

FIRST 5 KERN
KERN COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION

Wednesday, August 5, 2009
Kern County Superintendent of Schools
1300 17th Street
Bakersfield, California

Minutes

COMMISSION CONVENED @ 2:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Audelo, Champness, Cheadle, Goh, Maier, Puckett; Waterman;
Alternate Commissioner Wasson
Absent: Commissioner: Jonah and McQuiston

Note: Ao, Cs, Ce, Gh, Jh, Mr, Mn, Pt and Wm are abbreviations for Commissioners Audelo, Champness, Cheadle, Goh, Jonah, Maier, McQuiston, Puckett and Waterman respectively. Alternate Commissioners are also similarly denoted. For example “Ao-Mr” denotes Commissioner Audelo made the motion and Commissioner Maier 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

(Alt. Commissioner Wasson entered the meeting, 2:02 P.M)

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 1) No one was heard.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2) Commissioners
 - No one was heard.
- 3) Technical Advisory Committee Report – Commissioner Audelo
 - Commissioner Audelo reported that the TAC met July 20, 2009, and discussed the RFP process and the next steps.
 - Commissioner Audelo thanked the TAC and staff for the many hours of work that were dedicated to the RFP process.
- 4) Executive Director’s Report – Larry J. Rhoades, Interim Executive Director
 - Mr. Rhoades reported on the State budget.



- Mr. Rhoades reported that Malorie Musselman, Program Officer would be leaving the organization to continue her education.
- 5) Report on Request For Proposals (RFP) –
- Mr. Rhoades reported that staff facilitated three Bidders Conferences with a total of 135 attendees which resulted in 113 letters of intent requesting more than \$22 million dollars.
 - Mr. Rhoades reported that First 5 Kern had received 76 proposals for review by the Independent Evaluation Committee (IEC).
- 6) Report on Children’s Health Initiative – Judith Harniman, Chief Program Officer
- Ms. Harniman provided an update regarding the income eligibility of the Children Health Initiative.
 - Ms. Harniman reported that MRMIB the administrator for the Healthy Family Program is facing a \$90 million shortfall for the fiscal year 2009 - 2010 leaving over 2,000 children waitlisted.
 - Mr. Rhoades reported on the efforts to cover uninsured children zero to five in the state of California and responded to questions.

ACTION ITEMS

Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes

- 7) Minutes of Children and Families Commission meeting of June 24, 2009 – APPROVED

Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes

- 8) Project 2000.2.22 (McFarland Unified School District – McFarland FRC) to become a School Readiness Initiative site – APPROVED THE AGREEMENT WITH THE MCFARLAND SRI FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$220,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2009 – 2010; AUTHORIZED THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY; SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY COUNSEL AS TO FORM; AUTHORIZED THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROGRAM.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

(The gavel was turned over to Dr. Waterman due to the abstention of Commissioners Maier, Audelo, and Cheadle)

Pt – Gh
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes

- 9) Election of officers – THE REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WAS MADE BY THE COMMISSION CHAIR; ON THE NOMINATION OF COMMISSION OFFICERS COMMISSIONER WATERMAN CALLED FOR NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR AND NONE WERE OFFERED; COMMISSIONER WATERMAN CONDUCTED ELECTION. OFFICERS WERE ELECTED AS FOLLOWS: ROLAND MAIER, CHAIRPERSON; MIMI AUDELO, VICE CHAIR PERSON; JON MCQUISTON, TREASURER; PAT CHEADLE, SECRETARY.

(The gavel was returned to Chairperson Maier)

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

10) Purple Ribbon Month

- Heidi Carter, Outreach and Communications Services of the Department of Human Services presented on Purple Ribbon month which raises awareness about Kaitlyn’s Law, passed in 2001.

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED

- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 11) Monthly Financial Report for June 2009 – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 12) Monthly Report on Reserved Funds for June 2009 – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 13) Minutes of the Nominating Committee meeting of July 2, 2009 – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 14) Report on Expenditure under the Policy on Support of Community Activities and Events (Early Childhood Council of Kern) – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 15) Report on Expenditure under the Policy on Support of Community Activities and Events (Eastern Sierra AEYC) – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 16) Letter from Estela Casas, Executive Director, Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance, dated June 26, 2009, re: Thank You for Approving Guardianship Caregiver Project Program – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 17) Letter from Diane M. Levin, Chief Deputy Director, First 5 California, dated July 3, 2009, re: School Readiness Cycle 2-Round 3 Program Funding Award for McFarland Unified School District Program – RECEIVED AND FILED
- Wm – Cs
Mn, Jn – AB
All Ayes
- 18) Professional Services Agreement by Marc R. Thibault, an Independent Consultant and Kern County Children and Families Commission – RECEIVED AND FILED

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned to Wednesday, October 7, 2009, 2:00 P.M., KCSOS, 1300 17th Street

FUTURE MEETINGS

First 5 Kern Commission	October 7, 2009	2:00 P.M.	KCSOS, 1300 17 th Street
First 5 Kern Commission	December 2, 2009	2:00 P.M.	KCSOS, 1300 17 th Street
Technical Advisory Committee	August 2009	DARK	
Technical Advisory Committee	September 21, 2009	10:00 A.M.	First 5 Kern Offices



Technical Advisory Committee	October 19, 2009	10:00 A.M.	First 5 Kern Offices
Technical Advisory Committee	November 16, 2009	10:00 A.M.	First 5 Kern Offices
Technical Advisory Committee	December 2009	DARK	

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS – STANDING COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE

Maier (Chair)
Cheadle
Audelo
McQuiston

TECHNICAL ADVISORY

Audelo (Chair)
Goh
Puckett

PERSONNEL

Audelo (Chair)
Jonah
Waterman
Goh (alternate)

BUDGET AND FINANCE

McQuiston (Chair)
Cheadle
Maier
Audelo (alternate)

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS – AD HOC COMMITTEES

COMMUNITY OUTREACH
AND COMMUNICATIONS

Waterman (Chair)
Audelo
Champness
Puckett

PROJECT REVIEW

Maier (Chair)
Jonah
Goh
Cheadle

CHILDREN’S HEALTH INSURANCE

Jonah (Chair)
Cheadle
Waterman

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