

ATTACHMENT #1



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Phoenix South Regional Partnership Council Meeting February 12, 2015

AGENDA ITEM	Approval of Meeting Minutes
BACKGROUND	The attached minutes are from the: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Phoenix South Regional Council Regular Meeting held on January 8, 2015 at City of Phoenix, Travis L. Williams Family Services Center, 4732 S. Central Ave., Phoenix, Arizona 85040.
RECOMMENDATION	The Regional Director presents these minutes for the Regional Council's review and possible approval.



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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board Phoenix South Regional Partnership Council

Meeting Minutes – January 8, 2015

Welcome, Introductions, and Call to Order

Chair Karen Stewart called to order the Phoenix South Regional Partnership Council Regular Meeting at approximately **9:09 a.m.** The meeting was held at City of Phoenix, Travis L. Williams Family Services Center, 4732 South Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85040. Introductions were held and attendees welcomed.

Members PRESENT

Chair Karen Stewart

Dr. Patty Merk

Elizabeth McNamee

Dr. Bill Johnson

Angie Rodgers

Jeremy Wood

Kim Winzer (*left meeting at 10:00 a.m. returned at 10:25 a.m.*)

Ginger Ward (*arrived at 9:21 a.m.*)

Jasmine Sanchez (*joined by teleconference at 10:10 a.m.*)

Members ABSENT

Vice Chair Jessica Jarvi

Kresta Horn

Call to the Public

No one requested to speak under this item.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chair Stewart called for a motion to approve the December 11, 2014 Regular Council Meeting minutes. Member Merk identified her Conflict of Interest on the Family Resource Strategy and asked that clarification or additional detail be added regarding the funds available. The Council held a brief discussion and agreed the December 11, 2014 minutes should include an additional note, and should read:

Family Resource Centers

Member Sanchez moved to approve the Family Resource Centers strategy for the amount of \$1.2 million to serve 8,800 families and to be implemented through a grant renewal for the Pendergast FRC and RFGA for the remaining funds. Member Horn seconded.

Motion carried. **(The amount available through RFGA will be determined once the renewal amount is established.)**

Chair Stewart called for a motion to approve minutes as amended. Member Merk made the motion, and Member Rodgers seconded. Motion carried.

FY16 Strategy Implementation

Access to Healthy Food/Nutrition Strategy Update

Council Members Rodgers, Merk and McNamee updated the Council on the recent conversation that took place related to the Access to Healthy Food/Nutrition Strategy. The group worked to identify goals and outcomes for this new work effort, along with minimum requirements and/or skills needed from an individual or agency applying for the RFGA. The information collected thus far will inform a Scope of Work and RFGA to be released around April 1st.

Overview of the RFGA Schedule and Process

Director Hallett provided a schedule of the planned First Things First RFGA release dates, Council Member RFGA Reviewer training, and updated anticipated RFGA Review Committee meeting dates. She solicited volunteers from the Council membership. The following members volunteered for the following strategies:

Developmental and Sensory Screening	-	Member Ward
Family, Friends and Neighbors	-	Member Winzer
Inclusion of Children with Special Needs	-	Member Johnson
Family Resource Centers	-	Member Ward Member Rodgers Member Winzer
Oral Health	-	Member Merk Member Rodgers Member Winzer Member Ward (alternate)
Parenting Education	-	Member Rodgers Member Winzer Member Wood
Care Coordination/Medical Home	-	Member Merk Member Stewart
Court Teams	-	Member Ward Member Merk Member Stewart
Home Visitation	-	Member Stewart Member Wood
Home Visitation Coordination and Referral	-	Member Wood
Parenting Outreach and Awareness	-	Member Winzer Member Wood
Professional Development for Early Childhood Professionals	-	Member Ward Member Merk
Nutrition/Obesity/Physical Activity	-	Member Winzer Member Merk Member Stewart Member Johnson (alternate)

FY15 Grantee Review

Director Hallett reviewed the Quarter 1 Data and Financial Reports for all grants within the Phoenix South region. She offered explanations or considerations for those grantees that are either high or low comparatively in their achievement of TSUs or expenditures.

Community Outreach Presentation

Community Outreach Coordinators Rachel Egboro, Susana Ibarra, and Isela Blanc gave a presentation to the Council sharing their accomplishments within the Phoenix South region and asked how they can further support the Council. Brainstorming occurred with Council Members offering many ideas for outreach and marketing of the early childhood messages.

Regional Director's Update

Director Hallett reminded the Council that the Phoenix South Funding Plan presentation will be on January 20, 2015 at the First Things First Board Room. She also shared a document that describes the purpose and objectives of the newly established Quality First Advisory Sub-Committee. Director Hallett also reminded the Council of the Webinar trainings related to Statewide and Signature Strategies, Communications and Public Affairs, and Research and Evaluation that are being offered to all Council Members during January and February.

Council Member Announcements

Member McNamee announced that she is retiring at the end of this month and will also be resigning from her Philanthropy seat on the Phoenix South Council.

Member Ward announced that Southwest Human Development received a national Early Head Start Child Care Partnerships grant and UMOM is one of their partners.

Next Meeting

The next Regular Council meeting will be held **Thursday, February 12, 2015, 9:00 a.m.** at the **Children's Museum of Phoenix, 215 North 7th Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85034.**

Adjournment

Chair Stewart adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

On this 12th day of February, 2015

ARIZONA EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT & HEALTH BOARD

Phoenix South Regional Partnership Council



Karen Stewart, Chair

ATTACHMENT #2



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AGENDA ITEM	Unfunded Public Policy and Advocacy Approach Conversation
BACKGROUND	This agenda item reflects the Phoenix South RPC's first full conversation with all Council membership. Sam Leyvas, CEO from First Things First will be present as a resource to the Council. The Council will then begin some initial planning around this regional work effort.
RECOMMENDATION	No recommendations at this time.

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Unfunded Approaches**

Regional Priority Need	System Building Approach	Outcome to Achieve	Role of Regional Council	Current and Potential System Partners to Engage	Timeline
<p>Influence public policy to increase funding for access to quality programs serving children birth to five.</p>	<p>Context <i>Changing the political environment that surrounds the system and affects its success</i></p> <p>Public Policy and Advocacy FTF is one of several partners having influence around the development of an effective and integrated early childhood system. The Regional Council will take an active role to better understand and connect with existing key stakeholders, partners and resources to build a more comprehensive and sustainable system.</p>	<p>Context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy changes that expand or enhance programs • Funding streams that are more flexible across programs • Public engagement or mobilization • New advocates or champions • New knowledge and perspectives 	<p>Leader – Regional Council Members and Regional Director will bring key policy stakeholders and partners together to build awareness and action steps around increasing support for early childhood education, care and well-being.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy organizations (CAA, ACCA, AHSA, ASBA) • Representatives from various state agencies • State, municipal and local policy makers • Early childhood leaders in the areas of Early Learning, Health and Family Supports • Early childhood organization Board of Directors • Community Advisory Groups • AZ Town Hall • Business, faith, and philanthropic leaders • Educational community, pre-school to college • Local providers and families 	<p>July 2015 to June 2016</p>