



Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom

July 27, 2020

3:00pm-5:00pm

Call to Order: 3:04pm. The following were present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kay Altizer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elba Gonzalez-Mares	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michele Grupe
<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anne Sutkowi-Hemstreet
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily Darlington	<input type="checkbox"/> Catherine Moon

Also present:

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Public Comment

- A. No public comment.

Presentation: The State of Early Childhood, Debbie Peralez and Erika Lubensky

- Erika and Debbie gave an overview of the state of early childhood in Napa County. Presentation slides will be shared with the Commission.

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

June 22, 2020 (Motion 1st by BW, 2nd by JO).

KA	EG	MG	LK	KL	JO	JP	DP	BW
			X			X		

2. Sponsorship Grant Request, J. Gallagher

- A. Review and possible approval of Sponsorship Grant Request from UpValley Family Centers in the amount of \$1,000 for care packages, meals and backpacks.

1. Joelle reviewed the request with the Commission. Executive Committee recommends approval.
2. (Motion 1st by BW, 2nd by EG). Jenny Ocon has a conflict and abstains from the vote.

KA	EG	MG	LK	KL	JO	JP	DP	BW
			X		C	X		

3. First 5 Statewide: Vape Tax, J. Gallagher

- A. Discussion and possible action to request BOS submit letter of support for First 5 to receive fair share of new State tax on vaping products.
 1. Joelle reported that she was just on a statewide call regarding the proposed new tax on vaping products. There is advocacy happening for First 5s to be able to receive a portion of this new tax.
 2. Joelle will have a draft letter from the First 5 Association – plan to advocate through the legislative subcommittee and the Commission will also send a letter.
- B. (Motion 1st by MG, 2nd by JO).

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4. First 5 Napa Network

- A. Pandemic Design Sprint/Cohort 2, J. Gallagher
 1. Joelle reported that design teams are launching for 10 weeks: Parents/Family Mental Health led by Mentis/Jeni Olsen and Race with Children 0-5 led by Anne.
- B. Rainbow Action Network – Candidate Forum, A. Sutkowi-Hemstreet
 1. Anne reported that RAN met last week. Lots going on including assembling Rainbow Kits for Quality Counts sites, virtual Rainbow gatherings, and a candidate forum in mid/late September regarding racial/social justice issues. Anne is also meeting with elected officials to establish Human Rights Commission in Napa.
 2. Joelle also noted that there will be a candidate forum regarding housing in September.

5. Parent Survey Results (Updated), A. Sutkowi-Hemstreet/J. Gallagher

- A. The parent survey results infographic was shared with the Commission and a press release will go out as well. Joelle would like to have 5 minutes to share the results with the BOS. Elba and Joelle will also be available to make presentations to other groups.

6. First 5 Ordinance Update Status, J. Gallagher
 - A. Joelle reported that the Commission just needs to send a letter to the County stating that the Commission would like to be a recommending body (meaning the Commission would like to recommend applicants when there are applications received for potential Commissioners).

7. Quality Counts, E. Darlington
 - A. No report.

8. F5 COAD Support, F5 Staff
 - A. Childcare Committee
 1. No report.
 - B. Mental Health Committee
 1. No report.

9. Policy/Advocacy Updates and Discussion, E. Gonzalez-Mares
 - A. Housing: Tenant Protections, J. Gallagher
 1. Joelle reported that an extension for tenant protections will go to BOS tomorrow – confident it will happen.
 - B. Census 2020, J. Ocon
 1. Jenny reported this week is a week of action. 5 caravans are driving throughout the County to remind about the Census. 18,000 text messages have gone out. There will also be a big social media push.
 - C. County Budget/Open and Transparent Government, M. Grupe
 1. Michele reported that the CLC is checking in with the County regarding the CARES Act funds and how the funds will be allocated.
 - D. Other
 1. Elba reported that Joelle is involved in the Strengthening Immigrant Families Committee. Priorities being anti-racism, racism as a public health issue and F5NN connections. Also Public Charge and COVID. We will add this committee to future agendas.

10. Items for August 24, 2020 Meeting
 - A. Policy/Advocacy Updates

11. Announcements
 - A. Emily announced that First 5 Napa submitted and has been awarded the Home Visitation Coordination grant from First 5 CA. Work on this grant will begin in September.

- B. Emily also announced that she and Anne will be presenting at the (virtual) Solano ECE Conference on the Rainbow Kits.

Adjourn 4:43pm.

Elba Gonzalez-Mares, Chair

ATTEST:

Emily Darlington

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

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