



**STANISLAUS COUNTY
CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, July 3, 2019
Stanislaus County Office of Education, Board Room
1100 H Street, Modesto , CA**

Commissioners Present: Vicki Bauman, Ignacio Cantu, Jr., Vito Chiesa, David Cooper, Mary Ann Lilly-Tengowski, George Skol, Dr. Julie Vaishampayan

Commissioners Absent: Kathy Harwell (Chair), Nelly Paredes-Walsborn (Vice Chair)

Staff Present: David Jones, Executive Director; Amanda DeHart, Commission Counsel; Veronica Ascencio, Accountant; Stephanie Loomis, Staff Services Coordinator

1. Commissioner Skol called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Commission members, staff, and attendees were introduced and welcomed.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.
3. Announcement of Commissioner Recusals – None
4. Public Comments – None
5. Consent Calendar
The Consent Calendar was approved.
Motion by Bauman, Second by Cooper. (5-0)

Commissioner Cantu entered the meeting at 1:06 p.m.

6. Discussion Items
 - A. The Commission heard a presentation from Veronica Ascencio on the process First 5 staff undertook to receive quotes for a one-year Agreement for audit services, with the opportunity to extend the Agreement for a second and third year upon mutual consent. Proposals were carefully reviewed using multiple factors including, but not limited to, the organization's experience working with First 5 organizations, cost of the proposal, references, willingness to contract for a second and third year if requested. Staff recommended the Commission approve a one-year Agreement, with the option to extend the Agreement for an additional two-years, with Hudson Henderson & Company, Inc. for audit services.

The Commission authorized the Executive Director to negotiate and sign an \$11,040 agreement with Hudson Henderson & Company, Inc. for audit services.

Motion by Bauman, Second by Cooper. (6-0)

Commissioner Lilly-Tengowski entered the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

7. Correspondence – None
8. Commissioner Reports
 - Commissioner Bauman shared Sierra Vista Child & Family Services has received a federal grant to offer Mental Health First Aid training to the community. David will share information on the training with First 5 partners.
9. Staff Reports
 - Executive Director Jones shared that April revenue has not yet been received and March revenue came in under projections at around \$333,000. There is potential for revenue to end at budget for FY 2018-2019. Jones shared the budget the Commission approved at its May meeting will be submitted to the County to be include in the County's Final Budget. Jones shared First 5 hosted a webinar on June 6 titled Taking Care of You. Over 200 people registered for the webinar and about 70 attended. The webinar was rated extremely well by attendees and supportive of efforts to provide community training. Jones shared First 5 and CSA held a FRC Leadership Summit on June 19 to engage in dialogue on how to move forward in light of First 5's new strategic priorities. The summit went well and was a great starting conversation. Jones shared First 5 has agreed to be listed as a partner on El Concilio's Census Complete Count proposal for outreach for hard to count populations. This is not a financial commitment on First 5's part and if El Concilio is awarded the grant, the Commission would take action to approve formal involvement prior to staff moving forward. Jones shared he represented First 5 and the 0-5 population at the McClatchy California Priorities event hosted on June 13 at the Gallo Center. Panelists were from northern California and Jones expressed it was an honor to represent the Commission. Jones noted the next Early Care and Education conference will be held on Saturday, August 24. The keynote speaker, Laura Fish, will be presenting on teaching to children based on brain science and not habit. Jones shared SCOE is interested in meeting with First 5 staff to discuss partnering to offer a pilot Spanish language only Early Care and Education conference in the future.
10. Adjourned at 1:17 p.m.