Minutes for January 16, 2020

Call to Order
Chairwoman Jacob called the meeting of the First 5 Commission of San Diego to order at 2:03 pm.

Approval of the Commission Meeting Minutes from November 14, 2019
ON MOTION OF Commissioner Macchione, seconded by Commissioner McBrayer, the Commission approved the Minutes of November 14, 2019.

AYES: Jacob, Wooten, Macchione, McBrayer
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

Opportunity for Public Comments
There were no public comments.

Commissioner Recusal Reminder
Chairwoman Jacob reminded all Commissioners to recuse themselves from voting on any agenda item that has a real or perceived conflict of interest.

Consent Calendar
No items were approved on consent.

1. Annual Appointments of Commission Officers
ON MOTION OF Commissioner Macchione, seconded by Chairwoman Jacob, the Commission:
1) Approved Chairwoman Jacob’s nomination of Commissioner McBrayer to serve as the Vice-Chairwoman of the Commission for the 2020 calendar year.
2) Approved Chairwoman Jacob’s nomination of Commissioner Wooten to serve as the Secretary of the Commission for the 2020 calendar year.

AYES: Jacob, Wooten, McBrayer, Macchione
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

2. Sole-Source Contract with the San Diego County Office of Education
ON MOTION OF Commissioner Macchione, seconded by Commissioner McBrayer, the Commission:
1) Found that the proposed First 5 San Diego Learn Well Initiative is consistent with the Commission’s Strategic Plan, furthers the support and improvement of early childhood development within the County and provide a public benefit.
2) Authorized the Executive Director, or her designee, to award a sole-source contract with San Diego County of Education for the Learn Well Initiative for up to $60 million over five years (up to $8 million annually) (FYs 20/21 through 24/25).

AYES: Jacob, Wooten, Macchione, McBrayer
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
NOES: None

- A Successful Approach to Connecting Early Childhood and Elementary School Data
  - Lucia Garay and Juan Carlos Torres of the San Diego County Office of Education provided a presentation on efforts to bridge the early care and education data system (QPI data) within the K-12 system.
  - The report was made possible through the support from the San Diego Foundation.
  - This report is part of a greater longitudinal study of participation in Quality Preschool Initiative over the years, dating back to 2012.

- Finance Committee Report
  - Fred Baranowski, Finance Committee Chairman, reported on the Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2019 as well as the 2nd Quarter Budget Projection for FY 2019 – 20.
  - Chair Baranowski also noted one-time expenditures due to new administrative headquarters.

- Executive Director Report
  Executive Director Arguilez reported the following:
  - Update on recent move to temporary office space and plans for the permanent space build-out.
  - First 5 Staff will be attending the biennial First 5 California Summit in Irvine in early February as part of ongoing professional development.
  - YMCA Childcare Resource Services was awarded a 5-year Federal grant called Partners in Prevention. This effort will focus on providers serving children birth to 5 years. The project will support families, caregivers, and early care and education providers of children, ages 0-5, by streamlining access to resources and increasing protective factors to prevent maltreatment.
  - In partnership with the Office of Child Abuse and Prevention, First 5 San Diego is looking at the impact of preschool expulsion and its effects on the region’s families.
  - Executive Director Arguilez has been named the March of Dimes’ Fundraising Chair for the 2020 March for Babies in April.
  - Special recognition was given to First 5 team members:
    o Tess Perez for 25 years of service.
    o Harold Randolph will be retiring on March 26, 2020 with over 19 years of service to the County and First 5 Commission.

- Future Agenda Items
  - Budget approval for FY 2020 – 21.
  - Strategic Plan 2020 – 2025 annual review.

Chairwoman Jacob adjourned the meeting at 2:49 p.m. to reconvene April 16, 2020.

Respectfully submitted for your review and approval:

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Dr. Wilma Wooten        Date

(Notes by: Executive Secretary Karen Hays)