

FIRST 5 GLENN COUNTY

CHILDREN & FAMILIES COMMISSION MEETING

Commission Meeting Minutes – 02/13/2018

First 5- Nurturing Nest
1035 West Wood Street
10:00a.m. – 11:30a.m.

Commissioners Present:

Dwight Foltz
Charles Tracy
Jody Meza
Tami Ritter
Bill Wathen
Melissa Stearns

Alternates present:

Executive Director

Patricia Loera

First 5 Glenn Staff and AmeriCorps:

Rosa Esparza - First 5 Glenn
Nanci Orozco - First 5 Glenn
Bobby Sue Althaus, BSW - First 5 Glenn
Kelsey Adkins, LMFT - First 5 Glenn
Sean Loera - AmeriCorps
Maddison Heffley - AmeriCorps
Evan Orozco - AmeriCorps
Rene Cabral - AmeriCorps

Guest:

Kathy Furtado
Tommy Herseth
Mark Velasquez, ESQ. Jeppson & Griffin, LLP Attorneys at Law

1) CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Dwight Foltz, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2) ESTABLISH QUARUM

Quorum **was** established.

3) VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Chairperson Dwight Foltz verified with Rosa Esparza that the agenda for this meeting was posted February 9th, 2018 as prescribed by law.

4) PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner requested a new calendar of upcoming commission Meetings. Executive Director Patricia Loera made those available.

5) ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Approval of October meeting minutes

Motion was made to approve October minutes (December meeting was without quorum)

Motion made- **Tami Ritter**, Director of Court Services

Second- **Charles Tracy**, Superintendent of Hamilton Unified School District

All Commissioners approved motion to approve delay of October minutes .

6) PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment

CLOSED SESSION 10:10 A.M. – 11:15A.M.

REPORT OUT TO ALL ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

- 1) Ratify the retention of legal counsel to address Mrs. Furtado's claim and potential lawsuit.
- 2) Direct the Executive Director concerning modification of the Business/Human Resources/Technology Contract between GCOE and First 5.
- 3) Authorize staff to work with legal counsel concerning Board's instructions.

OPEN SESSION 11:20A.M. – 11:44A.M.

7) REPORTS TO COMMISSIONERS

- ❖ **Patricia Loera, Executive Director** delivered information of the **20th year Anniversary of First 5 California**. She reported on upcoming Advocacy Days that will be celebrated throughout the year beginning May 1, 2018 in Sacramento with all county Commissioners, Agency representatives, community members invited to attend at the capitol. Please inform First 5 if you are interested in attending. (Handouts)
- ❖ **Kelsey Adkins-LMFT, attended the First 5 Association Meeting** in January in place of Executive Director who was out with the flu. Ms. Adkins reported out that Advocacy Day is scheduled for May 2nd, 2018 at the Capitol main lawn in Sacramento. Discussions were held regarding all outreach materials to be displayed and distributed throughout all 58 counties. Additional events will be taking place before the end of the program year 2017-18. More details on these events to come.
- ❖ **Rosa Esparza, First 5 Glenn County Program/ Data Coordinator**, reported out on the current data of enrollments of parents and children in the **Little Learners Programs** as well as the **Nurturing Parenting Programs**. Current enrollments for October 2017 were 10 families of children and parents. Referrals were received from the following agencies: Health and Human Services, Hamilton Unified Elementary School, Mill Street Elementary School, and self-referred families with dental health needs. These referrals were entered into our First 5 Glenn's Online Data Master (ODM), data recording program.
- ❖ **Nanci Orozco, First 5 AmeriCorps Supervisor and Event Coordinator Assistant**, introduced the **2017-18 AmeriCorps members: Maddison Heffley, Evan Orozco, Rene Cabral, and Sean Loera**. First 5 Glenn currently has four AmeriCorps members serving in Glenn County. These members are providing services at the following locations: Hamilton Unified Elementary School, Walden, Murdock and Mill Street Elementary Schools. In these locations they provide support for children in TK/K classrooms that were identified in the spring 2017 **Devereux Early Childhood Assessment's (DECA)** and upon referrals. The DECA Assessments are implemented annually by trained and certified First 5 Staff to identify the incoming TK/K students who will need support in the classrooms with developing Social/Emotional, self-regulation and initiative skills for school success.

These **AmeriCorps** members also facilitate all **Little Learner Playgroups, Nurturing Family Events, and Nurturing Parent Engagement Services, Support Groups**.
- ❖ **Bobby Sue Althaus, BSW**, the First 5 Glenn County resident Social Worker and Nurturing Parenting Program Facilitator, presented an update on the current status of the

Nurturing Parenting Program. She went on to discuss the importance of the program through sharing a current touching success story of a family in services. She then shared her future plans and goals regarding the Nurturing Parenting program and its potential for parents and community.

- ❖ Patricia Loera, Executive Director, provided the Commission with the Prop. 10 monthly disbursements and Small County Augmentation schedule.
 - *September - \$19,826.63*
 - *October - \$18,926.51*

Charles Tracy made a motion to approve First 5 Glenn County disbursements
Melissa Stearns was second to vote Glenn County disbursements acceptance.

8) ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no additional comments

9) ADVANCE PLANNING

Patricia Loera, Executive Director announced that the next meeting will be held on **April 3rd, 2018**. It is the annual visit of External Evaluators, ***Sarah Boxx and Sarah Yeats-Patrick with social Entrepreneur, Inc.*** The Commission, agreed to move the time for the meeting. Meeting is scheduled for April 3rd, 2018 at 1:00p.m. to 3:00 at the First 5 Glenn County Office in the Conference room.

****This meeting will need a voting quorum****

10) MEETING ADJOURNED:

Meeting adjourned 11:44a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Rosa Esparza, Program/ Data Coordinator
Edited by: Cindi Ambriz, Administrative Assistant
Approved by: Patricia Loera, Executive Director