

Community Support Network of Nevada County

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Meeting Notes

January 9th, 2013 at the Madelyn Helling Library's Community Room

3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

3:15-3:30 **Greet Incoming Partners/Optional Open Networking** – CSN Coordinator, Paula Roediger and Marcia Westbrook, CAPC board member

27 present, including: Laurie Blakemore, PARNERS FRC; Lori Burkhart Frank, ADRC; Antoinette Fabela, KidzKount; Rachel Pena Roos, VCSS; Patricia Gore, Child Support Svcs; Jan McDonald, Anastacia Knight & Birdsong Sundstrom, Foothill Healthy Babies; Carol Viola, GVSD; Diana Malley, SJR FRC; Kristen McGrew, SSHS; Lael Walz, NAMI, EMQFF; Cid Van Koersel & Kelly Young, WarmLine FRC; Lynn Woerner, KARE; Nicola Murphy & Mary Kober, One Stop; Lindsay Dunckel, First 5; Laura Harter, Joyce Ash & Melinda Douros, CANC; Melinda Douros, CASA; Cindy Santa Cruz Reed, CoRR; Ned Russell, Got 40?;

3:30-3:40 **Welcome and Introductions** – Ned Russell: Approved notes from November meeting. All in favor.

3:40-3:45 **Network Moments** – Ned Russell of Got 40? Presents Developmental Asset #9

Service to Others:

Youth spends 1+ hour/week serving community; younger has opportunities to help.

Agencies can play major role in providing opportunities for youth to serve the community: create volunteer slots for youth, organize events, designate a youth liaison.

Contributes to building numerous assets: Other adult relationships, Adult role models, Peer role models, Youth programs, Caring, Equality and social justice, Responsibility, Planning and decision making, Interpersonal competence, Personal power, Self esteem, Sense of purpose, Positive view of personal future.

3:45-4:30 **Meeting Focus:** - Updates from CSN Partners: Members shared their organization's plans, projects and goals for the new year.

1. Patricia Gore, [Sierra Nevada Regional Department of Child Support Services](#): Serves customers in Sierra and Nevada Counties. They provide child support services: establish paternity and support, enforce and modify orders, locate parents, refer families to community resources. Contact her for staff speakers for parent groups, agency meetings, etc. Contact Patricia at 530-265-7150 or patricia.gore@co.nevada.ca.us.

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2. Laura Harter, [Child Advocates of Nevada County](#): In this past year, they've gone from 12 to 18 FTE employees. They're trying to gain more stability now that changes have been made. They have new physical addresses: [See Partners tab on CSNNC website](#).
3. Melinda Douros, also with CANC: The [CASA program](#) is in "spring training." If you know anyone interested in becoming a CASA volunteer, contact Melinda at melinda@caofnc.org.
4. Joyce Ash, [Foothill Healthy Babies](#): They have expanded into Truckee. They've gone from being able to serve 30 families to 130 families; they are currently serving about 50 families. They provide early child abuse prevention and take referrals from any agency. They have staff members who are bilingual. Family assessment workers determine a family's risk. Child development activities are conducted in the home. Reach her at joyce@caofnc.org.
5. Anastacia Knight of [Foothill Healthy Babies](#) has developed a resource guide for information and referrals. Local OBGYNs conduct a preliminary screening of new babies and this information goes to Anastacia. Contact her at anastacia@caofnc.org.
6. Cindy Santa Cruz Reed of [Community Recovery Resources](#): They are in their new building. They've made their website more user friendly. PLEAG is still going strong. A lot of parents are looking to connect with agencies. Their child development services are expanding. They have educational series for families. Reach Cindy at cindy@corr.us.
7. Lael Walz of [EMQFF](#). She passed out a flyer for Continuum of Care. A homeless count needs to be done every 2 years and the next count will be happening on January 24th at the GV Methodist Church. Lael is also with NAMI and they've started a training program around the myths and stigmas around mental health. They address subjects like medications, how to get families involved, facts. For more information contact Lael at lwalz@emqff.org.
8. Kristen McGrew of [Safe Schools Healthy Students](#). This is a 4 year Federal grant to deal with school violence and anti-bullying prevention. June 30th is the end of their 4th year. They have some carry-over funds but they're looking for grants. The FRCs will continue to exist but they might look a little differently. SSHS is looking at partnerships and sustainability. Fundraiser on April 25th – Children's Art Auction. See: <http://www.partnersfamilyresourcecenters.com/>. Contact Kristen at kmcgrew@nevco.k12.ca.us.

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9. Lynn Woerner of [KARE Crisis Nursery](#): She wants to clear up any rumors that KARE is going away. They provide a warm and comfortable home for children ages 0-5 whose families are in crisis. They also provide a place for court-ordered home visitations. Contact Lynn at karedirector@sbcglobal.net.
10. Lori Burkart Frank of [Aging and Disability Resource Connection](#): Their Federal grant-initiated ADRC is a way of looking at long-term care so that those who are aging or have a disability are connected to community resources with the focus of staying in their homes over institutions. Aging & disabilities at any age is a family issue. ADRC is a free service available to anyone, focused on long term care issues for seniors and people of any age with a disability. Lori's organization helps facilitate connections to services. [FREED Center for Independent Living](#), the lead organization for the ADRC is promoting the youth leadership program this summer for youth with any kind of disability. For more information, contact Lori Burkart Frank [530 478-9803](tel:5304789803) or LoriLifecoach@sbcglobal.net. Call FREED at 530-265-4444.
11. Antoinette Fabela of [KidzKount](#) Head Start: A Multicultural Music Festival will be happening May 4th at the Gold Country Fairgrounds. Their goal is 4,000-5,000 attendees. They are seeking non-profit service vendors only. For more information about being a vendor, email her at afabela@sbcglobal.net.
12. Kelly Young of [WarmLine FRC](#): Serves 6 counties – Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, El Dorado, Yolo and Alpine . They are part of California Early Start state law. They're funded for children birth-3 who have been identified for early intervention. However, they serve all families. They can get information, referrals, speak to a parent. WarmLine is looking for a Nevada County parent with a child with a disability to serve as one of their paid community liaisons. They would do parent education. They're also looking for a local space for about 20 people to do their training. They have bilingual support in their Sacramento office. For more information contact Cid at cid@warmlinefrc.org. or 916-922-9276 / 800-660-7995.
13. Carol Viola of the [Grass Valley School District](#): The district reconfigured last year. Traffic patterns into Scotten and Gilmore have changed. They've added a lot of new programs. Gilmore has a digital program. All 7th graders have ipads. All 6th graders have ipod touches. A coming focus is STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math.) GV Charter is expeditionary learning focus. The district is reviewing their safety plans. They have before and after school programs at each site. The district has collaborated with CSN for a grant for after school funding. Contact Carol at cviola@gvbsd.k12.ca.us.

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4:30-5:00 **2013 CSN Meeting Focus Topics** – Due to time constraints, partners did not brainstorm ideas for future meeting topics.

5:00 **Adjournment** - Next Meeting: February 6th, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. at the Madelyn Helling Library's Community Room.

Community Support Network of Nevada County Meeting Agreements

- Make decisions by consensus.

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- Create an atmosphere of mutual respect that includes active listening and listening without judging.
- Start and end on time.
- Maintain a sense of humor and a positive attitude.
- Bring concerns to the whole group. Don't take them to the parking lot after the meeting.
- Set up the room in an inclusive way.
- Take responsibility for a task only if you have the time to accomplish it.
- Everyone is empowered to be a process observer and take ownership for the health of the meeting and is responsible for the health of the whole meeting.
- Be sensitive to others' need for more information. Make sure everyone understands.
- Be careful of injecting your self-interest and label it as such. Be able to layout your agency's interest and be open to other's interests.
- Meetings are meaningful and have a shared purpose.
- This is a living document and can be changed as needed.

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