CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

1. Vice Chair Nancy Au called the meeting to order at 1:46 pm.

   There was no quorum present.

CONSENT CALENDAR: (Items 2 – 3)

2. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes – June 8, 2006

   Due to lack of quorum, no action was taken on this item. It has been continued to the
   September Commission meeting.

3. Approval of Monthly Financials

   Due to lack of quorum, no action was taken on this item. It has been continued to the
   September Commission meeting.
SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

COMMISSION: (Items 4-15)

4. Announcements by the Commission Chair

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5. Executive Director’s Report

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Executive Director Martinez highlighted the following Commission-related issues from her written report:

- **First 5 LA/ KTTV FOX 11 Collaboration:** Throughout the month of June, First 5 LA and KTTV FOX 11 ran four health and education segments in its “Good Beginnings” series. The segments ran on KTTV FOX 11 primarily during LA’s highest rated morning show, Good Day LA and as well as during evening broadcasts and have educated the public about child health issues such as obesity, water safety, prematurity, and early identification of Autism.

- **Children’s Bureau Award:** First 5 LA was honored with the 2006 “Changing the World of Children Award” at the Children’s Bureau Annual Meeting. The Children’s Bureau has been a key First 5 LA partner in several major initiatives, including School Readiness, Family Literacy, and our child abuse and neglect prevention initiative, Partnership for Families, which is now entering its implementation stage.

6. Approval of the Six-Month Contract Extension for Coachman-Moore and Associates for an Amount Not-to-Exceed $380,160

Due to lack of quorum, no action was taken on this item. It has been continued to the September Commission meeting.

7. UPDATE: School Readiness Initiative Sunsetting Process

Director Brabo reported that Commissioner Liaisons for the School Readiness Initiative Sunsetting Process met in June 2006 to review and discuss revised materials. It was agreed that currently there is not sufficient information about the School Readiness Initiative outcomes for the Commission to make an informed decision about the sunsetting or refunding of this initiative. Therefore, the Commissioner Liaisons made the following recommendations:

a. **Continue grantee programs until June 30, 2008 using funds from the current School Readiness Initiative allocation of $67 million.**

In order to continue all operations at the same or close to the same level through June 30, 2008, unexpended funds from the original allocation of $67 million will be utilized. This requires that all unspent funds at the end of each grantee’s 4-year Cycle I grant revert back to the control of First 5 LA.
First 5 LA will be using these remaining Cycle I funds (funds from the original allocation of $67 million) for a fifth year of services provided by grantees. First 5 California will be matching these funds 1:1. The State Commission views this fifth year of operation as the first year of the new 4-year Cycle II funding period. Thus First 5 California will be providing the match for this first year of Cycle 2 with their new allocation of Cycle 2 funds.

First 5 California has approved this plan for proceeding. They have stated that the First 5 LA Commission can utilize unspent Cycle I funds and the Commission does not need to allocate the entire funding for the 4-year Cycle II period prior to the start of Cycle II. However, if the First 5 LA Commission determines that it will refund the initiative for the additional three years of Cycle II, the funding needs to be allocated for each fiscal year prior to the start of that year so that funding is in place before the fiscal year starts.

b. Bring the School Readiness sunsetting decision to the Commission in January 2008, during which time First 5 LA will:

1. Conduct focused outcome studies that would correspond with the 2006-07 cohort of School Readiness Participants

2. Continue to communicate and possibly coordinate with other First 5 LA initiatives.

3. Conduct a feasibility study regarding grantees’ cash match requirements.

The timeline of activities is as follows:

- **July/August 2006**: Apply performance screening criteria to determine which existing Grantees are eligible for continued funding

- **September 2006**: Release the Request For Funds to current eligible grantees

- **January 2007**: First 5 LA Commission Meeting – Consideration of grantees Recommended for refunding

- **February 2007**: Applications due to the State Commission for School Readiness Cycle II funding

- **July 1, 2007**: New funding available to grantees, though the actual date each grantee will begin accessing these funds will vary. As reported at the March 2006 Commission meeting, bridge funding will be provided for three (of 42) grantees that do not have enough grant funding from Cycle 1 to maintain services until July 1, 2007. First 5 California is not providing such bridge funding, so these funds are not eligible for the 1:1 match.

- **January 2008**: First 5 LA Commission Meeting – Sunsetting consideration utilizing the additional information about School Readiness outcomes achieved
8. Public Comment

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:07 pm.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for:

    September 14, 2006 at 1:30 p.m.
    Multi-Purpose Room
    750 N. Alameda Street
    Los Angeles, CA  90012

Meeting minutes recorded by Maria Romero.