



Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom

August 23, 2021

3:00pm-5:00pm

Call to Order: 3:03pm. The following were present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juan Cisneros	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elba Gonzalez-Mares	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michele Grupe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kecia Lind	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Ocon	<input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Palmer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debbie Peralez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brad Wagenknecht	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monica Koenig

Staff present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joelle Gallagher	<input type="checkbox"/> Lilea Heines
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily Darlington	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sarahi Suarez	

Also present:

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Public Comment

A. No public comment.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes, E. Gonzalez-Mares

June 28, 2021

A. (Motion 1st by MG, 2nd by JC).

JC	EG	MG	KL	JO	JP	DP	BW	MK
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Absent	Y	Y	Y

2. Contracts, E. Gonzalez-Mares

A. First 5 IMPACT Region 1 Training and Technical Assistance HUB MOUs: These contracts are specific to region 1 Hub which supports Quality Counts Program in 8 counties (as listed). Napa is Lead for the next 2 years and will assist managers of fiscal operations, support in data collection, promote consistency, partnerships, coordination, manage access to high-quality training & professional development, rating & assessments

- 1) Del Norte County Office of Education
- 2) Lake County Office of Education
- 3) Marin County Office of Education
- 4) Solano County Office of Education
- 5) First 5 Humboldt

- 6) Mendocino Office of Education
 7) First 5 Sonoma County

A. (Motion 1st by JC, 2nd by BW).

JC	EG	MG	KL	JO	JP	DP	BW	MK
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Absent	Y	Y	Y

- b) IPinwheel: Early Quality Systems (Hubbe) Professional Services Agreement for technical assistance, data quality assurance support, annual data reporting services, software license fee invoicing and ERS and CLASS usage invoicing on behalf of the counties representing IMPACT Region 1 T&TA Hub that participate in the First 5 California IMPACT Program and/or the California Department of Education Block Grant Programs, E. Gonzalez-Mares

2. Napa
3. Sonoma
4. Lake
5. Solano
6. Marin
7. Mendocino
8. Humboldt
9. Del Norte.

A. (Motion 1st by JC, 2nd by BW).

JC	EG	MG	KL	JO	JP	DP	BW	MK
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Absent	Y	Y	Y

- c) Review and approval of contract with With/In Collaborative for First 5 Napa Network Cohort 3 activities in the amount Of \$250,000. This contract will be to support First 5 Napa as the backbone to design and facilitate network reunion, lay groundwork for cohort 3, full network meeting on Oct 25th/26th, recruit leaders, design facilitate cohort 3 experience, and host 4-6 virtual trainings, E. Gonzalez-Mares

A. (Motion 1st by BW, 2nd by MG).

JC	EG	MG	KL	JO	JP	DP	BW	MK
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Absent	Y	Y	Y

- d) Review and approval of contract with Anne Sutkowi-Hemstreet for management and coordination of Community Programs, including Rainbow Kit and Rainbow Family League. Implementation and evaluation of programs and completion of evaluation reports required by State (funder) in the amount of \$60,000 FY 2021-2022, E. Gonzalez-Mares

A. (Motion 1st by MG, 2nd by KL).

JC	EG	MG	KL	JO	JP	DP	BW	MK
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Absent	Y	Y	Y

4. Staff Updates, J. Gallagher
 - A. First 5 Napa Network
 - B. Quality Counts, E. Darlington
 - a. 2021-2022 training and resources are funded by HUB, this includes Anti-Bias Training Series, Opportunity for Providers for Teaching Pyramid Family Engagement Module, Pilot for CPIN (CA preschool instructional Network). There are upcoming events such as Anti Bias Training, Rainbow Kit Rollout, Deeper Dive Opportunities for Trauma Response/Resilience Circles, Design Team for Trauma Responsive Practices.
5. Policy/Advocacy Updates and Discussion, J. Gallagher
 - A. American Rescue Act funding for families/children, M. Grupe.
 - a. Community Leaders Collision met with county supervisors and discussed insights from community based organizations regarding community needs. Request was made to supervisors to partner up to use the American rescue Plan funds. Discussed reimagining the childcare system to serve multiple purposes, housing, work opportunities and systematic change.
 - B. Other, J. Occon
 - a. Discussed the 100k available to provide support to help landlords and tenants with rent-relief. Napa has lowest rate of access to funds and there's a need to get the word out regarding these funds and aid with technological drawbacks .
6. Items for next commission meeting, E. Gonzalez-Mares
 - A. F5 Association Report for tax revenue
 - B. Program updates from Lilea, RFL & Rainbow Kits
7. Announcements, All
 - A. J. Gallagher, provided an update about the total slots available for childcare/early care throughout the county and per Juan Cisneros there are a total of 257 slots in Napa with 60 children that have been accepted/enrolled. Also, NCOE had a 60% enrollment across the county and Napa and American Canyon have a higher enrollment rate as opposed to Calistoga and St. Helena.
 - B. D. Perez- Expressed concern about the enrollment rate which is below 24%. They need to test if poverty rate is not aligned with Napa income threshold and outreach is in place to help increase enrollment.
 - C. J. Occon – Reports that the new state preschool in Calistoga is having the same issues in regards to enrollment. Wants to know if Napa County Health and Human Services can assist with sending out flyers to encourage enrollment among eligible income households.
 - D. J. Gallagher-Jennifer Palmer will be resigning from position with F5N Commission.

Adjourn 5:28pm.

Elba Gonzalez-Mares, Chair

ATTEST:

Sarahi Suarez

Commissioners Voting Key

KA = Kay Altizer; EG = Elba Gonzalez-Mares; MG = Michele Grupe;

LK = Laura Keller; KL = Kecia Lind; JO = Jennifer Ocon; JP = Jennifer Palmer;

DP = Debbie Peralez; BW = Brad Wagenknecht; MK= Monica Koenig

Notations under Vote: A = Abstained; C = Conflict; I = ineligible to vote (not sworn in)); Y= Vote in Approval; N= Vote Against; Absent = Commissioner Absent