

**AGENDA**

**Solano Children's Alliance Meeting**

**August 5, 2020**

*12:00pm-2:00pm*

**Please Note: This is a virtual meeting**

**To Join by Zoom:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85971898106?pwd=ZXlXZUk0a3ZHdDhyY2ljejN4Sko0QT09>

**Password: 332308**

**To Join by Phone: +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)**

**Meeting ID: 859 7189 8106**

Members

Angel Aguilar  
Hayley Armstrong  
Dr. Zoe Bartholomew  
Monica Brown  
Tonya Burns  
Juan Cisneros  
Cheryl Countee  
Aaron Crutison  
Gloria Diaz  
Lisette Estrella-  
Henderson  
Dr. Shandi Fuller  
Guadalupe Lopez  
Jennifer MacKinnon  
Joshua Mallory  
Julie Musto  
Candy Pierce  
Pam Posehn

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

<b>I.</b>	<b>Introductions, Public Comment</b>		<b>12:00</b>
<b>II.</b>	<b>Approval of August 2020 Agenda</b>	<b>(Action Item)</b>	<b>12:05</b>
<b>III.</b>	<b>Approval of July 2020 Minutes</b>	<b>(Action Item)</b>	<b>12:10</b>
<b>IV.</b>	<b>Alliance President's Report</b>		<b>12:15</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Membership</li><li>• Executive Committee</li><li>• Bylaws update</li></ul>		
<b>V.</b>	<b>Alliance Staff Report</b>		<b>12:20</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Child Abuse Prevention</li><li>• Advancing Racial Equity Training</li></ul>		
<b>IV.</b>	<b>Membership Discussion</b>		<b>12:25</b>
<b>IV.</b>	<b>Strategic Planning with Applied Survey Research</b>		<b>12:40</b>
<b>V.</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>		<b>2:00</b>

*Next Alliance Meeting: September 2, 2020*

*Materials given to members less than 72 hours prior to a regular meeting can be obtained at 827 Missouri Street, Suite 5 Fairfield, CA 94533, or by contacting staff at 707-421-7229.*

# Children's Alliance

A partner of the Children's Network of Solano County

## SOLANO CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

### General Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2020

12:00 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.

### Virtual Zoom Meeting

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Aaron Crutison, Dr. Shandi Fuller, Julie Musto, Pam Posehn, Rachel Rico, Candy Pierce, Cheryl Countee (alternate for Stacy Burke) Hayley Armstrong, Jennifer MacKinnon, Juan Cisneros, Joshua Mallory, Supervisor Monica Brown, Liat Meitzenheimer, Ana Isabel Montano (alternate for Gloria Diaz), Guadalupe Lopez, Zoe Bartholomew, Kathy Lago, Nicola Parr (alternate for Lisette Estrella-Henderson) and Angel Aguilar (alternate for Sharon Henry)

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Lisette Estrella-Henderson, Gloria Diaz

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Sharon Henry, Stacy Burke

**GUESTS ATTENDING:** Christina Sinohui, Anthony Volkar, Christina Branom, Lisa Colvig-Niclai, Vanessa Oden, Gene Ibe, Jennifer Redman, Jennifer Artz and Araceli Lopez

**STAFF:** Ronda Kogler, Susan Ferdinandi and Jessica Gabbart

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS
<b>Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order at 12:06 pm	
<b>I. Welcome and Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pam Posehn announced that their office has reopened. They are seeing customers on an appointment only basis with limited criteria. Customers may come into the office and make a payment without an appointment if needed.</li> <li>• Supervisor Monica Brown reminded everyone to please wear a mask, please get tested and please no large gatherings this weekend. She also reminded all to complete the Census if you have not already.</li> <li>• Isabel Montano announced that the Vacaville FRC was open for 3 weeks but was recently shut down after 2 employees tested positive in the City of Vacaville. They have continued to meet the needs of families using virtual platforms and are conducting home visits as needed following social distancing protocols.</li> <li>• Zoe Bartholomew announced that everyone is probably aware that many CA schools have decided to do online instruction for the fall semester, and are just waiting to hear back on different protocols. The districts have been proceeding with conducting IEPs online.</li> <li>• Jennifer Redman announced that Drug Safe Solano is offering a free virtual NARC training on July 7<sup>th</sup>, it is open to all of Solano County if anyone is interested.</li> <li>• Jennifer Artz with Friends House Youth Outreach in Solano County, under the same umbrella as Opportunity House, announced that they will be launching a new at-risk youth program soon.</li> </ul>	

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<b>II. Approval of (July Agenda) (Action Item)</b>	No changes requested	Candy Pierce moved to approve the July agenda. Aaron Crutison seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the July agenda was approved as written.
<b>III. Approval of (June Minutes) (Action Item)</b>	No changes requested	Pam Posehn moved to approve the June minutes with no changes. Zoe Bartholomew seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the June minutes were approved as written.
<b>IV. Alliance President Report</b>	<p><b>Welcome</b>            Juan welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.</p> <p><b>Executive Committee/Membership Update</b></p> <p><b>Executive Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Executive Committee has stayed very busy, meeting at least 4 times this last month. The Committee met a couple times to compile the Alliance position statement in response to our stand against systemic racism. The statement was sent out and hopefully everyone has had a chance to see it.</li> <li>○ The Committee received a couple of questions from County staff about some of the proposed changes for the bylaws that the Alliance approved. The Committee met to discuss some responses to those questions. The bylaws are still in progress and scheduled to go to the BOS on July 28.</li> <li>○ The Executive Committee also worked to promote the completion of the strategic planning survey. Post survey completion, the Committee met with ASR to review some of the results and to talk about next steps, including the plan for the meeting today.</li> </ul> <p><b>Membership Update</b>            Juan reviewed membership openings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Community Based Organization serving Children and Families – 2 vacancies,</li> <li>○ Community Based Organization serving Vulnerable Populations – 1 vacancy</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Member at Large – 1 vacancy</li> </ul> <p>The Executive Committee did review the application of Tonya Burns, Executive Director of Child Haven and her alternate and we are recommending that they be approved by the BOS. Hopefully, that will take place at the end of the month.</p> <p><b>Future meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ When the Executive Committee met, they talked about future meeting and felt it was important to have an open discussion about membership recruitment for the vacant positions. The Committee agreed that the Alliance should spend some time on this topic at our August meeting. If you know of someone that would fit into a vacant category, please let the Executive Committee know and we will get them an application to complete.</li> <li>○ Our September meeting topic is still to be determined as we will certainly be working on strategic planning in September.</li> <li>○ The Committee did discuss continuing to have a discussion around equity. This was a topic of the Policy Forum that was canceled due to the pandemic. The Committee did talk about possibly doing a training on equity, using the GARE model. We are looking at late July or early August. It is about a 4-hour training. Ideally this would be done in person, but may have to be virtual depending on guidelines at the time.</li> </ul>	

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<p><b>V. Alliance Staff Report</b></p>	<p><b>Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) Update – Susan Ferdinandi</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ On June 24<sup>th</sup> the Greater Bay Area Child Abuse Prevention Council Coalition (GBACAPCC) met and focused on looking at where they have been as a coalition, looking at the capacity as a region and narrowing down a couple projects that they thought would be really important and doable. They looked at the need, and a new project for the next year that will align with the funding for the Innovation Grant. The decision was that the GBA Coalition is going to develop and pilot a mandated reporter training that would include information designed to educate mandated reporters and train them on implicit bias</li> </ul> <p><b>Census 2020 Update – Ronda Kogler</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ There will be continued activity to try and get self-responses to continue happening through the end of October. Numerators are now doing phone calls instead of going door to door.</li> <li>○ The current self-response rates are so far: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The United States is 61.6%</li> <li>➤ CA 62.7%</li> <li>➤ Solano County 67.3%</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Broken down city for self-response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Benicia 76.8%</li> <li>➤ Dixon 70.6%</li> <li>➤ Fairfield 65.9%</li> <li>➤ Rio Vista and Suisun City 68.5%</li> <li>➤ Vacaville 71.2%</li> <li>➤ Vallejo 63.6%</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Ronda thanked everyone who has been involved in Census 2020 outreach and education efforts, including our member Monica Brown along with a lot different agencies. The grant funding that Children’s Network received from United Way Bay Area and Silicon Valley Community Foundation will be rolling forward and we will be able to continue to work on outreach and education. Children’s Network will be creating a list of census materials on hand for distribution. If anyone is planning an event or would like materials, please contact Children’s Network and someone can deliver those materials to you.</p>	
<p><b>VII. Strategic Planning -</b></p>	<p><b>Strategic Planning with Applied Survey Research;</b> Christina Branom, Lisa Colvig-Niclai and Jordan Boeve</p> <p>Christina introduced the draft vision statement and mission to the group. Alliance members provided feedback and Christina said that ASR will incorporate the suggestions and present some changes at the next meeting. She also reviewed survey results with the membership and asked the members to pick a subcommittee to work on to develop action plans around our priority areas. Christina informed</p>	

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	members that she would be reaching out to hold separate subcommittee meetings during the month of July to build the action plans.	
<b>VIII. Adjournment</b>	Meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm	



# **Solano Children's Alliance/CAPC Strategic Planning Meeting**

August 5, 2020

# Agenda

- Review revised mission and vision statements
- Review overall strategic framework
- Meet in subcommittees to continue work on action plans
  - Child and Youth Safety
  - Homeless Youth
  - Quality Early Care and Education
  - Mental and Behavioral Health



# It's not too late to join a subcommittee!

Click the link in the chat to sign up :  
<https://tinyurl.com/SolanoCA>

*Just for today*, if you are not already a member of a subcommittee, let us know which breakout group you like to join by typing the group name in the chat:

1. Child and Youth Safety
2. Homeless Youth
3. Quality Early Care and Education
4. Mental and Behavioral Health



# Draft Vision Statement **ORIGINAL**

*All children and youth in Solano County  
are healthy, safe, resilient, and thriving*



## Draft Vision Statement Feedback

- Ensure we really mean “all” children and youth (keeping an eye on equity)
- Considered moving the word “transform” from Mission to Vision
  - *To keep the vision short, simple, and clear, decided to not make any edits*



## Draft Mission Statement **ORIGINAL**

*Educate, advocate, and collaborate to transform systems to prevent child abuse and achieve equitable outcomes for Solano County children and youth*



# Draft Mission Statement Feedback and Changes

- Changed “transform systems” to “improve systems”
  - Transform sounds visionary
  - Discussed wanting *improvement* not just change
    - Considered adding the phrase “catalyst for change,” but again, discussed wanting *improvement* not just change
- Considered adding “successful” or “positive” to the phrase “equitable outcomes”
  - Positive may be implied by *improve systems* and to keep statement shorter, decided to leave the word positive out



## Draft Mission Statement **REVISED**

*Educate, advocate, and collaborate to **improve** systems to prevent child abuse and achieve equitable outcomes for Solano County children and youth*



# Strategies

- **Educate leaders and the community** about issues affecting children, youth, and families, including disparities in access to resources and outcomes
- **Research, monitor, and advocate for legislation and funding** that promote equitable outcomes for children, youth, and families
- **Identify and address gaps in services, disparities in and barriers to service access, and duplication of services** for children, youth, and families
- **Promote collaboration, coordination, and communication** between providers of services for children, youth, and families
- **Provide training and support** to improve the quality of services and reduce disparities in outcomes for children, youth, and families



# SOLANO CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE AND CAPC 2020-2025 STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

## STRATEGIES

- Educate leaders and the community
- Research, monitor, and advocate for legislation and funding
- Identify and address service gaps, access disparities and barriers, and duplication
- Promote collaboration, coordination, and communication
- Provide training and support to improve service quality

## SHORT-TERM GOALS

- Increased knowledge and awareness in the county about issues affecting children, youth, and families, including disparities in access to resources and outcomes
- Increased funding and legislation for services and supports that reduce disparities and improve outcomes for children, youth, and families
- Increased access to high-quality, coordinated services that reduce disparities and improve outcomes for children, youth, and their families

## LONG-TERM GOALS

1. Reduce the prevalence of child abuse and neglect
2. Reduce youth homelessness and address needs of youth and families at risk for or experiencing homelessness
3. Increase access to screenings and reduce untreated mental/behavioral health problems among children and youth
4. Increase access to affordable, high-quality early care and education

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