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PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE

Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board

La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council

Pursuant to A.R.S. §8-1194(A) and A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the First Things First - Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board, the La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council, and to the general public that the Council will hold a **Regular meeting open to the public on Thursday, March 24, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at the Bullhead City Elementary School District Board Room, located at 1004 Hancock Road, Bullhead City, Arizona, 86442.** Some members of the Regional Council may elect to attend telephonically.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A) (1), § 38-431.03(A) (2) and A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A) (3) the Regional Council may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss personnel items, records exempt from public inspection and/or to obtain legal advice on any item on this agenda.

The Council may hear items on the agenda out of order. The Council may discuss, consider, or take action regarding any item on the agenda. The Council may elect to solicit public comment on certain agenda items.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1. Call to Order/Welcome/Introduction of Guests** **Riley Frei, Chair**
- 2. Call to the Public** **Riley Frei, Chair**
This time is for the public to comment. Members of the Council may not discuss or take legal action regarding matters that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.
- 3. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest** **Riley Frei, Chair**
Members will address potential conflicts of interest regarding items on this agenda.
- 4. Approval of Minutes from February 24, 2011 Regional Council Meeting (Attachment 1)** **Riley Frei, Chair**
- 5. Discussion & Possible Action to Change Pre-Kindergarten Match Requirement (Attachment 2)** **Merritt Beckett, Regional Director**
- 6. Discussion & Possible Action on Needs and Assets Vendor Selection** **Merritt Beckett, Regional Director**
- 7. First Things First Funds at Work (Grantee Presentations)**
 - A. Early Learning**
 - i. Association for Supportive Child Care, Community-Based Training and Access to Care – Margaret Taylor
 - ii. Child and Family Resources, Quality First – Gaye Lynn Fisher
 - iii. Association for Supportive Child Care, T.E.A.C.H. – Natasha Lopez
 - iv. Mohave Valley Elementary School District, Pre-Kindergarten Expansion – Whitney Crow
 - B. Family Support**
 - i. Child and Family Resources, Healthy Families – Pauline Haas-Vaughn
 - ii. Interagency Council, Healthy Families and Fatherhood Now – Shelley Fischer

- iii. Arizona's Children Association, Bright Start – CeCe Overly
- iv. Mohave County Superior Court, Infant Toddler Mental Health Team – Tonya Ford

C. Health

- i. Milemarkers Therapy, K.I.D.S. Fair – Colleen McShea
- ii. River Cities Community Clinic, Child Health Program – Francine Collier
- iii. Mohave County Department of Public Health, Child Care Health Consultation – Jacquelyn Kinard

8. Director Report & Possible Discussion

Merritt Beckett, Regional Director

- A. Champion for Young Children Award Selection
- B. Update on Week of the Young Child (April 10-16, 2011)
- C. Chair/Vice-Chair Leadership Forum – Thursday, March 31, 2011
- D. Community Outreach Forum – Monday, April 4, 2011 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Arizona Western College located at 601 W. 11th Street, Room #111 in Parker, AZ 85344.

9. Regional Council Member Updates & Announcements

Council Members

10. Next Meeting: The next meeting is at 9:30am on Thursday, April 28, 2011 at the Lake Havasu Unified School District Board Room located at 2200 Havasupai Blvd., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403.

11. Adjourn

Riley Frei, Chair

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Dated this 17th day of March 2011

La Paz/Mohave Regional Partnership Council



Merritt Beckett, Regional Director