



Minutes Tempe Family Justice Commission September 17, 2019

Minutes of the TEMPE FAMILY JUSTICE COMMISSION held on Tuesday, September 17, 6:00 p.m., at the Tempe Public Library – 2nd Floor Board Room, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Ilene Dode, Vice-Chair
Patrick Foster
Jeffrey Glover
Beatrice Kastenbaum
Karyn Lathan
Robin Nelson
Jill Oliver
Patricia Riggs
Kristen Scharlau

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley, Chair
Mary O’Grady

City Staff Present:

Paul Bentley, Deputy Human Services Director
Dana Cardenas, Emergency Medical Services Coordinator
Melissa Placencia, Administrative Assistant

Public Appearances

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Vice-Chair Ilene Dode called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Attendance

Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances

None

Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of July 16, 2019 Minutes

MOTION: Commission Member Beatrice Kastenbaum moved to APPROVE the July 16, 2019 minutes.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Jeffrey Glover; Motion passed on a 9-0 Vote

AYES: Vice-Chair Ilene Dode, Commission Members Patrick Foster, Jeffrey Glover, Beatrice Kastenbaum, Robin Nelson, Jill Oliver, Patricia Riggs, and Kristen Scharlau

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley and Commission Member Mary O’Grady

Agenda Item 5 – Review and Approval of August 20, 2019 Minutes

MOTION: Commission Member Karyn Lathan moved to APPROVE the August 20, 2019 minutes.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Robin Nelson; Motion passed on a 9-0 Vote

AYES: Vice-Chair Ilene Dode, Commission Members Patrick Foster, Jeffrey Glover, Beatrice Kastenbaum, Robin Nelson, Jill Oliver, Patricia Riggs, and Kristen Scharlau

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley and Commission Member Mary O’Grady

Agenda Item 6 – Vice-Chair Remarks

None

Agenda Item 7 – August 20, 2019 Retreat Reflection

Commission Member Jill Oliver felt the ideas shared at the August retreat is duplicative of services CARE7 already provides; Ilene agreed. Jill would like to research why crimes within the scope of the Tempe Family Justice Commission are so underreported. Commission Member Kristen Scharlau wants to identify any gaps in the community not being served or a segment of the Tempe population that feels underrepresented that CARE7 isn’t aware of. Commission Member Beatrice Kastenbaum would like to improve connections with Mayor and Council; Ilene agreed and feels the Commission needs to improve its marketing and communications to the Tempe community however creating videos is beyond the scope of the Commission. The Commission expressed concerns over the submitted proposal for an Advocacy Center; Deputy Human Services Director, Paul Bentley shared the proposal has been submitted to Mayor and Council through the minutes and to the Mayor’s Chief of Staff. The Commission continues to encourage each other to contact various Councilmember’s by phone or email in hopes to pursue a future conversation about the drafted proposal.

The Commission committed to provide awareness and identify challenges surrounding domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking through story-telling and data. Additionally, the Commission commits to gathering this data to create talking points in order to be very clear in the message of the Commission either through a marketing document or one-on-one conversations with Mayor and Council. Kristen will share a list of events CARE7 tables surround Domestic Violence Awareness, Sexual Assault Awareness, and Human Sex-Trafficking awareness month and welcomes members to attend.

Karyn shared her involvement in the East Valley Mayors’ Prayer Breakfast where featured speakers share their personal stories of community leadership and involvement and suggested drafting a proposal for Tempe to host a similar breakfast and/or social hour.

Agenda Item 8 – Commission Marketing/Communications Discussion

Agenda Item 9 – 2019 Board and Commission Annual Report – 2019 Accomplishments

Agenda Item 10 – Review and Update Strategic Plan Accomplishments

1.0 Access to Justice/Safety

- 1.1 Family Justice Center (Tinsley) – MEMO COMPLETE
- 1.2 Less Fear More Reporting (Scharlau)

2.0 Wrap Around Services

- 2.1 An EMS Liaison - like A. Carbajal (Carbajal) - COMPLETE
- 2.2 Supporting Next Steps: Re-Entry Program (Lathan)
- 2.3 Trauma Informed Department Champions (Scharlau)

2.4 Better Use of Existing Resources/Identify Partners/Identify Other Agencies Doing Trauma Informed Care_in Tempe [Combined Accomplishments] (Dode) - COMPLETE

3.0 Training

- 3.1 Simulation Strategies – (Kastenbaum)
- 3.2 Outreach and Training for Justice, Health Community, Public Officials – (Oliver/O’Grady)
- 3.3 All Departments Use Organization Assessment Tool (Scharlau)
- 3.4 Supervisor Trained to Recognize and Respond to Traumatized Staff (Oliver)

4.0 Education & Opportunity

- 4.1 Education and Outreach – (Tinsley/Lathan)
- 4.2 Outreach, Networking and Training Activities (Foster)
- 4.3 Identify the Populations that are Vulnerable – (O’Grady)

Agenda Item 11 – Finalize 2019 Meeting Schedule

Agenda Item 12 – Commission Member Updates

Agenda Item 13 – Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m

Next meeting will be on October 15, 2019

Minutes Prepared by: Melissa Placencia

Reviewed by: Paul Bentley

Ilene Dode, Vice-Chair
Tempe Family Justice Commission