

**FIRST 5 KERN**  
KERN COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting  
Monday, September 20, 2021  
Zoom Videoconference Format  
<https://zoom.us/j/94288410088?pwd=eXc1L1NtOTNHRTdldDZ1by9YejhFdz09>

**MINUTES**

COMMITTEE CONVENED @ 8:33 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Committee Commissioners Present: Wood (Chair), Carrigan, Richers  
Committee Commissioner Absent: Judd  
Committee Members Present: Chairez, Irvin, Moser, Nieblas-Valenzuela, Ram, Shaw, Silva,  
and Wood-Slayton  
Committee Members Absent: Apple, Curioso, Erickson, Dumlao, Mena, Pierce, and Starika

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

1) NONE

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2) Chairperson's Report and Report from the Commission
  - Commissioner Wood reported members are eligible to sign up for the First 5 Association of California members intranet. The member's intranet provides a master calendar with a series of trainings, training dates, policy agenda, legislation, county updates, Help Me Grow, Racial Equity Diversity and Inclusion, and a host of informative topics.
- 3) Committee Members
  - Commissioner Richers wanted to go on record that he does not favor the professional services agreement with Dr. Francine Oputa. However, Mr. Richers stated that equity training could be provided free if we must. Commissioner Richers said he would not participate but would stay on to listen.
- 4) Executive Director's Report - NONE

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 5) Minutes of March 15, 2021, and June 21, 2021, meeting – APPROVED  
Motion by Commissioner Richers  
Second by Nieblas-Valenzuela  
All Ayes



PRESENTATION

- 6) Leading for Diversity and Inclusion
  - Dr. Francine Oputa, Oputa, and Associates, affiliated with the National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI), and facilitators Dr. Vicki Taylor and Nwachukwu, gave a PowerPoint presentation on Racial Equity Diversity and Inclusion. Afterward, Dr. Oputa split the committee and staff into groups, posed questions, and wanted each Committee member and staff, upon return, to an open forum to share their discussion with the group.

ADJOURNED @ 10:14 A.M.

- 7) Adjourned to Monday, December 13, 2021, 8:30 A.M., 2724 L Street, Bakersfield