



**MINUTES- REGULAR MEETING**  
**Thursday, December 14, 2006 at 8:30 am**  
**Health and Human Services Conference Room**  
**1351 Rocking W Dr.**

**1. Call to order, Establish Quorum, Public Comment**

Commission Chair Griffiths called meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

A legal quorum was present with Commissioners Cash, Helvie, Tordoff, Griffiths, Dickinson and Harrison. Also in attendance: First 5 Inyo staff, Jara Halfen and Karey Poole.

Table opened to public comment. No public comment was received.

**2. Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The Commissioners were asked to review the minutes posted on the Consent Agenda for approval. Minutes to be approved were July 31, 2006; August 17, 2006; September 15, 2006 and October 12, 2006.

Commissioner Griffiths asked about status of the preschool proposal presented by Yvonne Ross during Summer 2006. Jara provided an update that Yvonne Ross is now teaching preschool at Mt. Whitney, and she does not currently plan to pursue opening a preschool in Independence.

*Commissioner Dickinson made a motion to approve all minutes; Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.*

**3. Sponsorship Request program**

There are no requests at this time.

**4. Oral Health Initiative**

Commission reviewed a report for The California Endowment report and current goals for First 5. The grant expires December 1, 2006 with unexpended funding along with Interest and MAA funding remaining. TCE approved the use of this remaining funding to carry contracts thru December 1, 2007.

**5. Inyo County Superintendent of Schools Oral health Contract C03-247**

Commissioners were asked to consider moving funds in the amount of \$4,905 from MAA/Interest funds to fund the Death Valley Oral Health outreach in the Spring.

*Commissioner Cash makes motion to approve, Commissioner Dickinson seconds. Approved unanimously.*

**6. Staff Report**

Jara updated the Commissioners on the current status of the School Readiness RFF and the progress of the budget requests from the partners. She also stated that the last SRQCC meeting went well and that ICOE and IMACA agreed that IMACA would conduct the Wonderful Wednesday/Terrific Tuesday programs in Lone Pine and Big Pine rather than ICOE. ICOE would enhance the Reach Out and Read Program and IMACA is already providing family events in these communities. The IMACA County Wide and School Readiness contracts would be combined into one agreement for the second cycle of school readiness. Jara would have the draft RFF ready to share with the Commission at the January meeting. A follow up meeting was set up on January 26, 2007 at 3pm at the Plaza.

Jara gave an update on the progress of the Foundation development as well as information from the last foundation meeting. At this time it is proposed that HHS Inyo and Mono Counties to pay a consultant to prepare paperwork for California Endowment for request of \$100,000 for the planning stage.

Karey gave an update with the Breakfast with Santa event involving IMACA, Salvation Army as well as First 5, and its success after chaos in the beginning planning stages.

Jara handed out the final copies of the Annual Audit.

Jara updated the Commissioners on the current Small County Augmentation and passed out the most current letter regarding the augmentations from the State.

#### **7. Commissioner Updates**

Commissioner Tordoff informed the Commission about the potential development of a new Paiute Language program and would have Kirsten Osley, program development person, contact Jara Halfen to arrange time to talk to the Commission about it.

Meeting adjourned 10:50 a.m.

***NOTICE: The next Commission Meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Health and Human Services Conference Room at 1351 Rocking W Drive, Bishop, CA***