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Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board
La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

A special meeting of the La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council was held on March 20, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at the First Things First Office, 1979 North McCulloch Boulevard, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86403.

Chairman Frei called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Administrative Assistant Sandy Smith read a roll call of council members in attendance. Chairman Frei stated that this meeting met all Open Meeting Law requirements for posting; however, it was not posted to the First Things First website due to internet issues until late yesterday morning. The notice was posted at the physical location of the meeting at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting time.

Members Present
Riley Frei, Jose Garcia, Terri Holloway, Nancy Mongeau, Vijette Saari, Debra Weger and Howard Weiske.

Members Absent
Alisa Burroughs, Lenore Knudtson, Betsy Lewis, and Catie Sondrol.

Call to the Public

There were no responses to the Call to the Public.

Possible Approval of a Grant Agreement for the Expansion: Increase slots and/or capital expense strategy

Senior Director Gary Arnold explained the need for this additional step to move forward on the Council's intent to expand the pre-K strategy into Salome and Quartzsite that was discussed at the February 28, 2013 meeting. The actual scope of work for expansion falls outside the existing agreement with the Arizona Department of Education, so a new grant agreement for FY 2013 in the amount of $85,000 was written that will begin May 1, 2013. Vice Chair Mongeau requested clarification of the dollar amount, as well as the $264,300 for FY 2014. Senior Director Arnold described how the grant would address the program needs in Salome and Quartzsite, and noted that it would not be eligible for renewal beyond FY 2014. Senior Director Arnold has discussed this extensively with Alma Quintana of the Arizona Department of Education and advised that they are ready to move forward if this agreement is approved. These estimated dollar amounts are in line with other pre-K startups the Council has funded in the past. Member Holloway made a motion to approve the grant agreement as presented. Member Garcia seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

Vice Chair Mongeau made a motion to adjourn at 10:17 a.m. Member Saari seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

SUBMITTED BY:

Sandy Smith

Sandy Smith, Administrative Assistant

APPROVED BY:

Riley Frei, Chair