

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Fresno EOC Board Room
January 23, 2019
6:00 PM

MINUTES

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

Linda Hayes, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

II. **ROLL CALL**

Roll was called and there was a quorum.

Commissioners Present: Amy Arambula, Zina Brown-Jenkins, Celeste Cabrera, Lee Ann Eager, Misty Franklin, Charles Garabedian, Linda Hayes, Angie Isaak, Lupe Jaime-Mileham (phone), Richard Keyes, Rey Leon, Bruce McAlister (phone), Barigye McCoy, Lisa Nichols, Daniel Parra, Michael Reyna, Chuck Riojas, Catherine Robles, Elaine Robles-McGraw, Jimi Rodgers and Maiyer Vang (phone).

Commissioners Absent: LeRoy Candler, Jerome Countee and Daniel Martinez.

III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Parra.

IV. **PRESENTATION OF BOARD PLAQUES**

Angus and Hayes prepared to present a plaque for recognition of service to Nathan Alonzo. Nathan Alonzo was not present.

V. **TRANSFORMING AND INSPRIING**

Valley Apprenticeship Connections

Lydia Gutierrez, Director, introduced three clients: Raquel (Rocky) Duran, Mike Cortez and Simon Aguilar, who shared how Valley Apprenticeship Connections has positively impacted their lives by providing stable employment.

VI. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

M/S/C – Parra/Isaak to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor.

VII. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

November 28, 2018 Meeting Minutes

M/S/C – Eager/Parra to approve the December 19, 2018 meeting minutes. All in favor.

VIII. **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

A. Election of Officers

Angus began the election of officers by announcing the nominees as follows:

Board Chair: Linda Hayes. Angus asked for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made.

First Vice Chair: Angie Isaak. Angus asked for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made.

Second Vice Chair: Michael Reyna. Angus asked for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made.

Treasurer: Lee Ann Eager. Angus asked for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made.

Angus announced the above officers as presented and stated above. All in favor.

B. Access Plus Capital – Election of 2 Fresno EOC Board Representatives

Angus announced the board will need to vote for two Access Plus Capital representatives to sit on the board. Angus asked for nominations from the floor. Eager nominated Catherine Robles; Hayes nominated Charles Garabedian; Isaak nominated Elaine Robles-McGraw; all will be added to the ballot. Hayes asked Robles, Garabedian, and Robles-McGraw if they would accept the nomination and responsibilities if elected; Robles, Garabedian, and Robles-McGraw agreed. No other nominations were made. Once the commissioners cast their votes on the ballots, Angus and Shiomi collected and counted all ballots. The results were: Catherine Robles – 13; Elaine Robles-McGraw - 13; Charles Garabedian – 9. Robles and Robles-McGraw won the election for a two-year term on the Access Plus board.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

M/S/C – McCoy/Nichols to approve the following:

- A. Finance Committee Meeting
 - 1. January 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes
 - 2. Agency Financial Reports
 - a. Agency Financial Reports
 - b. Head Start Financial Status Report
 - 3. Accounting Policy Update
 - a. Travel
 - b. Cost Allocation
- B. Human Resources Committee Meeting
January 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes
- C. Planning and Evaluation Committee
 - 1. January 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes
 - 2. Communications
California Complete Count Census 2020 Office Regional Administrative
Community-Based Organization Outreach RFP
 - 3. Community Services
 - a. Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc. Grant
 - b. Kaiser Permanente Grant
 - 4. Employment and Training
CalFresh Employment and Training Services
 - 5. Food Services
Amendment 1 to Vendor Agreement for Congregate Meals with FMAAA
 - 6. Local Conservation Corps
 - a. County of Fresno Landscaping Services for County Service Areas
 - b. Proposition 68 Grant Application
 - 7. Sanctuary and Youth Services

- a. Arcus Foundation Application
- b. Sisters of St. Joseph Healthcare Foundation

All in favor.

X. **ADVISORY BOARDS**

M/S/C –Arambula/Nichols to accept:

- A. *Access Plus Capital*
December 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes
- B. *Head Start County Wide Policy Council*
 - 1. *December 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes*

All in favor.

XI. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Angus shared the following from his report:

- Fresno EOC has taken on the responsibility to be the Regional applicant for the 2020 Census and coordinating the efforts of Census in Fresno, Tulare, Kings, Kern, Inyo and Madera counties. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Jonasson. Elizabeth announced her new staff, Garbrielle Rivas, Content and Community Engagement Specialist.
- Fresno EOC is working with the CA Poverty Task Force to breakdown the silos in place due to the State or Federal regulations and guidelines.
- Fresno EOC will be opening a LGBTQ Center in March 2019.
- Fresno EOC will be providing transportation to our behavioral health clients and our staff will be trained to complete an intake assessment of our clients directly into our behavioral health system.
- Access Plus Capital will be entering the development field and moving beyond small business financing to moving into commercial and development financing.
- Advancing technology has developed in a Blockchain of artificial intelligence in creating and identifying people who they are for greater ease of referrals and joint services for our clients.
- The Innovation Award Nomination video was presented.
- The 2019 Annual Board Retreat will be held March 7-9, 2019 in Monterey, CA.

Please contact Brian if you have any ideas or suggestions to add any training for our commissioners.

- A. Grant Tracker – December 2018
- B. Legislative Report

XII. **COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

Parra wanted to comment regarding the Access Plus Capital section and wanted to confirm if we were offering assistance to those affected by the government shutdown. Angus confirmed assistance is available.

Robles also commented if there was assistance available to our employees. Angus and Nalia confirmed that assistance is available through loans from our Self-Help Federal Credit Union.

Hayes requested new members introduce themselves to the board. Rey Leon, Misty Franklin, Zina Brown-Jenkins, and Amy Arambula introduced themselves. Hayes welcomed each to the board.

Nichols introduced that Gaston Middle School will be hosting their 5th Annual Black History Month on February 1st at 6 p.m. This event supports their Black Student Union Club and the proceeds support college and career activities.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jon Escobar, Food Services, Interim Director, informed commissioners and attendees that if they did not get a chance to see the Food Express bus, to please contact him and he will make arrangements for you to see it. We are also still in the middle of the art contest. It was funded by the community, to feed the community, and the community kids are going to decorate it. Press conference will be scheduled for mid-March.

A statement was read by Julia Dudley Najieb, Board Chair of the African-American Historical & Cultural Museum. There were no comments.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM.

M/S/C –Garabedian/Keyes to enter into Executive Session at 7:13 PM. All in favor.

At this time, the board entered into Executive Session.

M/S/C –Parra/Riojas to exit out of executive session at 7:37 PM. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Angus,
Secretary