

FIRST 5 YOLO
Commission Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2008

The First 5 Yolo Children and Families Commission met on the 14th day of May, 2008 at the First 5 Yolo office at 403 Court Street, Woodland, California at 2:00 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance: Helen Thomson (Chair), Suzanne Anderson, , Bette Hinton, Pam Miller, Jorge Ayala, Sheila Allen

Staff in Attendance: Julie Gallelo, Margaret Bacot, LaTina Price, Regan Overholt, Jackie Hausman

Public in Attendance: L. Aldrete, ACS Quantum Strategies; C. Jones, YC Health Dept.; T. Kwak, R & R, C. Pierson, YFRC.

Item 1: Call to order

Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

Item 2: Roll Call

Item 3: Approval of Agenda

MOTION: S. Allen **SECOND:** B. Hinton Motion carries unanimously.

Item 4: Public Comment

H. Thomson welcomed those in attendance and invited the public to address the Commission on any issue that is not on the agenda. No public comments were made.

B. Hinton introduced Carrie Jones a new addition to her team at the YC Health Department.

Item 5 –10: Consent Agenda

Item 6: Commission Calendar has a correction: Program and Policy meeting scheduled for June 5, 2008 will be held from 2:30 – 4:30pm.

Approve agenda items 5 – 10.

MOTION: P. Miller **SECOND:** S. Allen Motion carries unanimously.

Item #11A: Treasurer's Report

M. Bacot reported that the Revenue and Expense report thru March 2008 was approved by the Finance committee and showed no outstanding issues.

Receive Revenue and Expense Report thru March 31, 2008 as presented.

MOTION: B. Hinton **SECOND:** S. Allen Motion carries unanimously.

Item #11B: FY08-09 Operating Budget

M. Bacot reported that the 08/09 budget was approved by the finance committee and shows an increased contribution from the reserve fund and that subsequent years will also show a significant decrease in the reserve fund balance. She announced that the budget details were reviewed and discussed with the Yolo County auditor who advised that up to 7 years of funding may be encumbered in the agency's budget.

Approve FY08-09 Operating Budget as presented.

MOTION: B. Hinton **SECOND:** S. Allen Motion carries unanimously.

Item #11C: Fiscal Sustainability Plan

M. Bacot reported that the fiscal sustainability plan approved by the finance committee shows the 06/07 actual expenditures, 07/08 budgeted amounts, and projections for FY08/09 through FY16/17. The contribution from the reserve fund has been designated at \$700,000 per year. She noted that the sustainability plan will be updated with the 07/08 actuals in September.

Approve Fiscal Sustainability Plan for FY06/07 – FY16/17.

MOTION: B. Hinton **SECOND:** S. Allen Motion carries unanimously.

Item #12: UP4WS Reorganization

J. Gallelo discussed the opportunity for the restructuring of the administration and governance of the UP4WS program and the recommendations from stakeholders for the continuance of a successful program. The subsequent recommendation for the City of West Sacramento to replace First 5 Yolo as the fiscal agent and for First 5 Yolo staff to create MOU's to establish the UP4WS Executive Board was approved by the program and policy committee. All partners including the City of West Sacramento, the Washington Unified School District, and the Yolo County Office of Education have given their approval for the proposed reorganization strategy.

C. Pierson, the chair of the UP4WS Advisory Committee addressed commissioners on the benefits of the proposed reorganization.

Approve the restructuring of UP4WS placing City of West Sacramento as the Fiscal Agent and allowing staff to work on an MOU to create a new governance structure the UP4WS Executive Board.

MOTION: S. Allen **SECOND:** B. Hinton Motion carries unanimously.

Item #13: Public Hearing on First 5 CA Annual Report

As mandated by the Children and Families Act, each county commission is required to hold a public hearing to review the First 5 CA Annual Report. The 2006-2007 report introduces a more reader friendly format and includes county by county profiles as a separate document.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

No public comments were made.

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING

Approve First 5 CA Annual Report for FY06-07

MOTION: J. Ayala

SECOND: P. Miller

Motion carries unanimously.

Item #14: First 5 Yolo Strategic Plan

Discussion and voting on the First 5 Yolo 2008 Strategic Plan was tabled until the next meeting at which time a public hearing will be conducted prior to the commission's action on this matter.

Item #15: Executive Director's Report

Commission staff gave updates on program activities. J. Hausman reported that the CHI developed and implementation plan for sustaining Healthy Kids enrollments for 6-18 in the event that funding runs out. She stated that the foundations will continue to fund the program for an addition year postponing the need for implementing the contingency plan. R. Overholt reported that the recent restructuring of the Washington Unified School District has resulted in the School Readiness Coordinator position being cancelled. Staff will discuss options for continuing the school readiness program in West Sacramento were maintenance of effort is a condition of First 5 CA funding. J. Gallelo reported that 12 Letters of Intent were received for the Integrated Family Support Initiative RFP and that she is anticipating to receive 6 – 8 proposals.

Item #16: Commissioner Reports

P. Miller announced that during foster parent appreciation month, the banquet honoring Yolo County foster parents was very nice. She stated that the collaboration between FKCE and DESS is going well and for the first time the number of foster care homes in the county has increased. She reported that the state adoption agency is bringing the heart gallery to Yolo County to represent its foster children.

B. Hinton reported that the budget cuts will affect the Medi-cal fee structure and possibly discourage providers to accept Medi-cal patients. Programs experiencing budget cuts include CCS and CHDP and the HIV and AIDS money has been cut in its entirety. The cost of care does not decrease which means fewer services will be available for children.

J. Ayala announced that he attended a presentation by Dr. Thomson who supports the developmental benefits of starting interventions prenatally. He suggested getting Dr. Thomson to come to Yolo County to present to ECE providers. He reported that Western Association of Schools and Colleges granted 3-yr accreditation to the Einstein Education Center and that John Moppler will give a presentation "State of the state for education" on June 16th at YCOE and invited those interested to attend.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m. The next commission meeting will be held June 11, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.