



**STANISLAUS COUNTY  
CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, October 22, 2019  
Stanislaus County Office of Education, Board Room  
1100 H Street, Modesto , CA**

**Commissioners Present:** Vicki Bauman (Chair), Ignacio Cantu, Jr. (Vice Chair), David Cooper, Kathy Harwell, Nelly Paredes-Walsborn, George Skol, Dr. Julie Vaishampayan

**Commissioners Absent:** Mary Ann Lilly-Tengowski, Vito Chiesa

**Staff Present:** David Jones, Executive Director; Amanda DeHart, Commission Counsel; Veronika Carrasco, Confidential Assistant IV; Stephanie Loomis, Staff Services Coordinator

1. Chair Bauman called the meeting to order at 4:00 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.
  - A. Miscellaneous
    1. Approved the Commission Meeting Minutes of August 24, 2019
    2. Accepted the Minutes of the Administrative Committee Meeting of October 7, 2019
      - a. Result Area Fiscal Report as of June 30, 2019
      - b. Quarterly Financial Report - Fourth Quarter Fiscal Year 2018-2019
    3. Accepted the Minutes of the Operations Committee Meeting of October 10, 2019  
***Motion by Skol, Second by Cooper. (7-0)(Chiesa and Lilly-Tengowski absent.)***
6. Discussion
  - A. Approved the 2020 Meeting Calendar. Executive Director Jones presented the 2020 Meeting Calendar for consideration. It was explained there were no dates available for the December 2020 Association summit as of yet, and therefore committees and the Commission meeting will be scheduled at their traditionally held times for

November/December. If changes are needed in the future, a proposal will be brought back to the Commission. Commissioner Bauman (Chair) asked whether rooms had been secured for commission meetings during the remodeling taking place at the Stanislaus County Office of Education building. Jones mentioned that rooms had been secured.

**Motion by Skol, Second by Vaishampayan. (7-0)(Chiesa and Lilly-Tengowski absent.)**

7. Public Hearing

- A. Accepted the 2018-2019 audit report. Staff was thanked for their work leading up to the audit. Brian Henderson, independent auditor, was introduced and presented the First 5 Stanislaus 2018-2019 audit report.

Henderson explained that there were two reports issued. There were no findings noted in either. Revenue for May and June was adjusted because numbers were not available from the state when the audit originally started. Overall, no significant changes in financial statements were found and First 5 is in a strong financial position.

The Public Hearing on the audit was opened at 4:14 p.m. by Chair Bauman and, hearing no comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 4:15 p.m.

**Motion by Paredes-Walsborn, Second by Skol. (7-0)(Chiesa and Lilly-Tengowski absent.)**

- B. Accepted the Local Annual Report and authorized staff to submit the 2018-2019 Local Annual Report to First 5 California. The Commission heard a presentation from Stephanie Loomis on the 2018-2019 Local Annual Report. Stephanie shared an overview of the accomplishments achieved during FY 2018-2019.

The Public Hearing on the Local Annual Report was opened at 4:23 p.m. by Chair Bauman and, hearing no comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 4:24 p.m.

**Motion by Harwell, Second by Vaishampayan. (7-0)(Chiesa and Lilly-Tengowski absent.)**

8. Correspondence - None

9. Commissioner Reports

Chair Bauman shared that Stanislaus County Office of Education has received a grant to conduct mental health trainings. These trainings will be focused on Turlock, Hughson, and Patterson due to their high depression rates

10. Staff Reports

- Stephanie Loomis provided a brief recap on the August 24, 2019 Early Care and Education Conference. She shared 99% of the 200 attendees rated the conference as excellent/good and 99% of attendees reported they will use information learned at the conference and apply it to their classroom/center.
- Executive Director Jones highlighted that First 5 has yet to receive 2019-2020 funds from the state and the situation will continue to be monitored. He shared that First 5 Stanislaus may be applying for IMPACT funding at the end of December or early January. First 5 will be taking a close look at opportunities for this funding and how it could be used to support work in Family Resource Centers. First 5 is going through this process in collaboration with the Yosemite Community College District and Stanislaus County Office of Education.

Jones updated Commissioners on a number of initiatives including community capacity building, parenting programs, asset mapping, and high-risk maternal care/Healthy Birth Outcomes. He spoke about the Spanish language Early Care and Education Conference pilot project planning with the Stanislaus County Office of Education, and that the implementation date of April 25, 2020 currently did not look achievable. Staff will keep Commissioners posted on this project as it is a priority.

Jones shared that First 5 Stanislaus has hosted several 0-5 census planning meetings and is facilitating an effort to create a census outreach plan for the 0-5 population. A large number of groups have attended and given feedback about barriers to participation and trusted messengers within the hard-to-count population census tracts. He communicated that the After Care Learning session First 5 hosted in conjunction with Community Services Agency (CSA) was well attended and successful. He also highlighted that First 5 Stanislaus' 2019 Report to the Community is in digital format and hosted on First 5's website. The report features client and provider videos and expanded data presented in a more visual format.

Staff also highlighted a new Family Events Calendar that has launched on the First 5 Stanislaus website to provide opportunities for families to spend time together and participate in low/no cost community events. This project was in response to feedback the Commission received during its strategic planning process.

11. The Commission meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.