



# The San Mateo County Child Abuse Prevention Council

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**Minutes:** October 19, 2020

**Call to Order:** 10.52 a.m.

**Present:** Susan Swope (JJDCPC), Maria Del Rio (Star Vista), Stephanie Loera (Family Connections), Alondra Salgado (Family Connection), Rosie Gutierrez (Family Connections), Gary Beasley (CFS), Jazz Lamadora (CFS), Cindy Marroquin (Rape Trauma Services), La Ray Hilt (CASA), Karen Pisani (First 5), Mitch Eckstein (California Children Services), Randy Torrijos (Board of Supervisors), Chris Perry (SVC).

**Item: Public Comment/Brown Act** – No members of the public requested to comment.

**Introductions** – Members introduced themselves.

**Presentation: Systemic Racism in the Child Welfare System**

Gary Beasley and Jazz Lamadora of CFS gave an introductory presentation Systemic Racism in the Child Welfare System in San Mateo County. Gary discussed the history of the County's approach to the issue from 2010 until the present. He will forward a PowerPoint with the data and statistics he referenced in his remarks. Jazz then brought the group up to date on efforts that are ongoing to address the issue. Jazz will also make her reference material available to the CAPC prior to the next meeting.

Gary and Jazz both covered a number of subjects and agreed that this is just the beginning of the conversation we can have. They plan to return to CAPC for the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting to answer questions, participate in the discussion and clarify any areas of confusion.

There was a lot of information and several interesting initiatives taking place; CAPC can play a role in this process by being informed and giving this very important subject the attention it deserves.

**Meeting adjourned at 12:05**

**NEXT MEETING – November 2, 2020, 10:45-12:00**

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