



**STANISLAUS COUNTY  
CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, April 23, 2019  
Stanislaus County Office of Education, Board Room  
1100 H Street, Modesto, CA**

**Commissioners Present:** Vicki Bauman, Vito Chiesa, David Cooper, Kathy Harwell (Chair), Mary Ann Lee, Nelly Paredes-Walsborn (Vice Chair), George Skol,

**Commissioners Absent:** Ignacio Cantu, Jr., Dr. Julie Vaishampayan

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

1. Chair Harwell called the meeting to order at 4:02 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 Comment Period
  - Steve Ashman from CASA thanked the Commission for their financial support. He especially thanked former Executive Director John Sims and Commissioner George Skol for their support and encouragement. Even though they will no longer be funded by the Commission, the two positions which had been funded by the Commission have been sustainably retained in their organization.
  - Julie Falkenstein from the Health Services Agency thanked the Commission for their support of the Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) grant application. A coalition consisting of FRCs, Health Services Agency, Community Services Agency, and others, was notified it was approved for a \$1.8 million OCAP Prevention grant. Funding would be \$600,000 for three years. There will be a navigator in four of the Family Resource Centers.
5. Consent Calendar  
The Consent Calendar was approved.  
**Motion by Skol, Second by Paredes-Walsborn . (7-0)**
6. Discussion Items
  - A. Commissioners accepted the Stanislaus County Children and Families Commission 2017-2018 Annual Program Evaluation. The Commission heard a presentation from Stephanie Loomis on the report.  
**Motion by Lilly-Tengowski, Second by Skol. (7-0)**

7. Public Hearings
  - A. The Commission conducted a Public Hearing on the First 5 California 2017-2018 Annual Report and accepted the report. The Commission heard a presentation by Stephanie Loomis on the report.  
***Motion by Parades-Walsborn, Second by Skol. (7-0)***
8. Correspondence – None
9. Commissioner Reports – None
10. Staff Reports
  - Executive Director Jones shared that Prop 56 revenue was coming in at around 50% of what was projected. The State has adjusted revenue projections downward for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and future years. Jones reinforced the importance of the actions the Commission has taken to stabilize the use of fund balance and to reduce expenditures. Jones let the Commission know they will be considering the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget at their May Commission meeting and this budget will reflect the contract actions taken by the Commission at their December 11, 2018 meeting. Stephanie Loomis reported on the changes taking place with how site visits are scheduled, prepared for and conducted. Jones thanked her for her work in this area. Jones informed the Commission that Dr. Harold Stanislaw from CSUS has received CSUS grant funding to continue work on the previous school readiness project analysis. All First 5 Stanislaus staff will be attending a site visit to First 5 Sacramento on May 23 to learn about their work with FRCs, sustainability, outcomes and more. Jones shared at the end of the May 28, 2019 Commission meeting, there will be a celebration to recognize and honor all the Commission's long-term partnerships in recent history. Jones noted how important a complete count is for the 2020 census and that he is participating on the Complete Count Committee. At the May 23, 2019 Commission meeting, the Commission will be considering moving the December 10, 2019, Commission meeting to December 3, 2019. The First 5 Association foundation has now changed its name to the First 5 Center for Children's Policy to reflect its alignment with the First 5 network strategy. Jones shared the 2020 Child Health, Education and Care Summit has been scheduled for February 3–5 in Irvine, CA.
11. The Commission adjourned to closed session at 4:40 p.m. Public Employee Evaluation, Title: Executive Director, Government Code: 54957(b)
  - Reporting out of closed session at the Commission's April 23, 2019 regular meeting, the Commission considered the annual performance of the Executive Director. Overall, the Commission was extremely pleased with the Director's performance, and provided constructive feedback regarding successes and opportunities for improvement. The Commission used the County Pay-for-Performance system, and based on the overall composite score of the Commissioners, the Executive Director is entitled to a 5% pay increase.
12. Adjourned at 5:13 p.m.