



**STANISLAUS COUNTY
CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 27, 2024
Stanislaus County Office of Education - Board Room
1100 H Street, Modesto, California 95354**

Commissioners Present: Vito Chiesa, David Cooper, Dr. Daniel Diep, Christine Huber, Tony Jordan, Mary Ann Lilly-Tengowski (Chair), Keri Magee, Dr. Thea Papasozomenos, Nelly Paredes-Walsborn (Vice Chair)

Commissioners Absent:

Staff Present: Veronica Ascencio, Jasmine Gutierrez, Dr. Shameram Karim, Sonia Ramirez

Counsel Present: Sophia Ahmad

1. Commissioner Lilly-Tengowski called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Commissioner Chiesa arrived at 4:06 p.m.

Commissioners and staff introduced themselves

2. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted
3. Announcement of Commissioner Recusals – None
4. Public Comment Period (Limit of 5 minutes per person) – None
5. Consent Calendar
Paredes-Walsborn/Chiesa (8,0) approved Consent Calendar
 - A. Miscellaneous
 1. Approved the May 28, 2024, Commission Meeting Minutes
 2. Approved the August 12, 2024, Administrative Committee Meeting Minutes
 - a. Result Areas Contract Report as of June 30, 2024
 - b. 2025 First 5 Stanislaus Committee and Commission Meeting Dates
 3. Approved the August 15, 2024, Operations Committee Meeting Minutes
 4. Approved the August 21, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
 5. Approved to accept \$1,000,000 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funding from the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors (BOS) for the purpose of increasing the number of available childcare providers within the county

Commissioner Cooper arrived at 4:09 p.m.

6. Discussion Items
 - A. Jordan/Magee (9,0) approved the 2025 First 5 Stanislaus Committee and Commission Meeting Dates
7. Public Hearings – None
8. Correspondence – None

9. Commissioner Report
 - A. Paredes-Walsborn shared that the Early Childhood Conference on August 17th, was well attended and very well organized. Whisperers were offered to attendees with translation in Spanish. Paredes-Walsborn encouraged future conferences to include bilingual options for the Spanish speaking community.
 - B. Chiesa congratulated Lilly-Tengowski on her last meeting as Chair and expressed appreciation for all her hard work and for the length of service to the First 5 Commission. Chiesa welcomed Paredes-Walsborn into her new role as Chair beginning September 1, 2024.
 - C. Lilly-Tengowski commended the Executive Director for all the support in facilitating meetings and for the partnership.
10. Staff Reports
 - A. Executive Director Karim thanked Lilly-Tengowski for her time as Chair with the Commission and presented her with a gift. Executive Director Karim announced newly appointed Chair Paredes-Walsborn and Vice Chair Huber, effective September 1st.
11. Adjournment at 4:15 p.m.