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White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council

Draft Minutes

Call to Order and Roll Call
The Regular meeting of the First Things First White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council was held on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., at ABC Day Care, 422 South 2nd Avenue, Whiteriver, Arizona 85941.

Chair Endfield called the meeting to order at approximately 2:39 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Members Present:
Shine Burnette, Laurel Endfield, Ranelda Hastings, Maura Riesop, Dawnafe Whitesinger and Kathy Wynn

Members Absent: C. Bradley Brock and Velma Kaytoggy

Others Present:
Krista Beazley, Kate Dobler-Allen, Mona Eleando, Claude Endfield, Paula Hoyt, Sue Logsdon, Anthony Parker, Beverly Russell, Maureen Theobald, Virginia Turner, Mary Tyler, Peggy Wojtal and Kim Taylor

Call to the Public
None

Disclosure of Conflicts
None

Discussion and Possible Approval of February 7, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes
Vice Chair Whitesinger moved that the February 7, 2012 White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council Regular Meeting minutes be approved as presented. Member Wynn seconded; the motion passed 6:0:0.

White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council State Fiscal Year 2013 Regional Allocation Check Presentation
Sr. Director, Tribal Affairs Beverly Russell, spoke on behalf of Chief Executive Officer Rhian Evans Allvin and thanked the members as well as the grantees for their work in the community. Sr. Director Russell then presented a symbolic check in the amount of $698,834, which represents the allocation for this Region for State Fiscal Year 2013.

Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action on State Fiscal Year 2012 Reach Out and Read Strategy
Regional Director Dobler-Allen informed the members that the Reach Out and Read Strategy will encompass several regions. The Request for Grant Application for this strategy will be released on April 1, 2012 and will go into effect August 1, 2012. Because this would cause a one-month lapse of services for July 2012, a rollover can be offered.

After discussion, Member Burnette moved to direct the First Things First staff to work with the current contact for the Reach Out and Read strategy to discuss the one-month rollover option for July 1, 2012 through July 31, 2012. Should the Grantee agree to the rollover option, we approve the continuation of the existing services through July 31, 2012 using unexpended funds remaining in the State Fiscal Year 2012 contract award. Member Riesop seconded; the motion passed 6:0:0.

Presentation, Discussion and Possible Approval of Native Language Preservation Strategy for State Fiscal Year 2013
Regional Director Beazley presented the members with a draft strategy. After discussion, the members directed staff to make revisions to the strategy and bring it to the next meeting.

Presentation, Discussion and Possible Approval of Community Awareness Line Item Budget for State Fiscal Year 2013

Regional Director Beazley presented the draft budget and shared a list of upcoming community events. After discussion, Vice Chair Whitesinger moved that the Community Awareness Line Item Budget for State Fiscal Year 2013 be approved as presented by staff. Member Wynn seconded; the motion passed 6:0:0**Program Reports, State Fiscal Year 2012**

a. Nalwod Father's Project: Anthony Parker, Coordinator, Johns Hopkins, informed the members that 18 men just completed a session from a group of 28 men. Mr. Parker reviewed the times they met and what types of programs were held. Vice Chair Whitesinger expressed deep gratitude for Mr. Parker's work with the Fathers.

b. Parent Coaching: Kim Taylor, Public Health Nurse, Indian Health Services, presented the documents, activities and chartings related to the parent coaching program. **Oral Health and Dental Varnish:** Sue Logsdon, Navajo County Public Health, shared that all schools in Whiteriver have received fluoride varnishes and oral health, with the exception of Head Start. **d. Apache Families First:** Mona Eleando, Northland Pioneer College, presented a handout of the status of this program. Four students will be honored at the Completers' Ceremony on March 8, 2012. The program is on track to meet the goal of 33 completers by the end of State Fiscal Year 2012.

Regional Director's Report

a. Regional Director's Schedule: Regional Director Beazley reviewed the meetings she's attended since the last Regional Partnership Council meeting, as well as upcoming meetings/events.

b. Financial Reports: Regional Director Beazley reviewed the Funding Plan Summary and the Contract Detail reports.

c. Regional Partnership Council Member Recruitment Update: Two community members completed applications. Members Brock and Riesop will not be reapplying. Regional Director Beazley is recruiting for the Philanthropy seat. **d. Interagency/Grantee Coordination Meeting:** Regional Director Beazley is considering holding these meetings quarterly and suggested the last Wednesday of the month, beginning April 25, 2012.

Discussion and Possible Approval of the Next Three Regional Partnership Council Meetings (April, May and June)

After discussion, Member Burnette moved that the next three meeting dates, times and locations be as follows:

Tuesday, April 3, 2012, 3:00 p.m., to be held at ABC Day Care, Whiteriver, Arizona
Tuesday, May 1, 2012, 3:00 p.m., to be held at ABC Day Care, Whiteriver, Arizona
Tuesday, June 5, 2012, 3:00 p.m., to be held at ABC Day Care, Whiteriver, Arizona

Member Wynn seconded; the motion passed 6:0:0.

General Discussion

Chair Endfield is seeking presenters for the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Conference to be held on March 22, 2012. Sr. Director Russell shared that the First Things First State Board Meeting will be held on April 2 and 3, 2012, which will include a Tribal Symposium. Sr. Director Russell also shared there are eight regions now funding the Native Language Preservation strategy. Administrative Assistant Theobald shared that she will be leaving First Things First on March 16, 2012 to begin retirement and thanked the members and grantees for their dedicated efforts.

Adjournment

The next meeting of the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council will be held at 3:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at ABC Day Care, 422 South 2nd Avenue, Whiteriver, Arizona 85941. There being no further business, Chair Endfield adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:35 p.m.

Laurel Endfield, Chair

Krista Beazley, Regional Director