

FIRST 5 COMMISSION OF SAN DIEGO  
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## FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 16, 2023

### Members Present:

Ricardo Macedo, Chair  
Ardee Apostol, Vice-Chair  
Tracy Drager  
Fred Baranowski (via telecommute)

### Staff Present:

Alethea Arguilez, Executive Director  
Martin Cherry, Operations Manager  
Marci Reyes, Fiscal Manager  
Karen Hays, Executive Secretary

### Members Absent:

Cameron Urquhart

### Alternate Member(s) Present:

Kevin Foley (as voting member for TTC)

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Macedo called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 8:59am.

#### 2. Opportunity for Public Comments

There were no public comments received.

#### 3. Recusal Reminder

Chair Macedo reminded the Finance Committee Members to recuse themselves from voting on any agenda items that have a real or perceived conflict of interest.

#### 4. Approval of Finance Committee Meeting Minutes from January 19, 2023.

ON MOTION OF Member Drager, seconded by Vice-Chair Apostol, the Committee approved the minutes for the January 19, 2023 meeting.

**AYES:** Macedo, Apostol, Drager, Baranowski, Foley

**ABSENT:** Urquhart

**ABSTAIN:** None

**NOES:** None

#### 5. Commission Financials – February 28, 2023

Marci Reyes, Fiscal Manager, reviewed and led a discussion of the Commission financials for the period ending February 28, 2023.

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**ON MOTION OF Vice-Chair Apostol, seconded by Member Drager, the Committee approved the Commission Financials for the period ending February 28, 2023.**

**AYES: Macedo, Apostol, Drager, Baranowski, Foley**  
**ABSENT: Urquhart**  
**ABSTAIN: None**  
**NOES: None**

### 6. Proposed Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budgets and Financial Spending Plan

Marci Reyes, Fiscal Manager, reviewed the Commission's fiscal year 2023-24 Operating Budget, Sustainability Fund Budget, and updated Financial Spending Plan.

**ON MOTION OF Member Baranowski, seconded by Member Drager, the Committee approved the Commission Financials for the period ending February 28, 2023.**

**AYES: Macedo, Apostol, Drager, Baranowski, Foley**  
**ABSENT: Urquhart**  
**ABSTAIN: None**  
**NOES: None**

### 7. Executive Director Report

Executive Director Arguilez updated the Committee on issues affecting the Commission including:

- We will be entering a new funding cycle for 2025-2030 and this will require feedback from the Commission and the Ad Hoc Committee for Strategic Planning.
- Continued Spend down of the fund balance is happening and due to anticipated decrease in revenue in the future, the Commission will focus on how and what it can fund.
- \$3M overall increase in funding HDS is to address the impacts on providers (inflation; increase in the number of referrals) and the system of care.
- Finance Committee member are invited to join the AdHoc Strategic Planning committee.
- Statewide advocacy efforts are continuing. ED Arguilez is the policy chair for First 5 Association and is looking at State and Federal solutions to our work.
- ED Arguilez has been working with HHSA to understand the new approaches around enhanced care management and community supports that are being paid for through Medi-Cal managed care plans.
- The partnership with the new Child and Family Wellbeing Department will include prevention and preservation funds through the FFPSA.
- Finance Committee member were encouraged to attend the Commission meeting in April.

### 8. Future Agenda Items

- Third quarter budget projection for FY 2022-23.

### 9. Adjournment

Chair Macedo adjourned the meeting at 9:30am to reconvene on April 21, 2023.

Notes by Karen Hays