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Executive Director  
**Wendy L. Wendt**

**AGENDA**

**Wednesday, March 25, 2026 3:00-5:30 p.m.**

MEETING LOCATION (IN PERSON with ZOOM OPTION for MEMBERS of the PUBLIC):  
**SLO County Office of Education (SLOCOE) Board Room**  
**3350 Education Drive**  
**San Luis Obispo, CA 93405**

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81583514149>

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**Call to Order**  
*Dawn Ortiz-Legg, Chair*

**ITEM 1 Public Comment – Items not on the agenda:** (*Comments are limited to a maximum of **three** minutes per individual.*) Information

**ITEM 2 CONSENT AGENDA** Action  
*All consent items, unless pulled for specific discussion as a separate item, are acted upon by a single motion and vote without discussion.*

- a) Approve January 28, 2026 Minutes
- b) Approve Resolution 2026-01 re: Authorizing Signatures with Columbia Bank
- c) Approve Engagement Letter with Moss, Levy and Hartzheim for 2025-26 External Audit Services

**ITEM 3 PUBLIC HEARING: First 5 California First 5 CA Annual Report FY 2024-25** as required by the Children and Families First Act. Available online: [First 5 CA 2024-25 Annual Report](#) Information  
*~Wendy Wendt, Executive Director*

**ITEM 4 Recommendation to Approve Two-Year Contract Amendments for FY26-27, FY27-28 (List attached)** Action  
*~Jason Wells, Associate Director*

**ITEM 5 Update on At-Large Representative Commissioner Seats/Nomination Process** Information/  
Action  
*~Wendy Wendt, Executive Director*

**ITEM 6 Presentation: County of SLO ARPA Child Care Funding** Information  
*~Raechelle Bowlay, SLO County Early Care and Education Planning Council Coordinator*

**AGENDA - Continued**  
**March 25, 2026 – 3:00-5:30 p.m.**

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| <b>ITEM 7</b>   | <b>Staff Reports</b>  | Information |
| <b>ITEM 8</b>   | <b>Future Agenda Items</b>  | Information |
| <b>ITEM 9</b>   | <b>Commissioner Comments and Announcements</b>  | Information |
| <b>ITEM 10</b>  | <b>The Commission will adjourn to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1), to consider PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.</b> |             |
| <b>****RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION****</b>              |   |             |
| Report on Closed Session by Legal Counsel (C. Steele) |   |             |
| <b>ITEM 11</b>  | <b>Adjourn</b>  |             |

**Attachments:**

ITEM 2: Consent Agenda

- a) January 28, 2026 Minutes
- b) Staff Memo and Resolution 2026-01
- c) Staff Memo and Agreement – Moss Levy Hartzheim Auditor Services FY25-26

ITEM 3: First 5 CA Annual Report FY 2024-25 (Attached Separately). For online access, go to:  
[First 5 California 2024-25 Annual Report](#)

ITEM 4: Staff Memo re: Contract Amendments (Amendments attached separately)

ITEM 5: Staff Memo re: At-Large Commissioner Nomination Process

ITEM 6: Staff Memo re: ARPA Child Care Funding

ITEM 10: Legal Counsel Memo re: Executive Director Performance Evaluation

*Next First 5 San Luis Obispo County Commission Meeting  
 Wednesday, May 27, 2026, 3:00-5:30 p.m.  
 SLOCOE Board Room*

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**ITEM 4: Recommended Contract Amendments for  
FY26-27 through FY27-28**

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Program</b>
Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County	Help Me Grow
Carsel Consulting Group	Health Access Training Project
County of San Luis Obispo (Public Health)	BABES Lactation
County of San Luis Obispo (Public Health)	Oral Health Program Manager
LINK Family Resource Center	SAFE Support for 0-5 Families
Pregnancy and Parenting Support of San Luis Obispo County	Perinatal Mental Health Support and Counseling
Optometric Care Associates	Early Childhood Vision Screening
South County Youth Coalition	Parent Learning Pods
Tolosa Children’s Dental Center	Preventive Oral Health Services