OPEN SESSION CALL TO ORDER: Chair, Sokoloski called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

- Commissioners Present – Sally Sokoloski, Pam Morasch, Homer Rice, Jim Arnold and Melinda Staples
- Absent- Gary Bradford and Francisco Reveles
- Staff Present: Analicia Perez and Robin Timoszyk
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Chair Sokoloski

PUBLIC COMMENT/HEARING:

No Comments

Item 1: Action

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING- December 14, 2017

Motion: Commissioner Arnold

Second: Commissioner Rice

Vote: Motion Carried 4-0

Ayes: Sokoloski, Arnold, Morasch, Rice

Item 2: Public Hearing

REVIEW FIRST 5 CA ANNUAL REPORT FOR FY 16-17

Commission Sokoloski open a public hearing to review the First 5 California annual report for FY 2015-2016. There was no public comment on the First 5 California report. The First 5 CA annual report had summary for Yuba County on Camptonville 1, 2, 3 Grow.

Item 3: Discussion/Action

MJUSD- CHILD DEVELOPMENT BUDGET REVISION REQUEST

The Commission reviewed the revised budget request from Marysville Joint Unified School District school readiness. The original budget anticipated flat costs in salaries and benefits. In June 2017 MJUSD concluded contract negotiations with staff that had a significant effect on
cost of salaries and benefits for the remainder of the contract. The proposed budget revision reduces the Services and Supplies funds to cover a portion of the salary increases. The additional funds requested are necessary to prevent a reduction in services though the remaining term of the contract. The Commission approved the budget revision.

Motion: Commissioner Arnold
Second: Commissioner Morasch
Vote: Motion Carried 4-0
Ayes: Arnold, Morasch, Rice, Sokoloski

Item 4: Discussion/Action
REVIEW MINI-GRANT APPLICATIONS

MG 18-107 YES CHARTER ACADEMY

The Commission reviewed the mini-grant application for YES Charter Academy that scored an average of 78 from the application review committee. The application is for new playground equipment for children 0-5 and art supplies. There was a question asked by the review committee about the playground equipment funding the appropriate age 0-5? Debbie Campbell administrative assistant of YES Charter Academy could not attend the meeting but responded in an email the funding requested was for the TK-K students who are 4-5 years old. The main focus of this project is to create playing based learning, physical activities and building independence. The Commission approved YES Charter Academy mini-grant of $4,280.50 for playground equipment.

Motion: Commissioner Arnold
Second: Commissioner Rice
Vote: Motion Carried 5-0
Ayes: Arnold, Rice, Morasch, Sokoloski, Staples

MG18-108 CHILDREN’S HOME SOCIETY APPLICATION

The Commission reviewed the mini-grant application for Children’s Home Society that scored an average of 93 from the application review committee. This application is for the six child development workshops for child care providers in Yuba County. The review committee and Commission had recommendations for Children’s Home Society to conduct the trainings in a Yuba County location. Robin Timoszyk spoke to a representative from CHS and a possible location is the Yuba County library conference room. The Commission approved Children’s Home Society mini-grant of $4,953.37 for Yuba County provider’s workshops.

Motion: Commissioner Arnold
Second: Commissioner Rice
Vote: Motion Carried 5-0
Ayes: Arnold, Rice, Morasch, Sokoloski, Staples

MG18-109 E CENTER

The Commission reviewed the mini-grant application for E Center (Head Start) that scored an average of 90 from the application review committee. This application is for purchasing iPad for Yuba County E-Center sites for teachers to more efficiently implement assessments. Anna Johnson from E-Center clarified questions for the review committee and Commission. Johnson explained the mini-grant was only to purchase the iPad and the program Learning Genie was funding by E-Center. She also clarified the iPad will only be at the Yuba County E-Center sites. The Commission approved E-Center Head Start mini-grant of $4,950 for tablets at the Yuba County E-Center sites.

Motion: Commissioner Arnold
Second: Commissioner Morasch
Vote: Motion Carried 5-0
Ayes: Arnold, Rice, Morasch, Sokoloski, Staples

MG 18-110 ADRIENNE MALONEY/ YS WALK N ROLL

The Commission reviewed the mini-grant application for Adrienne Maloney YS Walk n Roll event that scored an average of 85 from the application review committee. This application will be to purchased t-shirts for the YS Walk N Roll event and bring awareness to children with disabilities. A Commissioner asked if resources will be provided for families at this event. Adrienne Maloney expressed she provides resource bags for participants with information and sponsors attending the event have information on children with disabilities. The Commission approved Adrienne Maloney mini-grant of $1,000 for Yuba Sutter Walk n Roll event.

Motion: Commissioner Staples
Second: Commissioner Arnold
Vote: Motion Carried 5-0
Ayes: Arnold, Rice, Morasch, Sokoloski, Staples

MG18-112 MJUSD SCHOOL READINESS

The Commission reviewed the mini-grant application for MJUSD school readiness that scored an average of 96 from the application review committee. This application is to enhance the learning environment with age appropriate supplies for MJUSD school readiness class rooms. A Commissioner mentioned MJUSD requested a budget revision in the last item and expressed
concerns on funding both items. Kathy Woods director of MJUSD school readiness understood the Commissioner concerns and explained the supplies would enhance the children learning environment to model preschool setting. Woods expressed their budget does not fund material/supplies because the funding went towards salaries and benefits to keep current staff. The Commission approved MJUSD School Readiness mini-grant of $4,972.89 to enhance school readiness supplies.

Motion: Commissioner Rice

Second: Commissioner Arnold

Vote: Motion Carried 4-1

Ayes: Rice, Arnold, Staples, Sokoloski

No: Morasch

MG18-113 YCOE SPECIAL EDUCATION PRESCHOOL

The Commission reviewed the mini-grant application for Special Education Preschool Field Trip that scored an average of 96 from the application review committee. This application is to fund a field trip to Playzeum. The Commission approved the Special Education Preschool mini-grant of $1,200 for funding to the Playzeum.

Motion: Commissioner Morasch

Second: Commissioner Staples

Vote: Motion Carried 5-0

Ayes: Arnold, Rice, Morasch, Sokoloski, Staples

Item 5: Discussion/Action

MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS TO LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

The Commission reviewed the mid-year budget revision and amendments for the long term financial plan. The budget was revised to reflect the increase in MJUSD (School Readiness) budget.

Motion: Commissioner Staples

Second: Commissioner Arnold

Vote: Motion Carried 5-0

Ayes: Arnold, Rice, Morasch, Sokoloski, Staples
Item 6: Discussion/Action

AD-HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE AND RECOMMENDATION

The Chair summarized the letter from First 5 Association attorney to the Commission and public. The letter was about the legal procedures of the possible regional First 5 Commission. A Commissioner had some concerns about losing services to the outlying area of Yuba County. Partners have voiced their concerns to maintain the services to outlying areas of the County.

Another Commissioner asked for staff to create a budget of both Counties to see the difference in savings.

Motion to formally pursue an MOU with Sutter Co Children and Families Commission for a joint commission and split the cost of any consultant fees 50/50.

Motion: Commissioner Morasch
Second: Commissioner Rice

Vote: 4-1

Ayes: Morasch, Rice, Arnold, Sokoloski
No: Staples

Item 7: Discussion

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

Robin Timoszyk read the monthly activity report.

Item 8: Closed Session

Due to recently enacted strict time limits on interim appointments/temporary promotions, the Interim Executive Director appointment, set to expire 2/28/18, will not be renewed. Robin will return to Program Specialist effective 3/1/18. The director of Health and Human Services will appoint a manager to act as administrative oversite.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:45 P.M.