

Children's Council Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2017

<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Appointed Council Member or Alternate</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Present</b>
Addleman, Jayanti	Member	Monterey County Free Libraries	County Librarian	X
Askew, Wendy	Alternate	Supervisor Jane Parker, District #4	Board Aide	
Astengo, Berenice	Alternate	Monterey County Free Libraries	Managing Librarian	
Baldwin, Dan	Member	Community Foundation for Monterey Co.	President/CEO	X
Barnes, Valerie, Dr.	Member	CAPC	CAPC	X
Bernal, Stephen	Member	Office of the Sheriff	Sheriff	
Burns, Dan	Member	Salinas Union school District	Superintendent	X
Castagna, Katy	Member	United Way Monterey County	President and CEO	X
Chapman, Susan	Member	Public Defender	Public Defender	
Cutino, Annette	Alternate	County Counsel	Deputy County Counsel	
Dzubay, Jeremy	Alternate	Public Defender	Assistant Public Defender	X
Flippo, Dean	Member	District Attorney	District Attorney	
Goebel, Jean	Member	Housing Authority of Monterey County	Executive Director	X
Guss, Deneen	Alternate	Monterey County Office of Education	Deputy Superintendent	
Hansen, Jody	Member	Business Rep, Chamber of Commerce	President	
Holmsky, Cynthia	Alternate	CSU Monterey Bay	Director	X
Jimenez, Elsa	Member	Monterey County Health Department	Director of Health	X
Johnson, Mary	Alternate	Child Care Planning Council		
Keating, Todd	Alternate	Probation	Assistant Chief Probation Officer	


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Kotowski, Nancy	Member	Monterey County Office of Education	Superintendent	X
Lovorato, Sam	Alternate	CA State Superior Court	Judge	
Lee-Alexander, Laurel	Alternate	Community Foundation for Monterey County	Vice President of Grants and Programs	
Lundquist, Kristan	Member	City of Salinas	Department of Parks and Recreation	
Madfis, Josh	Alternate	United Way Monterey County	Vice President Community Investments	
Maradei, David	Alternate	CAPC	Director	
Martinez, Martha	Alternate	Salinas City Elementary School District	Superintendent	
McCrae, Robin	Member	Community Human Services	Executive Director	
McDonnal, Lori	Member	Special Kids Crusade	Executive Director	
McKean, Dora	Alternate	Childcare Planning Council		X
McKee, Charles	Member	County Counsel	County Counsel	
Medina, Lori	Member	Dept. of Social Services	Director of FCS	X
Miller, Amie	Member	Monterey County Behavioral Health	Director	X
Moreno, Dr. Edward	Alternate	Monterey County Health Department	Health Officer & Director of Public Health	
Nyznyk, Catherine	Alternate	Monterey Peninsula College	Director	
Ochoa, Dr. Eduardo	Member	CSU Monterey Bay	President	
Pacioni, Jeannine	Alternate	Monterey County District Attorney Office	Assistant District Attorney	
Parker, Jane	Member	District #4 Supervisor	Supervisor	
Parsons, Marcia	Member	Probation	Chief	X
Reeves-Fortney, Beth	Alternate	First 5 of Monterey County	Director of Programs	

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Rico, Hector	Member	Alisal Union School District	Superintendent	
Roberts, Judge Timothy	Member	Superior Court, Juvenile Division	Judge	X
Robinson, Elliott	Member	Dept. of Social Services	Director	
Rodd, Francine	Member	First 5 of Monterey County	Executive Director	X
Rose, John	Member	Community – Monterey County Housing, Inc	Executive Director	
Ruelaz, Joni	Alternate	Housing Authority of Monterey County	Alternate	
Sandoval, Marni	Alternate	Behavioral Health	Director	
Speller, Kathi	Alternate	Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce	Member	X
Surbeck, Jayne	Alternate	Office of the Sheriff	Administrative Assistant-Confidential	X
Tribley, Ph.D. Walter	Member	Monterey Peninsula College	Superintendent & President	
Vanoli, Timothy	Alternate	Soledad School District	Superintendent	
Watkins, Shannan	Member	Child Care Planning Council	Director	
Applegate, Michael	Non-member	Bright Futures	Senior Data Analyst	X
Boyd, Arlene	Non-member	Social Services	Administrative Secretary-Confidential	X
Kennedy-Chouane, Megan	Non-member	Bright Beginnings	Bright Beginnings Manager	X
Margason, Clare	Non-member	United Way	Community Impact Coordinator	X

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Item	Summary of discussion/review	Action/deliverable
<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b>	Introductions and meeting called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Dr. Kowtowski	
<b>2. Public Comment</b>	None	
<b>3. Action Items</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Approve the minutes of the October 9, 2017 Children's Council General Assembly meeting.</li> <li>b. Approve Jayne Surbeck as alternate for Sheriff Steve Bernal</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The Children's Council meeting minutes of October 9, 2017 were approved. Motion by Dr. Barnes, second by Marcia Parsons/ Vote: Passed.</li> <li>b. Approve Jayne Surbeck as alternate for Sheriff Steve Bernal. Motion by Marcia Parsons, Second by Katy Castagna</li> </ul>
<b>4. General Council Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Outreach has been done to replace Category C "At Large"</li> <li>b. 2016-2017 annual report</li> </ul> <b>5. Initiative Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Bright Beginnings: ECD Advisory Group Update and Root Causes of Disparities in Kindergarten Readiness</li> </ul>	<p>Katy Castagna shared that there were not any applications at this time, however, they might have one candidate who will apply soon. Castagna then explained the procedure that the executive committee follows once applications are received. The executive committee handles interview process and will recommend a candidate to the General Council.</p> <p>A draft will be ready in December for the council members who would like to review it and provide feedback. The report will be presented and voted on by the General Council on January 9, 2018.</p> <p>Megan Kennedy-Chouane shared an update on the Early Childhood Development (ECD) Advisory Group. She shared the outcome of their Root Cause Analysis and the specific goals for prioritized drivers. In looking at these documents, the group can now analyze the data and draft a strategic framework so it may be used by agencies to develop and</p>	<div style="text-align: right;">  <p>Bright Beginnings discussion MCCC Nc</p> </div>

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strategize for future programs. In addition, Bright Beginnings/Bright Futures will use the information to work toward shared goals. This data will also be used to implement strategic actions. It is hoped that the strategic framework will be completed early next year. Key drivers analysis will also continue into the new year. Kennedy-Chouane focused on how to keep equity in the center of Bright Beginnings work and explored how current systems around children cause an unequal playing field right at the beginning. This is a root cause that needs to be addressed to achieve our goals. She then shared what key equity issues are seen in early childhood development. Language diversity is very important early on. Statistics were shared on different equity factors and the council explored the factors that are significant predictors of a child’s kindergarten readiness. Kennedy-Chouane presented 2015 data and highlighted discrepancies between the top 5% and the bottom 5%. She also shared possible next steps for move towards equity focus and opened it up for discussion with the council. Many members participated in the conversation and a spectrum of community engagement for effective, equitable strategies was outlined.

**b. Bright Futures: Measuring Youth Connectedness to Support Prevention**

Michael Applegate from Bright Futures presented on youth connectedness and began by revisiting the Children’s Council’s mission and how it connects to a comprehensive and collaborative delivery system of services to youth. He asked the council to think about what current delivery systems exist for prevention and consistent measurement of youth connectedness in schools and youth programs. Applegate presented challenges to measuring data in this area and shared limitations from the California Healthy Kids Survey. He then presented data from the survey and showed how the data can be useful for building a conversation on



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	<p>collaboration/prevention and how to develop a shared system of measurement in activities, programs, and services outside of school. He showed several data points (see PPT for full details), and engaged the council in a discussion on what should be considered when we bring community partners together to look into a tool that can be used and schools and with out of school services. Applegate said this discussion could go further in the next council meeting.</p>	
<p><b>6. Information/Announcements</b></p>	<p>Amie Miller shared that they are doing presentations this week and working with schools to implement Mental Health Oversight. Francine Rodd shared that they are looking for folks to assist with raising awareness, re: marijuana use, with the community. Katy Castagna shared that there is a prototype of Impact Monterey on the United Way Website- more to follow.</p> <p>Lori McDonald asked if anyone is working with families with disabilities or possible disabilities, and might be eligible for services, send them her way and she will ensure they get the help that they need. Jayanti Addleman shared that on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, they will continue with their speaker series, discussing the “Me Too” movement, with elected officials in attendance. Flyer available on the library website.</p> <p>Dr. Kotowski shared that there will be a “Bullying Prevention Workshop” on Thursday, November 16, 2017. She asked that everyone share at their schools, libraries, etc.</p>	
<p><b>7. Adjourn</b></p>		<p>1:36 p.m.</p>