

**FIRST 5 SAN BENITO  
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Meeting Minutes  
May 3, 2006**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Kendra Bobsin called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Kendra Bobsin, Ricki Mazzullo, Kim Dryden, Dr. Elizabeth Falade, Lou Medeiros, and Dr. Marni Friedman\*

Commissioners Excused: Kathy Flóres, Pat Loe

County Personnel Present: Casey Castillo, First 5 Executive Director, Martha Ruíz, First 5 Staff Services Analyst, Kellie Guerra, First 5 Sustainability Coordinator, Irma València, County Counsel

\*Dr. Marni Friedman was absent from the meeting from 10:03 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

**3. ACKNOWLEDGE POSTING OF AGENDA**

Confirmation was made of agenda posting in Suites 8 & 10 of the Early Learning Center site on Line Street.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT**

Dr. Falade moved to approve the minutes for April 2006 and the Commission and School Readiness budgets for March 2006. Ricki Mazzullo seconded the motion and it was approved with the following roll call vote: Ayes –Falade, Mazzullo, Bobsin, Dryden, and Medeiros. Opposed – None. Abstained – None.

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

None

**6. COMMUNICATION**

- a. There was no audience communication.
- b. There was no written communication.
- c. The Commission reviewed Casey Castillo's Executive Director Report: (see detailed handout). Casey made the following additions to her report:
  - Casey met with Gary Byrne from the Community Foundation. The Commission directed Casey to bring back more information on the Community Foundation at a future meeting. Casey stated she would ask Mr. Byrne to give a presentation to the Commission at July's Commission meeting.
  - Casey noted she plans to meet with the County Treasurer later this month.
- d. The Commission reviewed Kellie Guerra's Sustainability Coordinator Report (see detailed handout).
  - Kellie presented two paintings which were donated by local artists to represent San Benito County at the State First 5 Annual Conference.
- e. The Commission reviewed Joyce Swett's School Readiness Report (see detailed handout).

**7. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

- a. Casey Castillo reported First 5 San Benito received two applications for appointment to the Commission. Casey will interview the two applicants and make a recommendation to the Commission in June.
- b. The Commission reviewed the Money-Out Subcommittee report. Recommendations will be brought back as part of the Strategic Plan and 5-Year Financial Plan revisions in June.

## 8. ACTION

- a. The Commission reviewed and discussed FY06-07 Direct Service Continuation Grants. Irma València from County Counsel advised the Commission to file separate motions for each agency recommended for funding.
  - Kim Dryden made a motion, seconded by Dr. Friedman to approve funding Aromas-San Juan Unified School District for FY06-07 in the amount of \$64,000. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes - Dryden, Friedman, Bobsin, Falade, Mazzullo and Medeiros. Opposed – None. Abstained – None.
  - Kim Dryden made a motion seconded by Ricki Mazzullo to approve funding San Benito County Behavioral Health for FY06-07 in the amount of \$43,000. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes - Dryden, Mazzullo, Bobsin, Falade, Friedman and Medeiros. Opposed – None. Abstained – None.
  - Dr. Friedman made a motion seconded by Lou Medeiros to approve funding the Healthy Pathways program for FY06-07 in the amount of \$80,000. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes - Friedman, Medeiros, Bobsin, Dryden, and Mazzullo. Opposed – None. Abstained – Falade.
  - Dr. Friedman made a motion seconded by Kim Dryden to approve funding the Rural Mobile Preschool program for FY06-07 in the amount of \$75,000. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes – Friedman, Dryden, Bobsin, Falade, and Mazzullo. Opposed – None. Abstained – Medeiros
  - Kim Dryden made a motion seconded by Ricki Mazzullo to approve funding the Family Resource Center's Great Beginnings program for FY06-07 in the amount of \$114,000. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes - Dryden, Mazzullo, Bobsin, Friedman and Medeiros. Opposed – None. Abstained – Falade.
  - Kim Dryden made a motion seconded by Dr. Friedman to approve funding Gabilan Elementary for FY06-07 in the amount of \$50,000. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes - Dryden, Friedman, Bobsin, Falade, Mazzullo and Medeiros. Opposed – None. Abstained – None.
  - ❖ Casey noted the total amount for these six programs is \$426,000. CARES will be funded for \$70,000 and \$125,000 will be reserved for Dental. The combined total for FY06-07 funding is \$621,000.
- b. Casey Castillo gave a brief overview to the Commission on a Dental Request for Proposals Draft in their packets. Several suggestions were made on changes to language in the proposal. Dr. Friedman made a motion, seconded by Ricki Mazzullo to approve the Dental Request for Proposal as amended. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes – Friedman, Mazzullo, Bobsin, Dryden, Falade, and Medeiros. Opposed – None. Abstained – None.

## 9. STRATEGIC PLANNING CONTINUED REVIEW

- a. Final Strategic Plan Revision will be presented to the Commission for official adoption in June.

## 10. OTHER - FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Action
  - Consider Amendment to Contract – Children's Oral Health Program
  - Consider Budget Revision – Healthy Pathways
  - Consider Budget Revision – Great Beginnings
  - Consider Budget Revision – Rural Mobile Preschool
  - Consider Recommendation for Appointment to Commission
  - Approval of FY06-07 First 5 Budget
  - Approval of FY06-07 School Readiness Budget
  - Approval of First 5 Ordinance Language Changes
  - Approval of First 5 Policies
  - Approval of Strategic Plan Revisions
  - Approval of 5-Yr Financial Plan Revision
- The next Commission meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, June 6, 2006 beginning at 10:00 AM in Suite 9 of the Early Learning Center located at 1011 Line Street – Hollister.

## 11. ADJOURN

Lou Medeiros made a motion for adjournment. Kim Dryden seconded the motion and it was approved with the following roll call vote: Ayes – Medeiros, Dryden, Bobsin, Falade, Friedman and Mazzullo. Opposed – None. Abstained – None. The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 AM.