



Minutes: Advisory Committee Meeting

Virtual Meeting Date and Time First 5 Advisory Committee Meeting
February 23, 2023 - 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Attendees **Advisory Committee** James Moses, Sonia Rubio, Reyna Sanchez, Wendy Alvarez, Dr. Cherina Betters, Jacquelyn Greene, Michelle Parker, George Lamb, Gary Ovitt, Monique Amis

First 5 San Bernardino
Cindy Faulkner, Traci Homan, Scott McGrath, Wendy Lee, Ronnie Robinson, Debora Dickerson-Sims

Call meeting to order and Pledge of Allegiance Conducted by James Moses, Advisory Committee Vice Chair

Change to the Agenda None

Item No.	CONSENT
1	Approve Minutes of February 23, 2023 Advisory Committee Meeting

Item No.	DISCUSSION
2	Recruitment for Advisory Committee Members <i>Presenter: Cindy Faulkner, Assistant Director</i> Ms. Faulkner announced that the Advisory Committee currently has 11 active members and can have up to 25 members so there is room for additional recruitment. This is a two-year commitment. If anyone is interested or know of anyone, please contact Cindy Faulkner or Traci Homan and we will follow up on those recommendations.
3	First 5 Strategic Plan Update <i>Presenter: Scott McGrath, Deputy Director Systems and Impact</i>

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	<p>Mr. McGrath introduced Allison Wong, Sally Lee and Kelly Goods from EVALCORP who gave updates on the community listening sessions and the strategic planning process. Members provided feedback on future systems work such as equity pillars, enhanced efforts around mental and behavioral health and initiatives that can support multiple priority areas. The final Strategic Plan will be heard in June for Commission approval.</p> <p>Ms. Faulkner inquired if there was a significant drop in child abuse reports during the 2020-21 school year as a result of COVID since teachers mainly report abuse. Ms. Lee agreed that there was a significant drop which is reflected in their data.</p>
4	<p>Child Care and Development Infrastructure Grant Program 9CCDD-IGP <i>Presenter: James Moses, Child Care Resource Center, Regional Director</i></p> <p>Mr. Moses provided an update on the Child Care and Development Infrastructure Grant Program that came out of ARPA Funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$250 million dollars for minor and major renovation repairs for all licensed programs.• \$100 million dollars initially for minor renovation repairs for child care facility where they needed to recover space that was lost due to natural disaster. Did not get enough applications to use this money.• Grant reissued to allow State funded programs or not could apply for funding• 10 programs in San Bernardino County did apply and at least five received an award letter.• Processing 200 appeals then will finalize award by end of March 2023.• Second grant is for \$250 million dollars for new construction or major renovation to programs such as tear down and rebuild outdoor space. Application deadline was January 31, 2023. Award letters will be sent out by late April early May 2023.

Public Comment

None

Committee Member Roundtable

James Moses stated that on behalf of CCRC they have a lot of money for families to pay for child care and is not just for low-income families. Increased income eligibility such as:

- A single mom with one child can make up to \$72,000 a year and be eligible
- Family of three can make \$82,000 and be eligible
- Family of four can make up to \$92,000 and be eligible

Reach out to James Moses if you would like more information. If the money is not spent the Governor may take back the money, so we would really appreciate if you get the word out to everyone.

Cindy Faulkner and James Moses both thanked EVALCORP for their presentation and members participation.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Next Meetings

To be determined.

Attest

Traci Homan, Executive Assistant
