

**First 5 Solano Children and Families Commission
Commission Meeting
June 4, 2019, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
601 Texas Street, Fairfield, CA**

Minutes

Commissioners present: Erin Hannigan, Jerry Huber, Lenessa Anderson (Arrived 5:33 PM), Dan Ayala, Jennifer Barton (Arrived 5:42 PM), Aaron Crutison (Left 6:45 PM), Mina Diaz (Arrived 5:43 PM), Lisette Estrella-Henderson

First 5 Solano Staff present: Michele Harris, Megan Richards, Kwiana Algeré, Gene Ibe, Lorraine Fernandez, Juanita Morales, Luke Winders

Members of the public present: Kathy Lago (Solano Family & Children's Services), Norma Lisenko (Innovative Health Solutions), Cheryl Stumbaugh (Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District), John Vasquez (Solano County Board of Supervisors)

Chair Hannigan called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM

I. Call to Order/Salute to the Flag

Commissioner Anderson arrived.

II. Public Comment

Commissioner Hannigan shared some highlights from Commissioner Ayala's nearly 12 years of service on the Commission and presented him a plaque in thanks. Supervisor Vasquez also expressed his gratitude for Commissioner Ayala's service to County and the Country.

Kathy Lago, executive director of Solano Family and Children's Service presented their First Annual Report, thanked the Commission for helping them serve so many children and families in the county, and highlighted the value of the UC Berkeley program she participated in.

Commissioners Barton and Diaz arrived.

III. Consent Calendar

A. Approve the June 4, 2019 Commission Meeting Agenda.

Motion: Approve the Commission Meeting Agenda for June 4, 2019.

**Moved by Commissioner Estrella-Henderson; Seconded by Commissioner Ayala
Approved 8-0-0**

Yea: Commissioners Anderson, Ayala, Barton, Crutison, Diaz, Estrella-Henderson, Hannigan, Huber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

B. Approve April 2, 2019 Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion: Approve the Commission Meeting Minutes for April 2, 2019.

Moved by Commissioner Huber; Seconded by Commissioner Crutison

Approved 8-0-0

Yea: Commissioners Anderson, Ayala, Barton, Crutison, Diaz, Estrella-Henderson, Hannigan, Huber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

IV. FY2019/20 Annual Grant Allocations of Funding

Motion: Consider approval of allocations of funding of up to \$98,536 for FY2019/20 Annual Grants in response to Request for Applications #2019-02 as follows:

- a. Up to \$20,000 to FSUSD Adult School to construct an age-appropriate playground***
- b. Up to \$14,865 to Solano County Library to train staff to provide Kidding Around Yoga classes to families with children ages 0-5***
- c. Up to \$20,000 to United Way of the Bay Area to pilot family centered financial literacy coaching***
- d. Up to \$8,000 to Innovative Health Solutions to pilot a trauma informed nutrition curriculum to mothers of children ages 0-5***
- e. Up to \$17,320 to the Eric Reyes Foundation to pilot a bilingual art program with grandparents of children ages 3-5***
- f. Up to \$18,351 to Solano Family and Children's services to provide a series of hands-on workshops for children, families and exempt caregivers***
(Source of funds: 2018-2023 Program Investment Plan)

Juanita Morales described the programs that were recommended by the panel for funding and explained why others were not recommended. Some of the proposals that did not meet criteria had good ideas and could benefit from some technical assistance or direction toward other pathways. Some duplicated programs already in action. The panel, in seeking to ensure the Commission's investments are to the level of quality that families in the community deserve, is recommending a second cycle be completed in the second half of FY2019/20 with the unspent funds. With the Commission's approval, the recommended programs would begin services July 1, 2019.

Commissioner Crutison asked what the timeline for the second cycle would be. Ms. Morales declared this had not yet been determined. Commissioner Huber asked if United Way of the Bay Area (UWBA) and Innovative Health Solutions had a Solano County presence. Ms. Morales informed the Commission that UWBA operated a SparkPoint center at Solano Community College in Fairfield and at an FRC in Vallejo. Innovative Health Solutions' Executive

Director Norma Lisenko explained they have been operating out of Benicia for a year and were previously called Healthy Cooking with Kids. Commissioner Hannigan asked what was innovative about the FSUSD Adult School's playground. Cheryl Stumbaugh, Parent Education Department Chair, cited features such as a donated mural, extensive color, modern ADA standards, and puddle-themed walkways.

Moved by Commissioner Barton; Seconded by Commissioner Diaz

Approved 8-0-0

Yea: Commissioners Anderson, Ayala, Barton, Crutison, Diaz, Estrella-Henderson, Hannigan, Huber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

V. Public Hearing: First 5 California FY2017/18 Annual Report

Motion: Consider acceptance of the First 5 California Children and Families Commission's FY2017/18 Annual Report, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 130150

Chair Hannigan opened the public hearing. Juanita Morales explained that all First 5 Commissions were mandated to be presented with the First 5 California Annual Report in a public hearing to maintain qualification for funding. Ms. Morales explained how State dollars are distributed and allocated toward improved family functioning, child development, child health, and systems of care. Ms. Morales also reviewed highlights of First 5 Solano's FY2017/18 Report to First 5 California.

Moved by Commissioner Estrella-Henderson; Seconded by Commissioner Ayala

Approved 8-0-0

Yea: Commissioners Anderson, Ayala, Barton, Crutison, Diaz, Estrella-Henderson, Hannigan, Huber

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Chair Hannigan closed the public hearing.

VI. First 5 Center Update

Megan Richards shared updates to the Vallejo First 5 Center at 3375 Sonoma Blvd. Demolition has started at the site. Construction documents will soon be finalized, and the permitting process will begin. The contract with Bay Area Community Resources has been finalized and goes to the Board of Supervisors June 25 for approval with July 1 start date. Ms. Richards reviewed layout and design plans of the site.

Lorraine Fernandez updated the Commission on fund development. The most recent \$100,000 received from Syar took funds over \$1,000,000 mark and over halfway to the goal. First 5 is partnering with BACR to work on funders who won't give to government agencies.

Commissioner Crutison left.

VII. Policy and Oversight Committee Report

Commissioner Huber reported there were no action items to discuss from the last Committee meeting.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

Ms. Harris announced the Commission retreat scheduled for October 19 is cancelled and will be replaced with the First 5 Center grand opening. Commissioner Diaz was thanked for attending First 5 Advocacy Day. First 5 Solano received a \$90,000 grant from Kaiser for ACEs media campaign. Ms. Harris revealed a new Non-Profit Capacity Building cohort is being launched in collaboration with Solano County Health & Social Services. Commissioners were invited to visit Pre-K academies and distribute books to kids. Ms. Morales invited Commissioners to attend the Solano County Fair June 28-30 and read to children in the First 5 Zone. Ms. Harris asked that Commissioners read the letter from auditors in the meeting packet. Ms. Harris thanked Commissioner Estrella-Henderson for hosting the Resilient Solano Summit.

IX. Commissioner Remarks

Commissioner Estrella-Henderson thanked First 5 Solano staff for work on Resilient Solano Summit and observed the work being done is tipping measurable outcomes. Commissioner Ayala thanked all for the kudos and indicated his desire to attend the First 5 Center opening. Commissioner Anderson commended Commissioner Hannigan for her work on a successful event at Solano Middle School and shared her excitement about the First 5 Center. Commissioner Huber extended gratitude for Commissioner Ayala's service and appreciation for being a part of the commission, which he knows to be one of the best in the area.

X. Future Agenda Items

The next Commission meeting will be held on August 13, 2019 at 5:30PM at 601 Texas Street, Conference Room B, Fairfield. Future agenda items include: Committee Report, Community Indicators, FY2018/19 Annual Grants Final Report

Adjourn

Chair Hannigan adjourned the meeting at 7:01 PM.

Luke Winders, Office Assistant III

Approved:



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