

**FIRST 5 YOLO**  
Commission Meeting Minutes  
December 9, 2009

The First 5 Yolo Children and Families Commission met on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2009 at the First 5 Yolo office at 223 Elm Street, Woodland, California at 2:00 p.m.

**Commissioners in Attendance:** Helen Thomson (Chair), Donita Stromgren (Vice-Chair), Suzanne Anderson (Treasurer), Sue Heitman, Karen Ziebron, Rick Baker, Kim Suderman, Jorge Ayala, Pam Miller

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

**Public in Attendance:** L. Aldrete, J. Iser, K. Villegas, R. Townsley

Item #1: Call to order

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

Item #2: Roll Call

Belated: J. Ayala, P. Miller and K. Suderman

Item #3: Approval of Agenda

*Approve the agenda as presented.*

**MOTION:** S. Anderson      **SECOND:** D. Stromgren      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.

Item #5-8: Consent Agenda

5. 10/14/09 Commission Meeting Minutes
6. December 2009 /January 2010 Commission Calendar
7. 11/02/09 Program and Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
8. 11/06/09 Public Awareness Committee Meeting Minutes

*Approve consent agenda items 5-8.*

**MOTION:** D. Stromgren      **SECOND:** K. Ziebron      Motion carries unanimously.

Item #9: Safety Net Funding \$85,000

J. Gallelo announced that Commissioners are looking at Part II of the Safety Net Funding Process. She reported that \$215,000 of the \$300,000 allocated for Safety Net Funding was awarded to YCCA and the Yolo County Food Bank and DESS at the previous Commission Meeting. Funding recommendations for RISE, Inc. and Perinatal Substance Abuse called for additional research into the needs of Western Yolo County and the state of Perinatal Substance Abuse programs in the County. The Program and Policy Committee reviewed the results of the additional inquiry and is recommending that both programs be funded.

***Approve safety net funding in the amount of \$25,000 to RISE, Inc. for Safety Net Resource & Referral Case Manager and \$60,000 to CommuniCare Health Centers to enhance the Perinatal Day Treatment Program.***

**MOTION:** S. Heitman

**SECOND:** R. Baker

Motion carries unanimously.

Item #10: Grantee Presentation: CommuniCare's Children's Oral Health Project

A. Kelley provided an overview of CommuniCare Health Centers' mission and scope of services offered. She introduced Dr. Chang, CommuniCare's Dental Director, who further introduced himself to Commissioners and discussed the achievements of the Access to Oral Health Project during its first year of funding under the Commission's IFSI grant. He reported that previous funding from the Commission for the agency to develop a Dental Business Plan has helped the agency budget to be "in the black" for the first time in a while and is hopeful that the agency will continue to be successful.

Item #11: Community Presentation: Countywide Childcare Services

G. Nadal of the Local Childcare Planning Council and L. Ivans of the City of Davis Childcare Services Department presented information on their agency's role in the area of childcare in Yolo County. Each presenter reviewed their organizational structure, funding, mandated activities, services provided and collaborative efforts to share resources and avoid duplication of services.

Item #12: First 5 Yolo Evaluation & Outcomes Presentation FY08-09

F. Wright of Davis Consultant Network presented evaluation and outcome highlights for the Commission's FY 08-09 funded programs in the areas of Physical Health, Social & Emotional Health, Ready to Learn, Childcare and Systems Change efforts.

Item #13: Election of First 5 Yolo 2010 Officers

The Commission held its annual election of officers based on the First 5 Yolo Officer Nomination Protocol. The official slate of officers for 2010 proposed by the Nominating Committee is: Donita Stromgren, Commission Vice-Chair and Chair of the Personnel Committee; Suzanne Anderson, Commission Treasurer and Chair of the Personnel Committee; Sue Heitman, Chair of the Program and Policy Committee; Karen Ziebron, Chair of the Public Awareness Committee.

***Approve 2010 Officer Slate as recommended by the Officer Nominating Committee.***

**MOTION:** J. Ayala

**SECOND:** K. Suderman

Motion carries unanimously.

Item #14: Executive Director Report

Commissioners received a brief update of staff activities, funded programs and events.

Item #15: Commissioner's Reports

K. Suderman reminded everyone that the ADMH Department will be closed for furlough during the last 2 weeks of December.

D. Stromgren reported that the California Childcare Resource & Referral Network will release its 2009 version of a report on Child Care Supply and Demand in Ca. The report will be released online.

S. Anderson reported that the Winters Healthcare Foundation has hired a Spanish speaking licensed clinical social worker.

P. Miller announced that Child Welfare Services will move to Cottonwood during the second week of January. She reported that DESS is running the Toys for Tots program with local Marines and is taking referrals from parents seeking toys for their children. They are seeing an overwhelming response for toys this year.

R. Baker reported that the flu vaccine coverage is very good. Seasonal flu shot numbers are up and the H1N1 coverage is good but with restrictive criteria for recipients. The H1N1 virus is on the decline and the RSV season is coming up affecting children under the age of one. He reported that the proposed healthcare reform will create a shift in how coverage is brought to children. He announced that Explorit is hosting "Toddler Tuesdays" at 11:00am and that as the Co-chair of the Salvation Army Bucket Brigade he will be participating at Nugget Market in Davis. He thanked the Commission and staff for his first year serving on the Commission and said that he enjoyed getting to know everyone.

J. Ayala announced that YCOE is providing fiscal oversight of districts in Yolo County and that the first interim report is due the coming week. The Head Start book drive is in its 4<sup>th</sup> year and received enough books to provide 1-2 books for all children in Head Start programs.

K. Ziebron thanked staff and stated that she was impressed with the amount of work being done. She announced that she is visiting funded agencies and witnessing their program activities.

S. Heitman reported that she is a first time grandmother and experienced the challenges of a high-risk pregnancy with her foster daughter who has Type II Diabetes.

H. Thomson announced that the County welcomed a new CAO who will begin full-time in January 2010. She reported that the Winters Library opened in mid-November with a total of 3 new libraries opening throughout the County over the past 18 months. She reported that she offered the assistance of First 5 Yolo and the Yolo County Breastfeeding Coalition to UC Davis who has elected to close down their breastfeeding stations next year in an attempt to save dollars. She added that the County offices, not including DESS, will be closed for 2 weeks and that only emergency services will be available at this time.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m. The next commission meeting will be held January 13, 2010.

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