

FIRST 5 KERN
KERN COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 6, 2011
Kern County Superintendent of Schools
1300 17th Street, Board Room 1A
Bakersfield, California

Minutes

COMMISSION CONVENED @ 2:07 P.M.

Present: Commissioners Audelo, Champness, Goh, Maier, Puckett, Waterman
Absent: Commissioners Cheadle and Jonah

Note: Ao, Cs, Ce, Gh, Jh, Mr, Pt, and Wm are abbreviations for Commissioners Audelo, Champness, Cheadle, Goh, Jonah, Maier, Puckett, and Waterman respectively. Alternate Commissioners are also similarly denoted. For example “Ao-Gh” denotes Commissioner Audelo made the motion and Commissioner Goh seconded it. The abbreviation “AB” means absent and “ABD” abstained. “All ayes” means that all Commissioners present voted affirmatively. “NO” indicates a negative vote by the indicated Commissioner(s).

COMMISSION ACTION SHOWN IN CAPITAL LETTERS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 1) None were heard.
- 2) None were heard.
- 3) Executive Director’s Report – Jamie M. Henderson
 - Reported that AB99 was signed which will sweep \$11.7 million from First 5 Kern due June 30, 2012.
 - Reported on the bill authored by Senator Dutton, SB 486 which seeks to abolish First 5 Kern and the other 57 county First 5 Commissions. The State Senate Health Committee will hear and take a vote on SB 486, April 13, 2011. Mr. Henderson reported that he contacted Senator Rubio’s office and expressed his concerns regarding SB486 and was told by the Senator’s staff member that it did not appear his office could support SB 486.
 - Reported that the Budget and Finance Committee will meet next week to look at options after the State’s \$11.7 million sweep against First 5 Kern.
 - Reported that staff has begun the Administrative Site visits.
 - Reported that he has briefed all members of the Board of Supervisor’s regarding AB 99 and future action that First 5 Kern may take.
 - Reported that CS&O will extend its evaluation agreement with First 5 Kern for an additional 3 months.



- Staff and the CS&O Evaluation team have designed a web page, geared toward our Nurturing Parenting contractors to assist with support materials. Mr. Henderson asked for those that are interested, go to www.first5kern.org, click on Contractor Information and then Nurturing Parenting.

ACTION ITEMS

- Mr – Wm
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 4) Minutes of the Children and Families Commission meeting of March 16, 2011 - APPROVED
- Mr – Cs
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 5) Release of Invitation to Bid for Data Management Services – AUTHORIZED STAFF TO RELEASE THE INVITATION TO BID FOR DATA MANAGEMENT SERVICES; AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CONTINUE WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS INVITATION
- Cs - Gh
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 6) Strategic Plan 2011-2012 – CONDUCTED A PUBLIC HEARING; NO COMMENT OR TESTIMONY WAS HEARD; CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING; DIRECTED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO DISTRIBUTE THE STRATEGIC PLAN; RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm - Cs
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 7) Discussion of the Legislature’s approval to take First 5 Funding and proposed judicial action to prevent its implementation - SUPPORT FIRST 5 FRESNO’S LAWSUIT; DIRECTED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXPLORE THE PRACTICABILITY OF JOINING FIRST 5 FRESNO’S LAWSUIT; AND EXPLORE FIRST 5 KERN FILING INDEPENDENTLY.
- Mr – Cs
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 8) Evaluation Redesign – APPROVED THE REDESIGN OF THE EVALUATION STRUCTURE; AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE CHANGES.
- Wm - Cs
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 9) Addition of Evaluation Positions - APPROVED THE SENIOR RESEARCH ANALYST (ANNUAL SALARY RANGE \$60,120 TO \$79,825), RESEARCH ANALYST (ANNUAL SALARY RANGE \$53,004 TO \$70,376), RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (ANNUAL SALARY RANGE \$45,279 TO \$60,120) AND RESEARCH ASSISTANT (ANNUAL SALARY RANGE \$35,888 TO \$47,650); AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PERFORM NECESSARY RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION ACTIVITIES.

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

- Mr – Wm
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 10) Monthly Financial Report for February 2011 – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Mr – Wm
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 11) Report on Expenditure under the Policy on Support of Community Activities and Events (The Rotary Club of Taft Foundation) – RECEIVED AND FILED

- Mr – Wm
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 12) Report on Expenditure under the Policy on Support of Community Activities and Events (Early Childhood Council of Kern) – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Mr – Wm
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 13) Report on Expenditure under the Policy on Support of Community Activities and Events (Eastern Sierra Association for the Education of Young Children) – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Mr – Wm
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 14) Letter from Megan Gretona, Teacher, Special Start, dated March 14, 2011, re: Appreciation – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Mr – Wm
Ce, Jh – AB
All Ayes
- 15) Professional Services Agreement between Mark R. Thibault, an Independent Consultant and Kern County Children and Families Commission – RECEIVED AND FILED

ADJOURNMENT

- 16) Adjourned to Wednesday, May 4, 2011, 2:00 p.m., Kern County Superintendent of Schools Facility, Bakersfield.