

APPROVED MINUTES

First 5 Yuba County Children and Families Commission
Regular Meeting (Hybrid) Minutes, December 15, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: *Commissioner Gordon called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.*

> **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT –**

*Commissioner Gordon
Commissioner Sokoloski
Commissioner Staples
Commissioner Bradford
Commissioner Arnold*

STAFF PRESENT –

*Ericka Summers
Robin Timoszyk
Carmen Rodriguez
Rita Baker
Sarah Kotko*

> **COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED –**

*Commissioner Thurman
Commissioner Reveles*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: *The group passed as the meeting was conducted hybrid, and the pledge of allegiance was said with the flag present.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: *No public comments were received.*

*Tony Gordon announced that this is his last meeting, and he is being reassigned. Two others will be assigned to this Commission in to represent the Director of HHS and Public Health.

- 1. Consent/Action- Resolution Regarding Teleconferencing in Accordance with AB361**
- 2. Consent/Action- Approval of Minutes for October 27, 2022**

Motion by Commissioner Arnold to approve the Consent Agenda.
Second: Commissioner Sokoloski

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner Gordon, Sokoloski, Arnold, and Bradford

Nay/Abstain: None

Motion carried.

- 3. Hearing Presentation from Applied Survey Research – Annual Evaluation Report**

External evaluator, Liat Sayfan, provided a 45 minutes presentation of the 2021/2022 Annual Evaluation Report.

- 4. Discussion/Action: MG23-A-103 Casa de Esperanza Application**

*Commissioner Gordon had all grants reviewed prior to discussion making because there is only \$12,000 left in the Mini-Grant funds, and all four applications asked for the maximum amount of \$4,000. Gordon stated that this would be a fair way to make sure they were funding the applications in the correct manner. Ericka showed and explained the current snapshot of the 2022-23 Mini-Grants, and she advised the Commission of an alternate funding amount to be able to fund all applications. The Commission agreed to let all applicants explain, and then they would decide how much they would fund each.

Michelle Downing was present to explain the project. One of the questions asked on this project was; where was other funding going to come from to be able to complete the project? She responded that they would solicit other organizations, such as the Rotary, Kiwanis, etc. Michelle reiterated that any funding would be helpful for their project.

Motion by Commissioner Arnold to fund Casa de Esperanza for \$3,000.

Second: Commissioner Sokoloski

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner Gordon, Sokoloski, Staples, and Arnold

Nay/Abstain: None

Motion carried.

5. Discussion/Action: MG23-A-104 Beale Family Support Center Boosters Club

Kim Hogue and Gerardo were present to explain the project.

Motion by Commissioner Sokoloski to fund Beale Family Support Center Booster Club for \$3,000.

Second: Commissioner Arnold

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner Gordon, Sokoloski, Staples, and Arnold

Nay/Abstain: None

Motion carried.

6. Discussion/Action: MG23-A-105 Yuba Sutter United Way

Robert Harlan was present to explain the project.

Motion by Commissioner Arnold to fund Yuba Sutter Colusa United Way for \$3,000.

Second: Commissioner Staples.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner Gordon, Sokoloski, Staples, and Arnold

Nay/Abstain: None

Motion carried.

7. Discussion/Action: MG23-A-106 North Yuba Little League

Kim Hutton was present via zoom to explain the project.

Motion by Commissioner Sokoloski to fund North Yuba Little League for \$3,000.

Second: Commissioner Staples

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner Gordon, Sokoloski, Staples, and Arnold

Nay/Abstain: None

Motion carried.

8. Discussion/Action: Approval of the 2023 Commission Meeting Schedule

Motion by Commissioner Arnold to approve the 2023 Commission Meeting Schedule.

Second: Commissioner Sokoloski

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner Gordon, Sokoloski, Staples, and Arnold

Nay/Abstain: None

Motion carried.

9. Discussion/Action: Pursuant to County Ordinance- Article VI, Section 2, Appoint Chair and Vice Chair

The Commissioners discussed options and nominated Commissioner Sokoloski if she would be the Chair for the 2023 year since she is the current Vice Chair, and she accepted the nomination. Additional discussion for the position of Vice Chair, Jim Arnold would only be present for half the year, and then at that time, the Vice Chair position will be re-evaluated. Jim accepted the nomination for Vice-Chair.

Motion by Commissioner Gordon to elect Commissioner Sokoloski as Chair and Commissioner Arnold as Vice Chair for 2023.

Second: Commissioner Staples

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner Gordon, Sokoloski, Staples, and Arnold

Nay/Abstain: None

Motion carried.

10. Discussion: Prop 10 Revenues

Executive Director provided a high-level overview of the effect of the recently approved Proposition 31 (flavor ban) on tobacco taxes and First 5 funds for the current and following years. The most recent funding projections were released in November. The budget was built around \$758,000 in funding, and the new projections show \$705,000 through June 2023. A reduction of \$55,000 this year or 8%. They typically decline by 2%. Prop 31 is effective December 21, 2022. Over the next year and a half, we will see a 25% decline in revenue before leveling out. To meet existing obligations, we will need to use more funds from the trust account than originally anticipated. ED requested feedback on creating a Budget Ad Hoc Committee and other cost-saving measures. Other suggestions included applying for outside grants, collaborating with other County Departments such as Health and Human Services and Probation, CAPC prevention funds, and funding staff over travel or materials. Overall, the Commission is in a good position to weather this reduction in funding. The Commission provided feedback that such a committee should be created. ED may look into the cost of a consultant to help with a long range financial plan. Will bring more information back to the Commission in February.

11. Discussion: Executive Director Monthly Activity Report

Executive Director Summers provided the commission with a brief administration, program, special committee updates, and outreach report since October.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:29 PM

The next Commission Meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2023.