## Conejo Coalition for Youth and Families Committee Meeting Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. Hillcrest Center 403 W. Hillcrest Drive

## Member Agencies:

Conejo Recreation and Park District Conejo Valley Unified School District City of Thousand Oaks

Community Partners: Comuity Conscience Many Mansioins

Susan Holt, Conejo Recreation and Park District Chair

## AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call- Susan called meeting to order 9:03 a. introductions
- 2. Public Comments- no public
- 3. Approval of Minutes- October 2018 Claudia moved to approve and Susan approved
- 4. Guest Speaker- Ana Alvarez- Conejo Valley Unified School District
  - a. Serves students and parents in the community Connecting Family, School and Community
  - b. Education Outreach Coordinator for CVUSD
  - c. Started 17 years ago low socioeconomic home, Hispanic community
  - d. Bridging the GAP between school, families and community
  - e. A tutor becomes an admired parental-like figure and a role model
  - f. Teacher identifies child and is referred to Ana. Ana then does home visits and parent-teacher conference
  - g. Ana then works to help get food, medical and other asstistant through other aencis.

- h. Goal to leave parents with hope and power that they can make changes
- i. Hard to get families engaged to return to the program
- j. School is limited on resources- non tiltle one schools have less resources
- k. 5 title 1 schools need this program, Conejo and Glenwood have the biggest need. Above 80% students are identifiesd as low income.
- 1. Appoximently 25% of all CVUSD students are on low social economic. We are getting better at identifying those that need assistance
- m. This program is tutoring on Wed night at park oaks. Volunteers tutor the youth and then teach parents English.
- n. Volunteers get training
- o. Funded through school district for Ana salary all other funds come throught the school foundation. Amgen is a big supporter along with faith groups.
- p. Main goal to get parents involved in the school.
  - i. Get to know the families, educate them, work with there values and connect to community.
  - ii. La Sala Group Professionals giving back to the community- Ana's main volunteer group
  - iii. PMAD Parents making a difference group
- q. Currntly have 120 students and over 80 parents plus 65 at the other school. Another program in opening in Newbury program at Walnut school.
- r. Parent project Ana would like to reinstate and is run through the police department. (possible partnership with Community Conscience
- s. Do a conference each year for parents- Math workshop to be in April at Colinga
- 5. Business
  - i. Approval of invitation list and invitation
  - ii. Approval of budget for event \$1500 Claudia and susan approved
- 6. Items for Subsequent Agendas
  - a. Guest Speaker for April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting -Heather Chamberlin Dr. Becca to confirm- Mental Health in our school disctict

7. Directors Reports/Comments-Robin - job at Lutherian Social Services available, Denise has left and started her own non-profit, Arbor House-Denise Cortez is the Executive Director

a. City has changed the ordinance for vaping in the city ordienance

8. Adjourn - 11:19

Next Meeting: Youth & Family Summit February 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9:30 AM Regular meeting - Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM