**First 5 Trinity County –Celebration Minutes**

**Public Meeting Date: December 9, 2019, 11:00-1:30 p.m. – Trinity Alps Golf Course**

**Attendees: Marcie Cudziol; Letty Garza; Sherri White; Keith Groves; Jennifer Comiskey; Arina Erwin; Lisa Watson (Evaluator); Claire Lindstrand; Alyssa Keyes; Liz Hamilton; Tricia Aberg; Fabio Robles; Connie Smith; Sandra Perez; Kathie Thompson; Anna Carson; Veronica Kelly Albiez; Suzi Kochems**

**Excused: Aaron Rogers**

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| **Agenda Item** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| 1. **Call to Order/Introductions** |  | **Meeting was called to order at 11:15 am by Suzi Kochems-Executive Director**  **Quorum was established**  **All attendees introduced themselves** |
| 1. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters** | No public comment was made | **None** |
| 1. **2nd Annual Celebration Introduction** | The Executive Director thanked everyone for coming to the F5 second annual end of year celebration and invited everyone to partake in discussion about the years’ success and challenges | **None** |
| 1. **The Year in Review** | Alyssa Keyes/Weaverville Parent Nursery School operates the Character Counts Program where 9 families are currently enrolled, but they have the capacity for 30 families. The program focuses on the kindergarten survival handbook and implements Love & Logic practices. They need advertising to get the word out about their program.  Jennifer Comiskey/Quality Counts California through the Trinity County Office of Education. TCOE has had difficulty finding facilitators given our vast geographic region and the need to pass a background check.  Anna Caron/Kindergarten Readiness-advised that social-emotional preparedness is improving amongst our pre-K population.  Sandra Perez/Children’s Garden Projects are operating in Weaverville and Hayfork. Public participation needs improvement. The efforts of the Children’s Garden Project and the County Learning Garden are coordinated now.  Sheri White/Welcome Baby program is a resource for families and is expanding who they serve.  Arina Erwin/Child Passenger Safety Seat program has 3 certified child safety seat technicians and has 2 events planned for this year-one in Weaverville and the other in Hayfork. They conduct car seat checks on WIC Wednesdays and have replaced 14 car seats for moms this year along. Staff have parents conduct pre and post surveys after they watch an educational video.  Veronica Kelly/Weaverville Swim Program conducts swim lessons and water safety for the littles. With F5 one-time funding, the Parks & Rec District is working on putting in a Water Splash Pad at Lowden Park. | **Discussion Only** |
| 1. **Strategic Planning Session** | Program Evaluator, Lisa Watson, reviewed the draft strategic plan and the fiscal stability plan and asked the Commission for input on three options, or a mix thereof, to ensure long-term sustainability of First 5 programs. The Commission wanted additional time to review so any decisions will be held over until the February meeting. | **Discussion Only** |
| 1. **Meeting Adjourned** | Meeting adjourned a 1:41 p.m. | **Next meeting, February 10, 2020** |