

Texas Family Voice Network
Minutes from the Meeting on May 17, 2018

Present- Family Leaders

Christianna Hale
Debra Rosales-Elkins
Stormy Holifield
Stephanie Bryan
Julie Bourne
Eileene Chappelle
Belia Alvarez
Patti Derr
Barbara Granger
De Shaun Ealoms

Stakeholder Advocates

Rachel Simpson, TSBVI
Kamala Joy, Via Hope
Andres Guariguarta, TxSOC
Robin McClanahan, family

I. Welcome and Introductions

Stormy called the meeting to order with introductions, asking everyone to introduce themselves and share how they celebrated Children's Mental Health Awareness Week.

II. TxFVN Business

- a. Barbara explained she would be taking notes today. Several gave suggestions on how notes could be captured during the meeting.
- b. Meeting Minutes were reviewed. The minutes were opened for discussion.
 - Patti Derr clarified the Parent Leadership Academy in San Antonio was definitely different from the Parent Café that was presented by Molly at the last meeting.
 - Stephanie Bryan asked if there had been an invite to the Governor's Office from TxFVN, as suggested at the last meeting. Barbara stated not yet.
 - Motion was made by Julie to accept minutes; seconded by Eileene Chappelle.
- c. Stephanie Bryan made an observation that the website seemed weak and needed some attention. Barbara explained she had gone through the missing pieces and sent additions to Jameson Cardenas, the TxSOC Communication Lead who is assisting in the development of the website. Julie noted there is a Communication subgroup that to her knowledge had not met. Barbara stated she would have the Communication group work meet with Jameson to address needs.
- d. Stephanie also noted she feels TxFVN needs a place at the table at CYBHS, not just supplying family representation.
- e. By-laws Updates

--Barbara thanked everyone for working with their assigned Article workgroup in between the meetings. There was a lot of progress made toward completion.

--Article I (General Provisions) was presented as proposed by the workgroup. The workgroup felt each subsection should be updated to reflect TxFVN's current achievements and undertakings. All nine sections were reviewed line for line, edited and approved. (See attached .)

--Article II (Membership) review was started, however not completely edited. Article 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 and 2.5 were edited and approved. It was noted that 2.4 seemed similar to Article VI and should be compared to avoid redundancy. Article 2.6 seemed to need more time that allotted for consideration so attendees chose to continue at a later date with edits in order to move forward with other business.

--It was noted that Bylaws can be amended at any point after adoption with a motion and vote.

III. State/Community Updates

--Barbara updated the group on conversations she had been having with the national Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health on being a host organization for their national conference to be held in Houston, Nov. 1-3, 2018. She reviewed a document (see attached) sent to her from the Federation explaining expectations for being a host organization. Barbara asked who within the group had intentions of attending or if funding could be obtained might be willing to assist with the duties of being a host organization. Several showed interest. There was concern with the fact that not financial break for the host organization would be given, although the host was being asked to "sacrifice" conference time in return.

-- Community updates on Children's Mental Health Awareness activities across the state were.

IV. Next meeting – August 30, 2018 10-4, Hogg Foundation Training Room