



Minutes Tempe Family Justice Commission June 20, 2023

Minutes of the TEMPE FAMILY JUSTICE COMMISSION held on Tuesday, June 20, 4:00 PM., via Microsoft Teams and Tempe Library Board Room

(MEMBERS) Present:

Jill Oliver, Chair
Jill Etienne
Mary O'Grady
Ilene Dode
Jeanette Costa
Margaret "Peggy" Tinsley
Bjorg LeSueur
Patricia Riggs
Josie Montenegro
Anastasia Stinchfield

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Mark Perkovich, Vice Chair

City Staff Present:

Paul Bentley, Deputy Human Services Director
Nicole Galvan, Administrative Assistant II+

Public Appearances

Evelyn Brumfield, City of Tempe's Youth Climate Action Coordinator, attended the meeting virtually.

Guest Appearances

There were no guest appearances.

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chair Oliver called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM

Agenda Item 2 – Attendance

Vice Chair Perkovich was absent.

Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances

Evelyn Brumfield introduced herself to the Commission Members as the City of Tempe's Youth Climate Action Coordinator.

Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of May 16, 2023 Minutes

No edits were made to the May 16, 2023 Minutes.

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to APPROVE the May 16, 2023, Minutes.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Etienne; Motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Chair Oliver, Commission Members Etienne, O'Grady, Costa, Tinsley, Dode, Stinchfield, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro.

ABSENT: Vice Chair Perkovich was absent.

Agenda Item 5 – Chair Remarks

Chair Oliver thanked the members who attended that Boards and Commissions Appreciation event and remarked on how nice it was to see everyone in-person. *Photo from the event included in the addendum of the minutes.

Agenda Item 6 – Commission Member Introductions – Commission Member Peggy Tinsley

Commission Member Tinsley discussed her background and experience growing up in a military family, living in different cities all over the United States, and then attending Arizona State University for her Bachelor's in Political Science and then Law School.

Commission Member Tinsley discussed her career in private law practice and then as a trial attorney for the Attorney General's office, primarily working on child welfare cases.

Commission Member Tinsley mentioned that she retired 13 years ago and began doing advocacy work.

Commission Member Tinsley informed the Commission of her current position as a judge for Maricopa County's juvenile Citation Diversion court.

The Commission Members discussed diversion programs and the need to support funding so that diversion programs can be administered by social workers to better meet the individual needs of the clients referred to such programs.

Dr. Bentley informed the Commission Members of the city of Tempe's diversion program, under the leadership of Manager, Dianna Kalandros, within the city's Community Health and Human Services Department.

Agenda Item 7 – City of Tempe Social Determinants of Health Framework Follow Up – Dr. Paul Bentley

Dr. Bentley discussed the types of questions asked of community members who are surveyed for the Social Determinants of Health survey, determining their overall wellbeing in the categories of "struggling," "suffering," or "thriving."

Dr. Bentley informed the commission that the city is developing a dashboard to present the data collected, which can show the social determinants of health by population demographics and geographic areas.

Dr. Bentley reminded the Commission Members that the data collected should be utilized for strategic planning and refining performance measures for city departments.

Dr. Bentley notified the Commission Members that city staff will be giving a presentation to the board of directors at Vitalyst Health Foundation, one of the creators of the Social Determinants of Health framework, on how the framework is being utilized by the city of Tempe.

Agenda Item 8 – Elder Abuse Awareness and Prevention Presentation Work Session – Commission Member Tinsley

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to postpone the Elder Abuse Awareness and Prevention Presentation Work Session due to time constraints.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Dode; Motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Chair Oliver, Commission Members Etienne, O'Grady, Costa, Tinsley, Dode, Stinchfield, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro.

ABSENT: Vice Chair Perkovich was absent.

Agenda Item 9 – Awareness and Prevention Month Template Creation

Ms. Galvan agreed to create a calendar of awareness and prevention dates that are relevant to the Family Justice Commission.

Chair Oliver suggested that the Commission Members review previous awareness and prevention month memorandums and use them to create a template for future memorandums.

Agenda Item 10 – Family Justice Commission Annual Retreat Planning – Chair Jill Oliver

Dr. Bentley advised the Commission Members to review the powers and duties of the Commission and to use the establishment ordinance for the Family Justice Commission to strategically plan for the upcoming year.

The Commission Members discussed and created preliminary agenda items for the strategic planning retreat.

Agenda Item 11 – Family Justice Commission Sponsored Training Discussion

The Commission members deliberated to identify community members in need of training to determine what type of training is needed.

Agenda Item 12 – Family Justice Commission Strategic Plan Discussion

Dr. Bentley reviewed the Commission's strategic goals and the corresponding accomplishments.

Agenda Item 13 – Domestic Violence Poster Campaign Update – Commission Member Costa

Commission Member Costa commended several high-traffic businesses who recently agreed to put up Domestic Violence Awareness posters in their restroom areas.

Agenda Item 14 – Tempe Family Advocacy Center Program Update – Commission Member Stinchfield

Commission Member Stinchfield mentioned the upcoming tour the Family Justice Commission will conduct of the Family Advocacy Center on June 27th.

Commission Member Stinchfield said the Tempe City Council Members toured the new facility recently and expressed their support for the Victim Services programs and services.

Chair Oliver mentioned the video CARE7 released recently to inform the public of the services provided by the new Family Advocacy Center. *Video link in Addendum of the Minutes.

Agenda Item 15 – Commission Member Updates

Commission Member Dode informed the Commission Members of a recent injury she incurred and the excellent healthcare service she received afterward.

Commission Member Costa revealed the mishaps she incurred while on her way to attend the Boards and Commissions Appreciation event, including breaking a shoe on the way to the venue.

Commission Member Etienne commended Commission Member Tinsley for serving 15 years as a Commission Member, and Commission Member Oliver for serving 5 years as a Commission Member.

Agenda Item 16 –Future Agenda Items

Commission Member Stinchfield suggested that Kristen Scharlau, Manager of CARE7, attend an upcoming Commission meeting as a guest speaker to discuss the ongoing progress of the department's programs and services.

Commission Member Dode reminded the Commission Members that Sandra McNally of EMPACT Survivors of Suicide will be a guest speaker at the September Family Justice Commission meeting.

Chair Oliver reviewed the future agenda items previously noted by the Commission Members.

Dr. Bentley advised that he would continue to reach out to his connection at Tempe Diablos to introduce their organization to the Family Justice Commission.

Agenda Item 17 – Adjournment

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to ADJOURN the Meeting.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Riggs; Motion passed unanimously

AYES: Chair Oliver, Commission Members Etienne, O'Grady, Costa, Tinsley, Dode, Stinchfield, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro.

ABSENT: Vice Chair Perkovich was absent.

Chair Oliver declared the meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.

The next meeting will be on July 18, 2023.

Minutes Prepared by: Nicole Galvan

Reviewed by: Paul Bentley

Jill Oliver, Chair
Tempe Family Justice Commission

Addendum



Tempe Family Justice Commission Members and Staff (from left) Chair Jill Oliver, Commission Member Josie Montenegro, Commission Member Mary O'Grady, staff liaison Nicole Galvan, Commission Member Jill Etienne, Commission Member Peggy Tinsley, Commission Member Ilene Dode
City of Tempe Boards and Commissions Appreciation Event – May 19, 2023

Tempe Family Advocacy Center Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85XKa3mtDec>