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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

Navajo/Apache Regional Partnership Council Meeting Meeting Minutes

A Regular Meeting, open to the public, was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at Summit Healthcare Regional Medical Center, 2200 Show Low Lake Road, Show Low Arizona, 85901.

Welcome/Introductions/Call to Order

Chair Mannis welcomed the Members and called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. Members attending were Chair Mannis, Vice Chair Meyer, Claude Endfield, Kirk Grugel, Jeffrey Northup, Betsy Peck and Cathy Taylor. Members absent were Kristalei Baskins and Nestor Montoya.

Member Report and Updates

Chair Mannis asked the members if they had any brief updates for the Regional Council. Member Endfield reported that FTF Professional REWARD\$ has opened their application period. She asked that anyone who is working within Quality First centers, or Quality First wait-list centers, that is interested in applying should get their applications in as soon as possible; the funds are expected to go quickly.

Regional Director Dobler-Allen announced that Member Margie Tapia has stepped down from her seat on the Regional Council due to family health issues. She said that the Child Care Provider seat that Margie held is one that expires in June 2014 and encouraged everyone to promote applications for this, or one of the other seats expiring in June 2014.

Call to the Public

No Calls to the Public were received.

Disclosure of Conflicts

There were no Conflicts of Interest disclosed.

Presentation, Discussion and Approval of January 8, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

Chair Mannis asked for a motion to approve the January Meeting Minutes. Member Meyer moved to accept the January 8, 2014, Regular Meeting Minutes as written. Member Northup seconded. Motion passed.

Community Based Professional Development for Early Care and Education Healthcare Professionals Project Status Report

Chair Mannis introduced Becky Benda-Dodd and DeAnn Davies from Summit Healthcare Regional and turned the agenda item over to them to present their status report for the Community Based Professional Development for Early Care and Education Professionals strategy. Ms. Davies provided an overview of the programs' implementation with a power point. She included a summary of getting the program started up both on the Summit Healthcare Regional side, as well as learning about and getting set up on the First Things First side. She also provided a summary of the services that will be offered through a partnership with First Children's Finance from Minnesota. Ms. Benda-Dodd explained the Program for Infant/Toddler Care (PITC) and how it will be used to help provide guidance for Infant/Toddler caregivers who are working with the program.

Strategic Planning Overview

Regional Director Dobler-Allen provided the Regional Council with a planning calendar and financial guide to use as a visual reference for beginning the conversation the Regional Council will be having over the next 10 months in formulating their strategic plan for State Fiscal Years 2016-18. She said that more information about the revenue the Regional Council will have available for their planning will be coming as the FTF State Board takes fiscal policy into consideration during their April and August 2014 meetings.

Regional Director's Report

School Readiness Indicator #10 update

Regional Director Dobler-Allen reminded the Regional Council that although they did not prioritize School Readiness Indicator #10, she wanted them to have the information gathered on a statewide basis. This information could be useful in identifying areas of need. She had previously given information on School Readiness Indicator #7, which the Regional Council also did not prioritize. She said that when data from the selected School Readiness Indicators is made available, it will be included on the agenda for discussion and a public forum regarding the benchmark will be scheduled. She said that there should be some good data specific to this region coming out of the surveys that Applied Survey Research has done, as well as through the Strategic Planning Community survey currently in the field.

Monthly Report

Regional Director Dobler-Allen presented a report of her activities for January through March. She said she is back up to speed from being on leave, and has attended several meetings over the last month. She highlighted that she continues to sit on the BUILD AZ Professional Development workgroup. She also added that she has been put on the FTF Care Coordination Sub-Committee and has also been asked to be on the Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting workgroup because this region has very functional but still informal working relationships with the people who do this work, and she will be presenting to a Statewide cross-referral workgroup meeting on this subject on February 20, 2014.

Financial Reports

Regional Director Dobler-Allen presented the monthly financial reports. The only item she called to the Regional Council's attention is the Oral Health strategy, they have pending expenditures that once posted will reflect the work they have been doing the last couple months.

Update on Regional Partnership Council Recruitment

Regional Director Dobler-Allen did not add anything beyond what she reported earlier in the meeting.

Community Outreach Report

Regional Director Dobler-Allen presented the Community Outreach Report that Michelle Pansulla, Community Outreach Coordinator provided. She was not able to present in person as she was in Winslow presenting "The Write Way" training. Regional Director Dobler-Allen also mentioned that the Heber Community Library has provided FTF with display space for the month of April in support of Week of the Young Child.

Regional Director Dobler-Allen also mentioned that she is on the planning committee for the Victim's Rights Symposium on Friday, April 11, 2014 in Snowflake at Northland Pioneer College.

General Discussion

Chair Mannis asked for general discussion. Member Grugel reported that there will be a Child Abuse Prevention Conference in March; the flyer will be coming out soon. He also mentioned that there will be Continuing Education Credits available for both the conference and the Victim's Rights Symposium on April 11, 2014.

Adjourn – next meeting scheduled for March 12, 2014 in Springerville

Chair Mannis asked for a motion to adjourn, Member Grugel moved to adjourn, Member Taylor seconded, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

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Kalman Mannis, Chair



Kate Dobler-Allen, Regional Director