



El Cajon Collaborative
Monthly Council Meeting Notes
July 5, 2012

Purpose: "To engage direct service staff and community partners in resource sharing, networking, joint planning and action around issues that benefit the youth and families of the El Cajon community, consistent with the mission, vision and priorities of the Collaborative."

AGENDA ITEMS/ DISCUSSION

I. Welcoming Remarks-

LaVonna Connelly, El Cajon Collaborative Coordinator, gave a warm welcome to everyone and reviewed the meeting Agenda. The meeting began at 12:40. (informal networking was from 12:30-12:40)

Meeting Participants:

Big Brothers- Big Sisters of San Diego County, Catholic Charities, Center for Community Solutions, Chaldean Middle-Eastern Community Services, Communities Against Substance Abuse, Crossroads Family Center, East County Career Center, Family Health Centers of San Diego, EFNEP/Nutrition, Grossmont High School District/ International Newcomer's Center, Institute for Public Strategies, Laubach Literacy Council, Mental Health Systems, National Conflict Resolution Center, Neighborhood Healthcare, Public Consulting Group, Rady Children's Psychiatry, Recovery Innovations of CA, San Diego County HHSA/ Health Promotions, San Diego County Library El Cajon Branch, San Diego County Library Rancho San Diego Branch, San Diego County Probation Department, Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association, Southern Indian Health Council.

II. 2012-13 Year End Collaborative Update-

LaVonna reviewed the Mission, Organizational Chart and Strategic Objectives of the El Cajon Collaborative. She asked Council attendees to keep these things in mind as they formulate their ideas for how the Collaborative can best support them.

III. Written Input from Council-

LaVonna collected written input from attendees using a questionnaire with the following questions:

1. What did you like about Council meetings this past year?
2. Have monthly Council meetings been valuable to you?
3. If you answered yes, please give at least one example of how they have been valuable?
4. What didn't you like about Council meetings this past year?
5. What presentations would be most useful to you in this coming year?
6. What would be most useful to you in Council meetings this coming year?(format options listed)

IV. 2012-13 Council Facilitator Vote-

LaVonna handed out a Ballot containing (2) names of candidates for Council Facilitator; Kara Vickrey/ San Diego Youth Services El Cajon Family Resource Center and Veronica Mikho/ National Conflict Resolution Center. Attendees made their choices and turned them in to LaVonna to be counted.

V. Small Group Discussion/ Round I-

LaVonna asked attendees to work in groups to answer the following question:

What are the top 3 issues facing youth and families in El Cajon (or East Region) this coming year?

VI. Small Group Discussion/ Round II-

LaVonna asked attendees to answer a second question based on their discussion in Round I:

What do you think the El Cajon Collaborative can do to support you in meeting the needs of youth and families in El Cajon (or East Region) in the coming year?

VII. Roundtable (Announcements, Trends, Issues) *Contact List (for follow up) can be found at:*

http://www.elcajoncollaborative.org/uploads/1/4/1/5/1415935/council_contact_sheet_april2012.pdf

Multiple organizations made announcements regarding services, programs and events. Due to the timeliness of those announcements, they are not included in these Notes. However, for more information, please contact the organizations who were present at the meeting (see link above).

VIII. Adjournment- LaVonna adjourned the meeting at 2:00pm.