

FIRST 5 COMMISSION OF SAN DIEGO
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Commissioners Present at San Diego

Location:

Pam Slater-Price, Chairwoman
Carol Skiljan
Dr. Wilma Wooten

Commissioners Present at Oakland

Teleconference Location:

Sandra McBrayer, Secretary

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
Nadia Moshirian, Policy Advisor

Members Excused:

Nick Macchione

Minutes for September 12, 2011
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Call to order and Introductions

Chairwoman Slater-Price called the meeting of the First 5 Commission of San Diego to order at 3:00 p.m.

Approval of the Commission Meeting Minutes - June 13, 2011

ON MOTION OF Commissioner McBrayer, seconded by Commissioner Wooten, the Commission approved the minutes of June 13, 2011.

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

Opportunity for 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.

Commissioner Wooten recused herself on any discussion and action on item #2.

Consent Calendar

ON MOTION OF Commissioner Skiljan, seconded by Commissioner Wooten, the Commission approved formation of the consent calendar with item # 1 approved on consent.

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

1. Contract Amendment: HHS A Alcohol and Drug Services (ADS)

ON MOTION OF Commissioner Skiljan, seconded by Commissioner Wooten, during the formation of the consent calendar, the Commission:

- 1) Found that the proposed contract amendment for the Healthy Development Services is consistent with the Commission's Strategic Plan, furthers the support and improvement of early childhood development within the County, and provides a public benefit.**
- 2) Authorized the First 5 Executive Director, or her designee, to amend the Family Health Centers, Central Region, Healthy Development Services Contract to provide developmental services at additional ADS women's treatment program locations.**

AYES: Slater-Price, Skiljan, McBrayer, Wooten

ABSENT: Macchione

ABSTAIN: None

NOES: None

2. Allocation of FY 2010-11 Unexpended Funds

Commissioner Wooten recused herself on any discussion and action on this item.

Executive Director Jiménez recommended adjusting the recommendation for the Child Obesity Initiative to only fund the extension of this contract to the end of the current fiscal year with a full discussion of future funding to be held when more information is known regarding AB99, and all the Commissioners are present. Specifically she recommended the following adjustments:

- Change recommendation #2 for the Childhood Obesity Initiative to request only \$32,500 and not the original request of \$422,500.
- Change recommendation #4 to extend the contract with HHS A-Public Health for the Childhood Obesity Initiative for only 3 months until June 30, 2012 for \$32,500.
- Change recommendation #5 to \$5,451,602 which will be reserved in the Sustainability Fund for Targeted At-Risk Home Visiting or other high priority projects.
- Change the Fiscal Impact section to reflect that the FY 2011-12 Operating Budget will increase by \$186,715.

ON MOTION OF Commissioner McBrayer, seconded by Commissioner Skiljan, the Commission:

- 1) Found that the proposed contract amendments are consistent with the Commission's Strategic Plan, furthers the support and improvement of early childhood education within the County and provides a public benefit.**
- 2) Allocated \$154,215 for the Mi Escuelita contract, and \$32,500 for the Childhood Obesity Initiative from the unexpended funds from FY 2010-11 as an increase to the FY 2011-12 budget.**
- 3) Authorized the Executive Director or her designee to negotiate and execute an amendment with South Bay Community Services – Mi Escuelita for up to six months, through June 30, 2012, for up to \$154,215.**
- 4) Authorized the Executive Director or her designee to negotiate and execute an amendment with County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency – Public Health Services for up to three months, until June 30, 2012 as a project length budget for up to \$32,500 for the Childhood Obesity Initiative.**
- 5) Approved the amount of unexpended funds from FY 2010-11 reserved in the Sustainability Fund for Targeted At-Risk Home Visiting or other high-priority projects to be \$5,451,602**

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

3. First 5 San Diego Preschool for All (PFA)

Executive Director Jiménez informed the Commission that in June 2005, the Commission approved \$30 million dollars for the PFA demonstration project. This project was implemented in the fall of 2006. She noted that a copy of the *First 5 San Diego Preschool for All Demonstration Project: Five Year Summative Report* was given to the Commissioner's in their packets. The report was developed by Harder+Company and covers the period from FY 2006-07 to FY 2010-11.

Staff member Grace Young presented a summary of the *First 5 San Diego Preschool for All (PFA) Demonstration Project: Five-Year Summative Report*. The presentation highlighted the accomplishments, challenges, and the next steps for quality preschool services to be provided under the new First 5 San Diego "Quality Preschool Initiative" that will begin in FY 2012-13.

Commissioner Skiljan thanked Commission staff for the report. She stated that the report really captures what the Commission is doing related to early learning.

Public Comment

Anamarie Martinez from Palomar Pomerado Health addressed the Commission regarding the need for At-Risk Home Visiting Services.

4. Executive Director Monthly Report

Executive Director Jiménez reported the following:

AB99

The Fresno Superior Court heard several oral arguments on August 30, 2011 regarding the legality of AB99 in response to the lawsuit filed by twelve First 5 county Commissions against Governor Jerry Brown. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Judge did not issue a ruling, and stated that a decision may not be made for 60-90 days.

AB99 has effectively tied up \$89 million in First 5 San Diego funds causing the Commission, at their May meeting, to make drastic budget cuts for FY 2011-12 and beyond eliminating funding for many local programs.

Fluoridation

The Commission's contractor, the California Dental Association (CDA), has met with staff from Olivenhain water district and board members from the Sweetwater Authority water district. Olivenhain staff estimates that their capital expense significantly exceeds the Commission's estimate due to the need for a new building to be designed and constructed. Sweetwater estimates are in alignment with Commission estimates. CDA is contracted to complete pre-negotiations with Olivenhain by October 31, 2011 and with the Sweetwater Authority by November 30, 2011.

Dashboard

The dashboard for last quarter of fiscal year 2010-11 shows that there were 17 performance measures tracked through this past year. There were 4 of the 17 that were underperforming earlier in the year, but improved to "green" over the course of this year. Of the 17 performance measures, all except 2 scored in the green category for the 4th Quarter. The 2 underperforming measures were Black Infant Health and Healthcare Access. First 5 staff is working with these programs on mitigation plans and examining targets to make sure they are set at appropriate levels. Both measures concern low-income pregnant women. Staff is also seeking local trend data related to these measures.

The dashboard for FY 2011-12 will retain most of its core elements with only minor changes to clarify the measures. Results that significantly exceeded the targets in FY 2010-11 were increased for FY 2011-12.

Rhonda Freeman from the Health and Human Services Agency was present and informed the Commissioners of some of the challenges the Black Infant Health program has faced in the last year. Ms Freeman also answered questions from the Commissioners.

Public comments

Annamarie Martinez from Palomar Pomerado Health asked the Commission to consider the accountability of the projects. She stated that it is critical that the Commission does not duplicate services.

The Commission received a written status report of Commission activities.

5. Future Agenda Items

- Approval of the Annual CPA Audit
- Approval of the State Annual Report

6. Adjournment

Chairwoman Slater-Price adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m. noting that the next Commission meeting is on October 10, 2011, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm in the same room.

Respectfully submitted for your review and approval:

Sandra McBrayer

Date

Notes by: Rosa Lemus