

FIRST 5 COMMISSION OF SAN DIEGO
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Commissioners Present:

Pam Slater-Price, Chairwoman
Nick Macchione
Sandra McBrayer, Secretary
Dr. Wilma Wooten

Staff Present:

Barbara Jiménez, Executive Director
Lynn Eldred, Program & Evaluation Manager
Grace Young, Contracts and School Readiness Program Manager
Martin Cherry, Operations Manager
David Smith, Sr. Deputy County Counsel
Jill Monroe, Policy Advisor

Members Excused:

Carol Skiljan

Minutes for April 4, 2011

Call to order and Introductions

Chairwoman Slater-Price called the meeting of the First 5 Commission of San Diego to order at 2:03 p.m.

Approval of the Commission Meeting Minutes - February 7, 2011

ON MOTION OF Commissioner Macchione, seconded by Commissioner McBrayer, the Commission approved the minutes of February 7, 2011.

AYES: Slater-Price, Macchione, McBrayer, Wooten
ABSENT: Skiljan
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

Opportunity of Public Comments

No public comments received.

Commissioner Recusal Reminder

Chairwoman Slater-Price reminded the Commissioners to recuse themselves from voting on any agenda item that has a real or perceived conflict of interest.

Consent Calendar

ON MOTION OF Commissioner Macchione, seconded by Commissioner McBrayer, the Commission approved formation of the consent calendar with item #4 approved on consent.

1. Acceptance of the FY 2009-10 First 5 California Annual Report

ON MOTION OF Commissioner Wooten, Seconded by Commissioner Macchione, the Commission:

- 1) Opened Public Hearing.
- 2) Received no public comment.
- 3) Accepted the Annual Report of First 5 California for Fiscal Year 2009 – 10.
- 4) Authorized the Executive Director to submit public comment, if any, to the State Commission.
- 5) Closed Public Hearing.

AYES: Slater-Price, Macchione, McBrayer, Wooten
ABSENT: Skiljan
ABSTAIN: None

NOES: None

2. The impacts of AB 99 on Commission Funding

Executive Director Jiménez informed the Commission that in late February, the First 5 Association offered the State Department of Finance and the Governor's Office a voluntary contribution of \$500 million. The funds would be aggregated from contributions by a number of willing commissions with careful language to avoid the non-supplantation provision of Prop 10. That offer was rejected by the administration which insisted on the \$1 billion. On March 3, 2011 the Budget Conference Committee agreed to sweep \$1 billion from First 5 commissions through a two thirds vote of the Legislature, rather than through a ballot initiative. On March 16, 2011, both houses of the California Legislature approved AB 99. The Bill was signed by the Governor on March 24, 2011.

Executive Director Jiménez noted that AB 99 requires the State First 5 Commission to remit \$50 million, and the combined county commissions to remit \$950 million to the State Treasury by June 30, 2012. Commissions that receive less than \$600,000 per year in Prop 10 revenue are exempt from this requirement. The redirected funds are to be use for Medi-Cal services for children under age five. It is anticipated that First 5 San Diego will be required to send \$88,374,588.

There are some discussions of lawsuits. First 5 Commissions are studying the legality of AB 99 which the legislators approved by two thirds vote. A ballot measure and a vote of the people is something that is required to make a substantial change to the Children and Families First Act that created Prop 10.

Gary Rotto, from the Council of Community Clinics, encouraged the Commission to consider a position of opposition in regards to SB 486.

Executive Director Jiménez reported that she would cover SB486 more in-depth in agenda item #8.

ON MOTION OF Commissioner Macchione, seconded by Commissioner Wooten, the Commission:

- 1) Directed the Executive Director to return at the May Commission meeting and provide a framework with options that show the impact on current and future funding.**

AYES: Slater-Price, Macchione, McBrayer, Wooten
ABSENT: Skiljan
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

3. CARES Plus- Release of Solicitation

Executive Director Jiménez requested authorization to sign the agreement with First 5 California and release the RFP. This would enable the Commission to meet the timelines of First 5 California and provide CARES Plus services by July 1, 2011.

Executive Director Jiménez reported that there have been many challenges with regards to AB 99 and the fact that First 5 California would be required to send \$50 million. In addition, First 5 California has delayed posting the CARES Plus Notice of Award that was due to all Counties by February 15, 2011, and then revised to March 15, 2011, and has still not yet been received as of today.

The action before the Commission is to get the approval to proceed once we receive the notification. She noted that if future funding decisions determine that these services should not be funded, the procurement can be cancelled at any time.

The Commission raised their concerns and decided to table the CARES Plus program and not go forward with it at this time.

ON MOTION OF Commissioner McBrayer, seconded by Macchione, the Commission opted to table the CARES Plus program at this time.

AYES: Slater-Price, Macchione, McBrayer, Wooten
ABSENT: Skiljan
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

4. FY 2010 - 11 Budget Adjustment

ON MOTION OF Commissioner Macchione, seconded by Commissioner McBrayer, during the formation of the consent calendar the Commission:

- 1) Approved a budget adjustment to move \$20,000 from account 52530 Rent / Lease for Structures to account 52370 Special Expenses, for Community Events and Sponsorships.**

AYES: Slater-Price, Macchione, McBrayer, Wooten
ABSENT: Skiljan
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

5. 2nd Quarter Dashboard Report

Executive Director Jiménez gave an update on the 2nd Quarter Dashboard report of FY 2010-11. The dashboard is a tool that provides the Commission with more frequent updates on the performance of the First 5 San Diego Projects. Core measures were selected that support the nine objectives of the Strategic Plan, as well as performance measures reported quarterly to HHSA. The goal is to have full transparency and accountability.

As requested by the Commission, figures and data for the actual performance to date are included. There is a new symbol for startup projects and services. Performance measures for KidSTART (clinic and center) were added as this quarter to this project initiated services in Quarter 2.

The Commissioners praised staff for closely monitoring the projects that are facing challenges. Commissioner McBrayer recommended adding a glossary or appendix to the dashboard to define the acronyms used in the report.

Executive Director Jiménez reported that she has implemented a new policy which prevents contractors from rolling over dollars from one year to the next, except under special circumstances which would require her approval.

6. TPAC Report

Executive Director Jiménez reported that TPAC received information about the development process and the current status of Fostering Safe Communities as part of the Safety Strategy Agenda as it relates to "Live well San Diego" *Building Better Health* and the future plan to promote self sufficiency. TPAC received a one page overview and a link to a survey for advisory board members to provide input. In addition, Leslie Clark from Harder+Company presented an overview of the 2009-10 Evaluation Report.

TPAC was also provided with an overview of First 5 San Diego's investment in quality preschool. The presentation included background, key components of the Preschool for All Demonstration Project, and activities that have been initiated in the development of the Commission's future quality preschool

initiative. The purpose of the overview was to provide TPAC with a foundation so TPAC can provide feedback and recommendations on the program components for the quality preschool initiative.

TPAC requested to have their meetings in the morning. Their first morning meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2011.

7. Finance Committee Report including the First Review of the FY 2011-12 Budget

Fred Baranowski, Finance Committee Chair, gave an update on the Commission's financial status and activities of the Finance Committee.

Staff member Naomi Chavez gave a presentation on the FY 2011-12 budget.

8. Executive Director Monthly Report

Executive Director Jiménez reported that Senator Robert Dutton has introduced SB 486. This bill is identical to SB 1109 (Cox) from last year and contains the following provisions:

- Eliminates funding to all First 5 commissions (state and county) and requires Prop 10 tobacco tax revenues to go to the State's General Fund for the Healthy Families and Medi-Cal programs.
- Abolishes the state and county First 5 Commissions 90 days after enactment.
- Requires unencumbered funds from county commissions to be divided between the county offices of education for transfer to school districts within the county, and the county treasurer, to be divided between the county and cities in the county.
- Directs the bill to be submitted to the voters as a ballot initiative.

SB 486 is scheduled to be heard by the Senate Health Committee on April 13, 2011.

Chairwoman Slater-Price asked Commission staff to submit a letter of opposition on her behalf.

Executive Director Jiménez reported that letters were sent to the remaining five non-optimally fluoridating water districts on March 14, 2011 to inquire about their interest in fluoridation. She mentioned that Oceanside water district has decline the offer; Sweetwater indicated that the request will be reviewed by their Governing Board on April 24, 2011; San Dieguito/Santa Fe also will be bringing the request before their Governing Board; Olivenhain would like to be considered for funding; and Poway has not responded to the request.

Executive Director Jiménez gave an update on the Stage 3 Childcare Services. She indicated that the Commission approved a two months, no cost contract extension for the YMCA CRS and Child Development Associates for February and March 2011. The Commission received invoices and approved payments for January 2011 for a total of \$391,000 for both providers. The Commission received confirmations from both providers that they received their January check from the State and they will be reimbursing the First 5 Commission of San Diego for all monies received. The money will go back to the Emergency Critical Needs fund.

Executive Director Jiménez reported that she will be attending the First 5 California and the First 5 Association meetings later this month. She stated that they would be discussing the state budget, legislative issues, and next steps to plan for program reductions.

Commissioner Macchione informed the Commission that Barbara Jiménez was just promoted with the Health and Human Services Agency as the Deputy Director of the North Coastal, North Inland region. He noted that he will be leading the personnel committee with Commissioner McBrayer on the recruitment and selection of her replacement.

The Commission congratulated Barbara on her new position.

Commissioner McBrayer informed the Commission that Charlene Tressler passed away. Charlene served on the TPAC 3 years ago. Commissioner McBrayer acknowledged Charlene for her work with the Commission and her dedication to the children and families in San Diego County. Charlene was a shining star and it is a great loss to the community in San Diego.

Chairwoman Slater-Price will be approaching the Board of Supervisors to ask them to do an adjournment for Charlene Tressler.

9. Future Agenda Items

- Approval of the FY 2011-12 Operating Budget
- Framework with options regarding the \$88.3 million cut.

10. Adjournment

Chairwoman Slater-Price adjourned the meeting of the First 5 Commission at 2:51 p.m. to reconvene on May 9, 2011.

Respectfully submitted for your review and approval:

Sandra McBrayer

Date

Notes by: Rosa Lemus