alliance President Report:</b>  | <b>12:15</b>               |
|              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome</li> <li>• Membership Update</li> <li>• Executive Committee Report</li> <li>• Letter of support for homeless grant</li> </ul> | <b>(Action Item)</b>       |
| <b>V.</b>    | <b>Alliance Staff Report</b>   | <b>12:20</b>               |
|              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CAPC Update</li> <li>• Legislative Update</li> <li>• Policy Forum Planning</li> </ul>   |                            |
| <b>VI.</b>   | <b>Special Presentation: Proposed Governors 2018-2019 budget- Chris Hoene,</b>   | <b>12:30</b>               |
|              | Executive Director, California Budget & Policy Center  |                            |
| <b>VII.</b>  | <b>CAPC Advocacy and Legislation Workgroups</b>  | <b>1:15</b>                |
| <b>VIII.</b> | <b>Adjournment</b>   | <b>2:00</b>                |

*Next Alliance Meeting: February 7, 2018*

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# Children's Alliance

A partner of the Children's Network of Solano County

**SOLANO CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
 December 6, 2017  
 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
**Brandman University**  
**4820 Business Center Drive, Ste 100**  
**Fairfield, CA 94534**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pamela Dixon, Adrienne Carson, Nicola Parr (for Lisette Estrella-Henderson), Stacy Burke, Angel Aguilar (for Sharon Henry), Alaina Starr (for Toni Dumont), Juan Cisneros, Kelly Dwyer (for Supervisor Monica Brown), Gloria Diaz, Rafael Hernandez (for Guadalupe Lopez), Zoe Bartholomew, Maurillio Leon

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Aaron Crutison, Candy Pierce, Lisette Estrella-Henderson, Sharon Henry, Toni Dumont, Maria Vicondoa, Jane Johnson, JoLyn McMillan, Monica Brown, Guadalupe Lopez, Gale Bowen, Tyffany Wanberg

**GUESTS ATTENDING:** Pam Posehn, Lisa Hooks, Gene Ibe, Lisa Eckhoff, Arthelle Porter Burns

**STAFF:** Alan Kerzin, Ericka Erickson, Susan Ferdinandi, Alyssum Maguire, Carla Medenilla

**MINUTES:** Maria McIntyre

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS
<b>Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 12:11 pm	
<b>I. Introductions, Announcements, and Public Comment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Juan Cisneros was Chair of the meeting. He opened the meeting reminding us all that today is Resource Fair, a special day to share what organizations do. We will go around the table and share about what each agency does and at the end of the meeting we can share brochures.</li> <li>○ Pamela Dixon, Solano County H&amp;SS. Right now, H&amp;SS has six openings due to several retirements, promotions, and attritions. Pamela brought several brochures with her such as MCAH bureau, black health, pre-parenting, baby first Solano, etc.</li> <li>○ Alyssum Maguire, Solano Youth Voices, Alyssum is also currently recruiting for Youth Council ages 14 – 21 years of age. The Youth Council will be working together until August 2018 on policy platform, community outreach, collect information for youth. Alyssum brought applications and flyers.</li> <li>○ Lisa Hooks, SCDD. Their agency works with early learning and is responsible for six coaches that go out to private homes to raise the quality of programs, and professional development.</li> <li>○ Ericka Erickson, Local Child Care Clinic for Solano County. Ericka brought some flyers with her with some information about professional development stipend for school teachers, and how to become a member of the Local Child</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	<p>Care Planning Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Adrienne Carson, Solano County Probation. Adrienne’s department supervises juvenile placement decided solely on minors and group home facility. They have one dedicated social worker who deals only with foster youth. Other programs: behavioral modification program, vocational training, and employment.</li> <li>○ Zoe Bartholomew, Solano Family &amp; Children Services. Zoe’s agency helps children and parents to get through with IEP meetings and processes. She recently published her book.</li> <li>○ Angel Aguilar, DA Office, provides justice and supports victims of crime.</li> <li>○ Kelly Dwyer, SC BOS Monica Brown. She recognized the great work we all do and encouraged each agency to call the office and schedule a meeting with Kelly.</li> <li>○ Rafael Hernandez, NB Regional and proxy for Guadalupe Lopez. Rafael brought with him brochures for Early Start Program for kids under three are eligible to enroll.</li> <li>○ Alan Kerzin announced Susan Ferdinandi is now the new Project Director for Solano Father’s Network (SFN). Oneal Young left for Workforce Development Board.</li> <li>○ Susan Ferdinandi provides technical support for nForm which is the software program used for SFN. Susan also oversees the First 5 Children’s Network Family Resource Network.</li> <li>○ Arthelle Porter-Burns, Big Brother Big Sister of the Bay Area. Her group expanded and is now supporting nine counties in the Bay Area. They match children with mental capacity with community volunteers until 18 years of age. They serve all children.</li> <li>○ SKIP Program is at risk of non-continuing due to several cuts from First 5. Solano County has been in #1 in the State in kids enrolled in health plan but we had low enrollment due to fear of the immigration law. They are now looking for other source of funding.</li> <li>○ Maurilio Leon, Community Housing Opportunities Corporation. Current projects: farmworkers homes (four), and Woodland project.</li> <li>○ Stacy Burke, FSUSD. Safequest. They provide free laundry service and she brought some flyers. Stacy also offered to have our next meeting at their location.</li> <li>○ Nicola Parr, Solano County Office of Education. They provide homeless youth</li> </ul>	

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	<p>direct support to school district as well as support to keep kids in school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Gene Ibe, First 5 Solano. First 5 serves children 0 – 5 years of age. Gene also brought copies of program investment plan for the next five years beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. RFPs will be released by January.</li> <li>○ Pam Posehn, Solano County Department of Child Support. Their agency has collected about \$37M/year.</li> <li>○ Gloria Diaz, VPD/Vacaville FRC. Their agency is looking to hire for two different positions; look for an email.</li> <li>○ Alan, Children’s Network, highlighted three programs: 1) Youth Employment Initiative sponsored by Kaiser Permanente; 2) Carol Gonsalves works between schools and parents on IEP issues before it escalates; and 3) Spark Point program, which we have an office at the community college. Also worth mentioning was the new/upgraded website <a href="http://www.childnet.org">www.childnet.org</a>. Check it out.</li> <li>○ Juan Cisneros, Child Start Inc. Their group is currently accepting applications for low income families for Quality Early Care Education.</li> </ul>	

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<b>II. Approval of (December Agenda) (Action Item)</b>	No changes requested	Zoe moved to approve the December agenda. Pamela Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried and the December agenda was approved.
<b>III. Approval of (November 1st Minutes) (Action Item)</b>	No changes requested	Pamela Dixon moved to approve the November minutes. Stacy Burke seconded the motion. The motion carried and the November minutes were approved.
<b>IV. Alliance President Report:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Welcome</b></li> <li>• <b>Membership Update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Gloria and Pam Posehn have reached the maximum time to serve on the Alliance. Currently, there are three open slots: member-at-large, local law enforcement, and local public agency. We are here to present and discuss a proposal to change the Alliance by-laws.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Executive Committee Report</b></li> <li>• <b>Alliance By-Laws Proposed Change</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>(Action Item)</b></span></li> </ul>	<p>Juan asked a representative to read the bylaws language on page 3 around membership on the Alliance. Juan proposed to use the bylaw language from LCCPC to be adapted for Alliance. County Counsel has reviewed the proposed new language.</p> <p>Zoe moved to approve page 3 of the proposed language. Maurilio seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Alliance By-Laws Proposed changes has been approved.</p> <p>Juan will send the by-laws to the Board of Directors for approval. Juan thanked Gene for making sure it is on the Board's next meeting agenda.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Advocacy Letter – skipped</b></li> <li>• <b>Celebrating Successes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Policy Forum – focused on youth needs</li> <li>○ 5<sup>th</sup> Policy Forum – already in planning, March 10</li> <li>○ AB377 passage</li> <li>○ CAPC – community-wide screening of “Resiliency” (funded by First 5), January 31, 2018, 3pm – 5:30pm at the JFK Library in Vallejo</li> <li>○ Individual agency successes</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>V. Alliance Staff Report – Skipped due to time restraint</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CPAC Update</b></li> <li>• <b>Policy Planning</b></li> <li>• <b>Legislative Report</b></li> </ul>	
<b>VI. Resource Fair</b>		
<b>VII. CAPC Advocacy and Legislation Workgroups (Time permitting)</b>		
<b>VIII. Adjournment</b>	Meeting adjourned at 1:52pm Juan asked everyone if they would like to go around and check out all the brochures that each agency brought with them.	Zoe moved to approve adjournment. Pamela Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 1:52pm.

## **ALLIANCE WORKGROUP PRIORITIES FOR 2016- 2017 FISCAL YEAR**

### **Work Group 1: Advocacy and Legislation:**

**SCA should continue to play an active role in legislative and budget issues and continue active involvement in advocacy and education.**

**Alliance Work Group Members:** Ronda Kogler, Zoe Bartholomew, Pam Posehn, Rachel Rico, Amalia Chamorro, Juan Cisneros, and Alan Kerzin

### **Priorities to focus on for 2016-2017**

1. Plan and Coordinate Fall Convening Meeting addressing gaps in services
2. Plan for 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Children, Youth, and Families Policy Forum (spring 2017)
3. Staff continue to attend BOS County Legislative Committee, along with interested Alliance Members
4. Add K-12 Education, and Youth Employment to Priority Bills
5. Prioritize State Budget Issues to be followed by the Alliance
6. Consider recommending a legislative initiative to local legislators
7. Provide local and state budget advocacy to Board of Supervisors and State Legislature
8. Schedule meetings with local legislators, including City officials after the Policy Forum to share results, and next steps
9. Promote and Advocate for the Solano fund for Children that will bring in sustainable dollars for prevention services in Solano County

### **Work Group 4: CAPC Activities**

**Alliance Work Group Members and CN Staff:** Gloria Diaz, Pam Dixon, Susan Ferdinandi, Debbie Powell, Aaron Crutison, Adrienne Carson, Maria Vicondoa, Candy Pierce, Guadalupe Lopez

### **Priorities to Focus on for 2016/2017**

1. There continues to be a need for in person Mandated Reporter Trainings. Everyone in the group, who was present, agreed with this.
2. Provide one training for trainers, with the idea that those trained could provide a minimum of one training within the fiscal year.
3. There was discussion that those who are trained would be part of the “Speakers Bureau”, and that the number of trainings provided and the number of individuals trained would be documented.
4. Increase Coordination of CAPC activities to include more agencies countywide: broader distribution of CAPC information. Greater visibility on websites.
5. Identify and assemble information to share with the community.
6. We did not have time to discuss the specific activities that align with HMG/Solano Kids Thrive workgroups. However, putting together a comprehensive list of agencies and other service providers whose primary focus is Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment, that could be shared in a variety of ways is well within the scope of the Alliance/CAPC workgroup and contract.

**Children's Alliance Membership Roster**

<b><u>Category of Membership</u></b>	<b><u>Member/Alternate</u></b>
Solano County H&SS	Aaron Crutison Alternate: Debbie Powell
Solano County H&SS	Pamela Dixon Alternate: Nazlin Huerta
Solano County Juvenile Probation Dept.	Adrienne Carson Alternate: Lisa Wamble
Local Child Service Public Agency	Vacant
Presiding Judge of Juvenile Court or Representative of Juvenile Justice Services	Candy Pierce Alternate: Cynthia Wojan
Solano County Superintendent of Schools or Designee	Lisette Estrella-Henderson Alternate: Nicola Parr
Local School District or Designee	Stacy Burke Alternate: Cheryl Jones
Solano County District Attorney's Office	Sharon S. Henry Alternate: Angel Aguilar
Community Based Organization that Provides Services to Families and Youth	Jane Johnson Alternate: Sonja New
Community Based Organization that Provides Services to Families and Youth	JoLyn McMillan Alternate: Deena Lemley
Community Based Organization that Provides Services to Families and Youth	Maria Vicondoa Alternate: Andrea Vela
Community Based Organization that Provides Services to Families and Youth	Juan Cisneros Alternate: Debbie Peralez
Community Based Organization that Provides Services to Families and Youth	Toni Dumont Alternate: Alaina Starr
Member at Large – Parents, Grandparents and Consumers	Tyffany Wanberg
Member at Large – Parents, Grandparents and Consumers	Vacant
Member of the County Board of Supervisors or Designee	Monica Brown Alternate: Kelly Dwyer
Local Law Enforcement	Vacant
Regional Center	Guadalupe Lopez Alternate: Rafael Hernandez-Perez
Child Care R&R or Child Care Planning Council	Zoe Bartholomew Alternate: Kathy Lago
Community Based Organization that ties to an Ethnic Community	Maurilio Leon Alternate: Angie Lopez



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**5th Annual Solano Children,  
Youth & Families  
Policy Forum**



**Do you want to make a  
difference in our community?**

- 1. Speak up** for youth and families about issues affecting you and your community.
- 2. Educate** your elected officials.
- 3. Learn** about projects going on and how you can get involved.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 10**

**9 A.M. - 1 P.M.**

**KROC CENTER - 586 WIGEON WAY, SUISUN**

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CARE \* LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PICK UP**

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