



**STANISLAUS COUNTY
CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 24, 2021
Zoom**

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Commissioners Present: Vicki Bauman, Vito Chiesa, David Cooper (Vice-Chair), Kathy Harwell, Nelly Paredes-Walsborn, Dr. Julie Vaishampayan

Commissioners Absent: Ignacio Cantu, Jr.(Chair), Mary Ann Lilly-Tengowski, Tony Lomeli

Staff Present: David Jones, Executive Director; Veronica Ascencio, Accountant III; Angie Cobb, Commission Counsel; Kellie Edwards, Confidential Assistant; Stephanie Loomis, Staff Services Coordinator; Victoria Ven, Home Visiting Coordinator CE

1. Vice-Chair Cooper called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Commission members and First 5 staff were introduced.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.
3. Announcement of Commissioner Recusals – None
4. Presentation was given by the On The Verge team regarding the Leadership Cohort that was completed during the pandemic.
5. Public Comment Period (Limit of 5 minutes per person) – None
6. Consent Calendar
Paredes-Walsborn/Harwell (6,0) approved the Consent Calendar
 - A. Miscellaneous
 1. Approval of the June 22, 2021 Commission Meeting Minutes
 2. Approval of the August 9, 2021, Administrative Committee Minutes
 - a. Result Area Fiscal Report as of May 31, 2021
 3. Approval of the August 12, 2021, Operations Committee Minutes
 4. Approval of the August 18, 2021, Executive Committee Minutes
7. Discussion
 - A. Bauman/Paredes-Walsborn (6,0) approved the election of Mary Ann Lilly-Tengowski for the office of Vice-Chair for the term of September 1, 2021, to August 31, 2022. (The Vice-Chair will automatically become Chair on September 1, 2022, for a one-year term.)
 - B. Vaishampayan/Harwell (6,0) approved receipt of the award from Sunlight Giving in the amount of \$120,000; approved the identified distribution of funds to the identified organizations; approved the standardized language describing the use of the emergency funding across the past awards and new \$120,000 emergency award; approved a simplified

tracking and reporting mechanism which would allow FRCs to bring all six of the pandemic emergency funding awards into a single pool for tracking purposes; authorized organizations with multiple FRC sites (Sierra Vista, Center for Human Services, and Parent Resource Center) to shift emergency funds between their First 5 contracted FRC sites as necessary based on community need; authorized staff to make the necessary technical adjustments to process payments to the identified organizations; and authorized staff to make the necessary technical and budget adjustments to increase the First 5 Revenue and Appropriations by \$120,000 for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 legal budget.

8. Public Hearing - None

9. Correspondence – None

Commissioner Vaishampayan left the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

10. Commissioner Reports – Commissioner Bauman shared an update on Stanislaus County Office of Education’s (SCOE) chrome book distribution project.

Commissioner Chiesa left the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

11. Staff Reports

A. Executive Director Report - Jones shared the recommendation to appoint the new CSA Director, Amanda Sharp, to fill the upcoming vacancy to be created by Kathy Harwell’s retirement. Jones shared that First 5 sent a letter of support for a SCOE Grant application for parenting funding. Jones presented updates on the First 5 Association Race, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (REDI) Survey and upcoming REDI trainings; COVID-19 updates on Brown Act meetings; and the Supply Bank distribution. Jones updated attendees on the joint contract with CSA for Differential Response Family Resource Centers (DRFRCs) including the contractor orientation, PlanetBaby! orientation, and the parenting trainings that are currently underway and scheduled for September/October 2021. Jones discussed the process for developing new internal controls associated with the joint CSA contract for DRFRCs. Jones shared that the annual outside audit is underway and thanked staff for their preparation for the audit; the August Early Care and Education (ECE) conference held on August 21 went extremely well; plans for the new online data reporting system for funded partners are moving forward; and that the next Report to the Community will feature the Hughson Family Resource Center. Revenue projections for year-end were discussed as well as the new long-term revenue projections recently released by First 5 California.

12. The Commission meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.