



ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members:

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MEETING AGENDA

August 13, 2021

2:00-3:30PM

**THIS MEETING IS
HELD VIA
TELECONFERENCE/
WEBINAR DUE TO
COVID 19
RESTRICTIONS**

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Welcome & Introductions
3. Icebreaker
4. Public Comments on Off-Agenda Items
5. Approve minutes for June 11, 2021 meetings
6. First 5 Sacramento Executive Director's Report
Julie Gallelo
7. Community Connections Grant Recap and Parent Leadership Efforts
Alejandra Labrado, First 5 Planner
8. Member Announcements/Comments
9. Adjourn



ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DRAFT ACTION SUMMARY

Friday, June 11, 2021 - 2:00 PM

Members: Robert Silva (Chair), Silvia Rodriguez (Vice-Chair)
Katie Andrew, Robin Blanks, Emily Bowen, Carolyn Curtis, Kathy Fleming, Jose Goris, Heidi Keiser, Pooja Mittal, Amanda Morgan, Alexxandria Paige, Jeff Rabinovitz, Tony Smith, Ricki Townsend, Cid Van Koersel, Walter Wyniarczuk

Staff: Julie Gallelo, Executive Director
Erin Maurie, Communications and Policy Director

Absent: Robert Silva (Chair), Silvia Rodriguez (Vice-Chair), Katie Andrews, Emily Bowen, Alexxandria Paige, Jeff Rabinovitz, Walter Wyniarczuk

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
ACTION: The Zoom Meeting was called to order at 2:07 PM. A quorum was established.
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Icebreaker: Making Connections Virtually
Julie Gallelo led an exercise based on your number of siblings and members were able to share their childhood experiences. It was an opportunity to get to know the committee members.
4. Public Comments on Off-Agenda Items
No Comment.
5. Approval of the Draft Action Summary from June 11, 2021
ACTION: Motion to approve from Jose Goris and seconded by Robin Blanks. Full Committee approval.
6. First 5 Sacramento's Executive Director's Report
Julie Gallelo shared the following items:
 - First 5 Sacramento's Resolution on Racial Equity and Social Justice
 - COVID-19 Vaccine for Childcare Providers
 - First 5 Virtual Advocacy Day
7. Racial Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Update: Operationalizing the Resolution on Racial Equity & Social Justice

The Committee reviewed the updated REDI draft action plan goals that included details on the consultants/partners, resources and timeline:

Goal 1: Review and revise all policies, procedures, practices, protocols and publications to ensure racial equity is a core value of First 5 Sacramento.

Goal 2: Offer ongoing professional development and training to the Commission, Committees, partners and staff on implicit bias and an anti-racist framework regarding racial, economic and social justice.

Goal 3: Provide opportunities for community members of color to become a voice within our organization through education, training and internship opportunities; creating a pathway to leadership that promotes diversity and equality in decision making for children and families.

Goal 4: Continually monitor for the potential presence of health, school readiness and family strengthening disparities through data collection and evaluation, using equity to guide our research for equal health outcomes.

Goal 5: Prioritize the investment of promoting racial equity to address social determinants of health, school readiness and family strengthening, including but not limited to continuing support for First 5 Sacramento programs that reduce the death of African American children.

Next step is review by the SOS Committee.

8. Announcements/Comments
None.

Adjourned: 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Maurie
First 5 Sacramento Commission

**FIRST 5 SACRAMENTO COMMISSION
Advisory Committee Update
August 2021**

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST COMMISSION MEETING – August 2, 2021

- Approval of Final Budget and 10-Year Financial Plan for FY 21/22
- Presentation: Community Connections Grant Wrap-up
- Presentation: Demonstrating Impact through Tableau Dashboards

UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA- October 4, 2021

- Approval of Updated 2021-2024 Implementation Plan
- Approval of 3-Year Funding for RAACD Steering Committee
- Presentation: Racial Equity Diversity & Inclusion Action Plan

FIRST 5 SACRAMENTO GENERAL UPDATES

Bi-lingual Book Distribution

With an investment from First 5 California, we distributed over 10,000 high-quality, bilingual books last month. Fifteen community agencies that serve children from low-income families picked up boxes of the books.

We're finally moving forward with a partnership with the River Cats, after it was put on hold during the pandemic. Much like our collaboration with the Sacramento Kings a couple of years ago, this small contract will allow us to get our message out about the importance of the first 5 years and to promote First 5 Sacramento. Over the next 10 months, we will have:



- Signage logo and tagline (Investing in our kids, Investing in our future) on all the changing stations in mens, womens and family restrooms
- Booster seat logo signage
- Sunday pre-game live announcement
- Concourse sign logo and tagline (You are your child's first teacher)
- 6 resource tabling events at games
- 2 :15 second live read announcements during each game
- 2 Dinger appearances
- Social media posts
- 70 complimentary tickets to distribute to F5 families
- Corporate sponsor networking events

Home Visiting Coordination Collaborative (HVCC) Update

The Commission-led countywide Home Visiting Coordination Collaborative (HVCC) is gaining strength with additional providers joining our bi-monthly meetings, and now through intentional, targeted outreach, we will be adding parents to the Collaborative. We recognize that community voice is critical to successfully identifying and eliminating barriers that families face in accessing home visiting and other support services. In addition, the Collaborative will plan a parent leadership training later this year.

Health Outcomes from Positive Experiences (HOPE) Update

In May, First 5 convened over 80 community partners for an overview of Healthy Outcomes from Positive Experiences, otherwise known as (HOPE), which was hosted by the Tufts Medical Center. The HOPE framework includes four building blocks that mitigate the impact of trauma in early childhood. It's an asset based approach to building resilience in families by creating positive interactions. We're working with Tufts to convene 3 to 4 sector-specific trainings this fall for our partners in the health, early learning, family support and child welfare fields.

Safe Sleep Baby 2.0

The Commission has been funding Safe Sleep Baby (SSB) since 2014 to educate the community and address the disparity in infant sleep related deaths, particularly in the African American community. In late 2020, Commission staff partnered with the Sacramento County Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services (DCFAS), the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Sacramento (CAPC), and the Black Child Legacy Campaign (BCLC) on a joint proposal to the California State Department of Social Services, Office of Child Abuse and Prevention (OCAP). The proposal, which requests \$250,000 per year for two years, is an expansion of the current SSB program. SSB 2.0 will focus on systems changes within DCFAS, increase access to services for vulnerable communities, and will provide opportunities for other communities to replicate our work.

Office Remodel

The Building Lease Committee is working feverishly to transition into the new lease. The new lease approved by the Commission in May reduces the square footage by 30% and eliminates 8 offices or workspaces. A detailed timeline of tasks was put together and included surplus and donation of office furniture, recycling, scanning, computer/IT asset management, construction schedule, carpet and paint, and more. We aren't in the building yet, but should be within a few weeks. I'm happy to report that several funded partners and other nonprofits made appointments with County Surplus to pick up desks, chairs, bookshelves and filing cabinets. It made us feel good to know that the First 5 office furniture will continue to be used by family serving agencies.

Unequal Birth Public Awareness Campaign Update

We just wrapped up a six month Unequal Birth public awareness campaign, which performed very strongly, surpassing industry benchmarks across the board. The campaign, which brings awareness to the general public about racism as the root cause of birth inequities in Sacramento, will continue into the new strategic plan

period and is currently being audited through a partnership with Her Health First and RSE. A refreshed campaign will be highlighted later this year.

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Public Awareness Campaign

First 5 partnered with SCOE on the development and execution of an ACEs Public Awareness Campaign. We used the Help Me Grow (HMG) platform as the hub to drive awareness about ACEs, with a refreshed website that now includes a dedicated ACEs Aware tab. Additionally, the website was translated into Spanish. Currently, we're working on a Spanish digital campaign to create awareness about the new Spanish language HMG/ACEs website.

CA 2021-22 State Budget

The state budget provides unprecedented support for Early Learning and Care in California and makes historic investments in universal Transitional Kindergarten (TK) as well as other areas of the state's Early Learning and Care system. California's 2021-2022 budget aligns with the Biden-Harris Administration's proposals for investment in Early Learning and Care for families, found in its American Families Plan, which includes \$200 billion to expand Pre-K to all 3 and 4-year-olds and \$225 billion to increase access to high-quality, affordable child care for young children. The CA state budget areas of focus for First 5 includes:

Child Care

- A comprehensive package to stabilize and bolster the child care field through an array of strategies, such as:
 - annualizing an increase in provider reimbursement rates to 75% of the 2018 Regional Market Rate, and allocating one-time federal money to bring all providers to 85% for the next two years
 - adding 120,000 new child care slots in 2021-22, and increasing to 200,000 new slots by 2024-25
 - waiving family fees for one year
 - continuing hold harmless payment policies
 - expanding funding for child care facilities
- Provision of one-time funds for early childhood mental health consultation to support child care providers in addressing children's social-emotional development, using trauma-informed practices, and promoting health and wellbeing for children and families impacted by the pandemic

Mental, Dental and Physical Health

- Five-year extension of Medi-Cal eligibility for postpartum individuals to 12 months after birth
- Creation of a Medi-Cal dyadic care benefit to improve preventive care for young children and their parents/caregivers, address social-emotional needs, and support maternal mental health
- Addition of doula services as a covered Medi-Cal benefit
- Addition of Community Health Workers to provide culturally responsive care to Medi-Cal clients
- Creation of a Children & Youth Behavioral Health Initiative to reimagine mental and behavioral health supports for individuals ages 0-25
- Continuation of financial support to work across systems to address adverse childhood experiences

- Managed Care Dental will continue in Sacramento and LA Counties through 2022 and, according to the CA Department of Health Care Services, there are no plans currently to move to Fee for Service.

Developmental Screening and Services

- Extension of Early Start services for children with developmental delays up to age 5
- Continuation of Prop. 56 supplemental payments that incentivize well-child visits and screenings for ACEs and developmental delays

Family Strengthening and Supports

- Extension of the current 60%-70% wage replacement for paid family leave for low-income families until the end of 2022
- Dedication of a total of \$12 billion in Golden State Stimulus payments that will reach two-thirds of Californians, with \$600 direct payments to all taxpayers who make up to \$75,000/year and didn't receive a first payment; and additional direct payments for families with dependents, including undocumented families
- Increase of the CalWORKs Maximum Aid Payment

Children in Foster Care

- \$37 million augmentation of the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children to connect caregivers and parenting youth in foster care to child care
- \$80 million to support children and youth in foster care (through a \$1,500 pandemic stipend)
- \$100 million in additional resources for prevention services that strengthen families, reduce racial inequities, and reduce entries into foster care

Revenue

- First 5 will continue to receive an appropriately fair share of the Vape Tax revenue in the new budget. This is a huge sigh of relief for us all and is the result of intensive education and advocacy for our legislators by First 5 staff and commissioners across the state.
- The \$20 million in one-time COVID Relief funding to the county First 5 Commissions for local early childhood systems integration did not move forward. The Association and County Commissions will continue to look at how to make the case for our value at the state level and may come back in later years with an ask of financial support.



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS GRANTS (CCG)

January 2016-June 2021

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS= LEADERSHIP



- 90% of parents learned about new community resources
- 93% felt more confident about being involved in their community
- 93% felt more bonded with their child
- 87% of children learned new skills to prepare them for school

During the quarantine when everyone felt so isolated, we were even able to offer zoom meetings and a drive-through parade to help families maintain that very important connection with the community.

--- Families First CCG Group Leader

We became friends with families of different cultures and backgrounds.

---- CCG Parent

65 Grassroots Groups
3,000 +Families
10 Languages

\$535,000

A small investment
with a lasting impact!

First 5's Commitment to Community Continues



COLLABORATION

Will work with community partners including Health Net and Lead4Tomorrow to encourage leadership at both the family and community level.

PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Will provide training to help prepare parents to advocate for their communities on issues that impact their families.

PARENTS AS PARTNERS

Will include parents on committees where they will have a voice in decisions about services for families.

Grantees inspired parents to make a difference in their families and their communities.



First 5 Sacramento is committed to supporting efforts that lift the community voice and create pathways to leadership that promote diversity and equity for all children and families.