



Children & Families Commission
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**Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 22, 2016
Stanislaus County Office of Education, Board Room
1100 "H" Street, Modesto CA 95354**

Members Present: Vicki Bauman, Vito Chiesa, David Cooper (Chair), Denise Hunt, Mary Ann Lee, Nelly Paredes-Walsborn, Madelyn Schlaepfer, George Skol (Vice Chair), and Dr. John Walker.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: John Sims, Executive Director; Tina Jamison, Accountant; Stephanie Loomis, Administration; and Jack Doering, Commission Counsel.

Chair Cooper called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

- I. Commission members were introduced and attendees were welcomed.
- II. Commission members and attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Announcement of Commissioner Recusals – None.
- IV. Public Comment Period – None.
- V. Consent Calendar - The Consent Calendar was approved.
Moved Skol, Seconded Walker. Unanimously approved. Commissioner Lee not present at time of vote.
- VI. Agenda Items
 - A. The Commission approved the Commission Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2015.
Approved on the consent calendar. Moved Skol, Seconded Walker. Unanimously approved. Commissioner Lee not present at time of vote.

Commissioner Lee arrived at 4:10 p.m.

B. Executive Director's Office

1. Per Section 130140 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Stanislaus County Children and Families Commission is required to hold a public hearing on the State Commission's Annual Report (which is submitted to the Legislature each January). The report in its entirety can be viewed on the State's website: http://www.first5california.com/pdf/annual_report_pdfs/Annual_Report_13-14.pdf.

The Commission heard a presentation on the State Commission report's contents and format from Stephanie Loomis. The State report highlighted the results for each of the four result areas (Family Functioning, Child Development, Health, and

Sustainable Systems) for FY 2014-2015 and summarized the intent and impact made by State Initiatives. Staff compared statistics of local service provided to children and adults to State-wide statistics.

After the presentation, Chair Cooper opened the public hearing at 4:20 p.m. Hearing no other comments from the public, the public hearing was closed at 4:21 p.m.

The Commission took action to accept First 5 California's 2014-2015 Annual Report.

Moved Hunt, Seconded Paredes-Walsborn. Unanimously approved.

2. Per Section 130100 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Stanislaus County Children and Families Commission is required to evaluate local programs funded with Proposition 10 funds. The Commission heard a presentation on the 2014-2015 Program Evaluation Report, prepared by Commission staff. The evaluation covers 21 Commission funded programs.

The presentation outlined the report and information provided as it pertains to the following result areas: (1) Improved Family Functioning, (2) Improved Child Development, (3) Improved Health, and (4) Improved Systems of Care.

The evaluation answered three questions:

- How much was done?
- How well was it done?
- Is anyone better off?

The report in its entirety can be viewed, downloaded, and printed from the Commission's website: <http://www.stanprop10.org>. The report contains information on each of the programs, and how program activities impacted goals and outcomes (as listed in the Commission's 2015-2017 Strategic Plan).

Staff noted that The BRIDGE will continue to require additional monitoring as the program's cost per participant remains high despite the program implementing changes to address this concern

The Commission took action to accept the 2014-2015 Program Evaluation Report.

Moved Skol, Seconded Schlaepfer. Unanimously approved.

C. Committee Reports - ***Approved on the consent calendar. Moved Skol, Seconded Walker. Unanimously approved. Commissioner Lee not present at time of vote.***

1. The Commission accepted the minutes for the Administrative Committee meeting held on March 7, 2016 – including the Monthly Financial Report as of February 29, 2016 and the Quarterly Financial Report for Quarter Ending December 31, 2015.
2. The Commission accepted the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on March 10, 2016.
3. The Commission accepted the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on March 16, 2016.

- D. The Commission heard a presentation from Coleen Garcia, Executive Director, and Brenda McDonald, Assistant Director, from Children’s Crisis Center. They gave an overview of services provided at the program’s four sites. They also shared a status update on the program’s proposed fifth site.

VII. Correspondence – **None**

VIII. Commissioner Reports

- 1. Commissioner Walker reported on his attendance at the Sacramento Regional First 5 Commissioners Summit along with a number of other Stanislaus Commissioners where John Sims served as event emcee. Commissioner Walker noted John represented the Commission well.

IX. Staff Reports

- 1. Stephanie Loomis provided an overview of the Early Care & Education Conference the Commission held, in partnership with SCOE, on February 20, 2016.

Based on survey results, the conference was well received. Of the 312 people registered, 276 attended (88% attendance) and 87% of those in attendance completed the conference survey.

The surveys confirmed that the keynote speaker, Regina Friedman, was relatable, upbeat, and inspiring. Most in attendance found out about the conference through their place of work or received the conference brochure by mail/e-mail. Attendees also suggested future topics for the conference, such as brain development, emotional intelligence, and positive guidance.

Costs for the conferences in August 2015 and February 2016 were \$8,126.59 for the Commission and \$7,700.05 for SCOE. This equals to a total cost of \$32.17 per participant (based on 492 participants) or a Commission only cost of \$16.52 per participant.

Commission staff will meet with SCOE staff to confirm the next topic for the August 28, 2016 Conference.

- 2. John Sims shared with the Commission that six bills related to tobacco sales/taxes are being reviewed by State staff prior to being sent to the Governor’s desk for approval. John indicated bill review can proceed quickly or may take an extended amount of time. Staff will share updates with the Commission as they become available.

X. The Commission meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.