



The First 5 Yolo Children and Families Commission met on the 11th day of January, 2023.

NOTE: This meeting was held via teleconference, pursuant to AB361.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Jim Provenza, Sally Brown, Karleen Jakowski, Nichole Arnold, Garth Lewis, Heidy Kellison

Staff in Attendance:

Gina Daleiden, Victoria Zimmerle, Rachel McFarland

Public in Attendance:

Lucas Frerichs

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Item #1: Call to order

J. Provenza called the meeting to order at: **3:04pm**.

Item #2: Roll Call

V. Zimmerle took a voice roll call.

Absent: Verna Sulpizio, Jenn Rexroad, Melissa Roberts

Item #3: Approval of Agenda

Approve Agenda

Motion: G. Lewis **Second:** S. Brown

V. Zimmerle took a roll call vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item #4: Opportunity for Commissioners to state Conflict and Recusal

None.

Item #5: Public Comment

None.

Item #6: Approve First 5 Yolo Commission Meeting Minutes from 10/19/2022

Item #7: Receive Sponsorship Fund Allocations Report (CommuniCare Health Centers: All Staff Meeting Welcome Baby/R2R)

Item #8: Approve Pay Scale Reclass for First 5 Yolo Management Services Officer Position



Item #9: Authorize Remote (teleconference/videoconference) Meetings by Finding, Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, that Local Officials Continue to Recommend Measures to Promote Social Distancing as a Result of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Approve consent agenda items 6-9

Motion: S. Brown **Second:** G. Lewis

V. Zimmerle took a roll call vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item #10: Hold Public Hearing: Receive First 5 Yolo Annual Local Evaluation Report FY21/22

G. Daleiden noted that per Statute, First 5 holds public hearings prior to adopting annual audits and reports. The First 5 Yolo Local Evaluation Report is an annual report summarizing the evaluation of funded programs and services and highlighting expected future work.

First 5 Yolo contracts with LPC Consulting Associates, Inc. to provide local evaluation assistance. LPC works with First 5 Yolo staff and funded partners to provide outside review of program level evaluation data, and First 5 Yolo staff works with funded partners on performance measures and analysis. First 5 Yolo staff summarizes overall agency results and shared measures across individual programs, as well as features some program highlights for each fiscal year. The Commission receives a Local Evaluation Report and a summary public presentation on the impact of First 5 Yolo investments near the beginning of each calendar year.

Highlights from the report, which covers the whole of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 include: noted the help and support provided by the Baby to Baby foundation as well as Yolo County Office of Education.

Highlights include:

- F5Y maintains a whole-child, whole-family approach and served a diverse population of children, parents/guardians, as well as many providers working directly with children 0-5 and their families
- Aligned to First 5 Yolo's focus on deepening supports at the earliest point of leverage in a child's life, F5Y increased the proportion of children prenatal through age 2 served with 59% of children served under 3 years of age
- First 5 Yolo, thanks in large part to its partnership with Yolo County Office of Education and the Baby-to-Baby foundation delivered critical supplies to families, childcare providers, and family serving agencies throughout Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and continues this work in the current fiscal year.
- First 5 Yolo has three main initiatives: The CHILD Project: Road to Resilience which includes Welcome Baby, Help Me Grow, and IMPACT2020. Highlights of the exciting outcomes from those initiatives include:
 - 92% of children enrolled in The Child Project Road to Resilience (R2R) were up to date on immunizations



- 100% of families in Welcome Baby were screened for depression/anxiety and received health literacy books
- 99% of Family, Friend, Neighbor (FFN) providers participating in IMPACT2020 are working towards licensure in Yolo County
- 97% of FFN and licensed providers participating in IMPACT2020 Talk, Read, and Sing with children more often or more intentionally having participated in the program
- 100% of children served by Help Me Grow who were at risk of delays, were connected to at least one service.
- 100% of caregivers served by Help Me Grow's in-home therapy supports reduced depression scores and improved functioning in daily activities

Commissioners noted the wonderful outcomes seen across programs, asked questions, and discussed options for sustainability of programs on an ongoing basis, understanding that all programs include state, local and private funds and projected declines in Prop 10 revenues.

Chair opened the Public Hearing at **3:48 pm**.

No public comment.

Chair closed the Public Hearing at **3:49 pm**.

Item #11: Adopt First 5 Yolo Annual Local Evaluation Report FY21/22

Report and discussion on the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Annual Local Evaluation Report were heard in Item #10.

Adopt First 5 Yolo Annual Local Evaluation Report for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

Motion: G. Lewis **Second:** H. Kellison

V. Zimmerle took a roll call vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item #12: Approve First 5 Yolo Program Supervisor Position to Begin CalWORKS Home Visiting Grant Work

The Commission had previously reviewed and discussed development of First 5 Yolo's new partnership with County of Yolo CalWORKs to administer the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Home Visiting Program (HVP) in Yolo County. Services to eligible families will be funded by HVP, and necessary administrative costs will be funded by the CDSS program as well. First 5 Yolo staff and County CalWORKs staff have already begun planning to submit the required application materials and plan and coordinate program launch. CDSS has advised that initial program and budget information is due at the end of January 2023, with the fuller application due March 2023. The program is expected to fund and to "go live" July 2023.



The Executive Director recommends approval of a Program Supervisor position for First 5 Yolo to be filled at .5FTE by a current First 5 Yolo employee beginning January 15, 2023. Once the CalWORKs Home Visiting Program grant funds, which is expected in July 2023, this part-time position will be fully funded by grant revenue. Depending on program needs and requirements, the incumbent may increase in grant-funded FTE after July 1, 2023.

Program Supervisor Position 5-step Salary Scale proposed at: \$77,502.88-\$94,190.93 (\$27.2610-\$45.2841 hourly) with First 5 Yolo Supervisor Unit level benefits.

Approve First 5 Yolo Program Supervisor Position to Begin CalWORKS Home Visiting Grant Work

Motion: S. Brown **Second:** N. Arnold

V. Zimmerle took a roll call vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item #13: Accept Q1 FY2022-2023 Revenue and Expenditure Summary Report

Quarterly, the Commission reviews a Revenue and Expenditure Year-to-Date Summary Report tracking actual and projected revenues and expenditures against the current approved budget, and First 5 Yolo staff recommend changes to the budget based on the projections and other relevant information, if necessary.

V. Zimmerle reviewed the report and noted the following:

- In November 2022, First 5 Yolo received updated revenue projections from First 5 California however, the projections relied 2019 birth data. First 5 CA expects to release revised projections in early 2023 and at that time, updated birth projections should be available to incorporate into First 5 Yolo's Budget. Once updated birth projections are received and factored into State allocations, First 5 Yolo anticipates The Commission receiving a "true-up" of 2022-2023 Prop 10 allocations already received. This is expected to be an increase in revenue for Yolo, given publicly available 2020 birthrates published by Department of Health Care Services. First 5 CA and First 5 Association continue to work with State Department of Financial services to receive updated allocations.
- Additionally, in November 2022, Prop 31 was approved by voters, banning the sale of flavored tobacco products in California. While a positive step for public health supported by First 5, Prop 31 will negatively impact Prop 10 revenues on an ongoing basis; the impact of which, continues to unfold. Currently available information is included in the Prop 10 revenue projections provided in this report and upon receipt of updated Prop 10 projections -- taking into account updated birth projections and the initial impact of Prop 31 -- staff will update First 5 Yolo's budget
- Proposed Budget revisions reflect the Commission's action to apply an additional 5% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for all First 5 Yolo staff, approval of the Program Supervisor Position, and approval of First 5 Yolo's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Cannabis Tax Request to support The CHILD Project: Road to Resilience.



- F5Y is heavily leveraged with grant funding and continues to experience delays with reimbursements on various grants. F5Y will need to continue to be mindful of cash flow while waiting for these reimbursements.

Commissioners discussed and asked whether there was an immediate need for local advocacy around delayed birth projections. G. Daleiden provided detail on ongoing coordination with First 5 Association, First 5 California and other County Commissions to resolve the issue. She also shared an update on First 5's work to increase funding at the state level.

Accept Q1 FY2022-2023 Revenue and Expenditure Summary Report

Motion: H. Kellison **Second:** K. Jakowski

V. Zimmerle took a roll call vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item #14: Receive Update on First 5 Yolo Strategic Planning

First 5 Yolo's current Strategic Plan concludes June 30, 2023, and to remain in compliance with the Children and Families Act of 1998, The First 5 Yolo Commission must adopt a new Strategic Plan to begin July 1, 2023. The Strategic Plan encompass a framing of agency priorities, approaches, and values, as well as an adopted Funding Plan for investments.

First 5 Yolo Staff have been preparing for the Strategic Planning work of The Commission and First 5 Yolo. As discussed in previous meetings, Rafael Gomez, principal for El Cambio Consulting, has been engaged to act as First 5 Yolo's consultant through the process. Rafael Gomez was the lead consultant for First 5 Association's recent Strategic Plan, including the application of the REDI (race, equity, diversity, inclusion) lens, and is in a unique position to efficiently and effectively assist First 5 Yolo with its effort.

In January, Mr. Gomez will meet again with First 5 Yolo Executive Director to finalize the timeline and activities. In early February, Staff will be engaged in a Planning Session, and, date TBA, in late February/early March, The Commission will convene for a facilitated Strategic Planning Retreat. El Cambio will also prepare and facilitate community listening sessions and/or interviews and compile and share results/highlights through the spring. The draft Strategic Plan is anticipated to be reviewed by The Commission at its meeting in May, with the final Strategic Plan adopted by The Commission at its regular meeting in June.

Commissioners asked questions and discussed.

Item #15: Executive Director Report

G. Daleiden Updated the Commission on the following:

- G. Daleiden noted that there are multiple leveraging opportunities that may be available for First 5 Yolo, including: State Child and Youth Behavioral Health Grants; a portion of the Health and Human Services Agency Requests for Proposal (RFP) which focuses on children 0-5; and First 5 CA RFA's.



- G. Daleiden provided an update on the First 5 Association sustainability workgroup and its efforts to establish sustainable sources of funding for First 5's.
- First 5 Association has created a state budget ask to begin to offset funding lost through the passage of Prop 31 (ban on flavored tobacco products). First 5 Association has approached the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) for support.
- First 5 Yolo staff members S. Hartman (Systems Improvement and Implementation Officer) and M. Ortigas (Management Services Officer) received merit/step increases following positive performance reviews.
- City of Woodland City Council will be voting soon on approval of \$150,000 in funding for Welcome Baby. Dignity Hospital is fully onboarded to refer mothers directly from labor and delivery to Welcome Baby nurses.
- G. Daleiden also provided an update on Winters Parent Nursery School (WPNS). WPNS is still determining potential renovation or options to enhance their setting that are needed and possible. The building is owned by the City of Winters who must approve potential renovations.
- V. Zimmerle provided an update on the Childcare Recovery ARP project noting the early success of the project in supporting childcare providers. She also noted that initially, F5Y expected to see a greater number of Recovery Grant applications and fewer Infrastructure Grant applications however, a greater number of providers are applying for Infrastructure Grant to either expand an existing site, secure a new license, or to enhance their site so they may more safely serve children up to their license capacity. This is an exciting shift as Infrastructure Grants support increased capacity within the Childcare Sector across the County.

Commissioners asked questions and discussed.

Item #16: Commissioner Reports

K. Jakowski announced the appointment of Tony Kildare as the new director of Child Welfare at Yolo County.

H. Kellison noted that Yolo Crisis Nursery is excitingly concluding its Capital Campaign for its new building. Ground-breaking is intended to begin in 2023.

G. Lewis shared that the Road Map to the Future project will be starting the public engagement phase in late February. Commissioners will be invited to participate.

Item #17: Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at **4:58 pm**.

Next Commission Meeting scheduled:

March 08, 2023

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