



Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom

September 28, 2020

3:00pm-5:00pm

Call to Order: 3:05pm. The following were present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kay Altizer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elba Gonzalez-Mares	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michele Grupe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Keller	<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

Staff present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joelle Gallagher	<input type="checkbox"/> Anne Sutkowi-Hemstreet
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily Darlington	<input type="checkbox"/> Catherine Moon

Also present:

Tobias Weare	
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Public Comment

- A. Tobias Weare commented that there will be PPE distribution in Vallejo on Friday, October 2, 2020.

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

August 24, 2020 (Motion 1st by BW, 2nd by LK).

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2. First 5 Napa Network

A. Design Sprints, J. Gallagher/All

a. Anti-Racist Parenting

- i. Debbie reported that the team tested an anti-racist kit with parents and completed empathic interviews. The team has been meeting to talk about next steps and to look at another approach.
- ii. Brad also shared that the kits were a good first step but more is needed.

b. 0-3 Parent Mental Health

- i. Michele reported that the team completed empathic interviews and that there are two wellness cafes scheduled. The hope is that parents can develop relationships as they are raising children 0-3 during a pandemic. This is also an opportunity to share resources.
- ii. Elba shared the flyer for the wellness cafes via Zoom. She mentioned that more information is needed in order to determine what else these families might be looking for.

c. COVID-19 Testing

- i. Joelle reported that the network is starting a new design sprint for COVID-19 testing. Laura explained that there are new state metrics for counties to move to other tiers. Counties need to show improvement in some areas and more numbers and testing are needed.

B. Cohort 2 Updates, J. Gallagher

- a. Joelle reported that Cohort 2 is scheduled to have a 2-day training coming up.

C. Diversity and Inclusion Programming, A. Sutkowi-Hemstreet

a. Napa Strong Enough Campaign

- i. Lawn signs and postcards with commitments were created for the Napa Strong Enough Campaign and are being delivered to those who order. Business signs are being developed.

b. City of Napa Resolution

- i. Rainbow Action Network led the movement to have the Napa City Council approve a resolution declaring that racism is a public health crisis. The resolution was passed.

4. Office Space Update, J. Gallagher

A. Move to 1303 Jefferson

- a. Joelle reported that First 5 offices have moved from 1040 Main Street to 1303 Jefferson Street.

5. Quality Counts, E. Darlington

A. Review and approval of rollover funds for the 10% remainder of CRC CDE QRIS Block Grant contract from FY 19-20 to FY 20-21.

- a. (Motion 1st by DP, 2nd by BW).

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6. Childcare Collaborations, F5 Staff/Comm.
 - A. COAD Childcare Committee, JG/ED
 - a. Joelle reported that additional supplies are coming from First 5 CA. They are working directly with CRC on that delivery.
 - b. Joelle also reported that CRC is applying for CARES Act funds from the County.
 - B. St. Joseph's Community Partnership Fund's Community Recovery and Resilience Initiative, M. Grupe
 - a. Michele reported that Cope Family Center applied for a grant from St. Joseph's Community Partnership Fund. COAD also applied. More details to come after a site visit next week which will include details about what can be applied for.

7. Policy/Advocacy Updates and Discussion, E. Gonzalez-Mares
 - A. Housing Forum, JG
 - a. Joelle reported that NHC forum was on Thursday with Mayoral and City Council candidates present. 90 plus people attended the Zoom call where the community got to hear directly from candidates about their positions regarding housing.
 - b. Joelle also mentioned that the Diversity Equity and Inclusion forum will take place on Thursday.
 - B. MCAH Grant, F5 Support, JG
 - a. Joelle reported that First 5 sent a letter of support for the MCAH grant.
 - C. Census 2020, J. Ocon
 - a. Jenny reported the census can continue through 10/31. Additional social media posts and caravans will be part of the last push. Napa County has surpassed its 2010 completion numbers already.
 - D. CLC Open and Transparent Government, M. Grupe
 - a. Michele reported that the group is working on their workplan for the next year including building relationships with other collaboratives and putting together recommendations to the legislative subcommittee. Michele mentioned she can work with Joelle on including First 5 priorities.
 - E. CLC Strengthening Immigrant Families, E. Gonzalez-Mares
 - a. Elba reported that she and Joelle co-chair this group together. The group is talking about what they can help support in the future.
 - F. Other
 - a. Joelle mentioned some of the Nixle alerts that have come through lately for fire related evacuation warnings and orders are using the term property owner. She mentioned it might be helpful to use resident instead as not all people in Napa County are property owners. Michele said she can submit that feedback.

8. Items for October 26, 2020 Meeting
 - A. Staff Compensation
 - B. Annual Report approval
 - C. Audit acceptance

D. 1st quarter financials

9. Announcements

- A. Joelle announced that she sent information on the CLC Director position to the Commission and asked them to share.
- B. Debbie announced that Child Start applied for funds to expand their partnership program and that First 5 submitted a letter of support.
- C. Emily announced that she and Anne presented at the Solano ECE Conference on 9/19. They presented the Rainbow Kits and strategies for making ECE programs more LGBTQ and gender inclusive. The presentation was very well received and there has been great feedback so far. There are plans to share the presentation with the Commission at a later meeting.

Adjourn 4:00pm.

Elba Gonzalez-Mares, Chair

ATTEST:

Emily Darlington

Commissioners Voting Key

KA = Kay Altizer; EG = Elba Gonzalez-Mares; MG = Michele Grupe;
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DP = Debbie Peralez; BW = Brad Wagenknecht

Notations under Vote: N = No; X = Excused; A = Abstained; C = Conflict; I = ineligible to vote (not sworn in)