COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, September 19, 2018  
Sutter Health and Education Conference Center, Barton Room  
1700 McHenry Ave., Ste. 60-B, Modesto, CA

Members Present: Kathy Harwell (Chair), Nelly Paredes-Walsborn (Vice Chair), Vicki Bauman, Vito Chiesa, Mary Ann Lee, Dr. Julie Vaishampayan, George Skol, Ignacio Cantu Jr.

Members Absent: David Cooper

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

1. Chair Harwell called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. Commission members, staff, and attendees were introduced and welcomed.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

3. Announcement of Commissioner Recusals – None

4. Public Comment Period – None

5. Consent Calendar  
The Consent Calendar was approved.  
Motion by Skol, Second by Lee. (7-0) (Chiesa absent during motion.)

6. Executive Director’s Office  
A. Executive Director Jones provided kudos to staff for meeting support and logistics.  
B. Jones discussed the Brown & Armstrong audit and provided kudos to staff for their hard work handling the audit process.  
C. Jones discussed the October 23 Commission meeting will be a little longer due to necessary compliance topics that will be discussed, such as the annual report to the state, and the audit.  
D. Jones provided a brief recap on the August 25 Early Care and Education Conference.  
E. Jones reported the FRC Leadership Team discussed Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) and the continued effort to find leveraging opportunities for funding.  
F. Jones discussed the 2018-2019 provider training calendar, and the current success of the training pilot project. Staff will look and continuing with a 2019 partner training program. There was discussion of a potential opportunity to create an online training calendar where many different training opportunities could be listed.

7. Committee Reports – None  
8. Correspondence – None  
9. Discussion Items – None  
10. Commission Reports – None  
11. Staff Reports – None
12. Strategic Direction / Planning
   - Maggie Steakley (GPG) provided an agenda for Strategic Direction and Planning.
   - Steakley and Commissioners participated in collective discussion to review current vision and values reflected in the August 30 meeting.

Member Chiesa arrived at 9:53 AM.
Session Recess – 10:05 a.m.
Session Resumed – 10:15 a.m.
   - Steakley and Commissioners discussed the Commission’s values, focus areas, and goals.
   - Steakley and Commissioners interacted and discussed various ways to reach the goals.
   - Audience members provided feedback and reflections on the strategic planning.
   - Commissioners provided feedback to the audience, and provided their reflections on the strategic planning process.
   - Steakley stated the next steps would be to summarize the notes, revise the objectives, vision, and values, and then work through strategies and roles.
   - The next Steering Committee meeting is on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.
   - The next Commission meeting is on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at County Center III, 917 Oakdale Road in Modesto.

13. The Commission meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.