



FIRST THINGS FIRST

Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

Draft Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2011 – Day One
First Things First Board Meeting

Call to Order

The Regular meeting of the First Things First – Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board was held on January 24, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. and January 25, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the First Things First Office, 4000 North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona 85012

Chair Lynn called the meeting to order at approximately 2:05 p.m.

Members Present:

Steve Lynn, Vivian Saunders, Nadine Mathis Basha, Gayle Burns, Dr. Pamela Powell, and Cecil Patterson

Members Absent:

Dr. Eugene Thompson

Ex-Officio Members Present:

John Huppenthal, Brad Willis and Mary Ellen Cunningham

Chairman Lynn introduced the Boards newest members Superintendent of Public Instruction, John Huppenthal.

Conflict of Interest

Chairman Lynn asked the Board members if there were conflicts of interest regarding items on this agenda. There were none.

Call to the Public

Dr. Tim Jordan proposed to the Board that they consider private insurance for kids in lieu of Kids Care.

Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items 4B was from the consent agenda for discussion.

A motion was made by Member Patterson to approve the consent agenda on items 4A,4C, 4D, 4E, 4F, 4G, 4H, 4I and 4J, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the Cost of Quality contract amount be increased by \$20,000 to a total of \$50,000, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha to approve consent agenda items 4B as amended, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Board Member Report/Update

Member Saunders congratulated Chairman Lynn for recently being honored by the American/Israel Friendship League. Chairman Lynn received a 2,000 year-old oil lamp from the Holy Land in appreciation for his service.

Member Cunningham announced that, in the wake of this month's tragedy in Tucson, the Arizona Department of Health Service's Behavioral Disaster Team has posted a diagnostic matrix on their website. Member Cunningham also reminded the Board the last week of April is National Infant Immunization Week. The focus this year will be protecting infants from pertussis. Member Cunningham also announced that the Department of Health Services has become a sponsor for Baby Steps for Baby Friendly, an organizational initiative to encourage breast feeding.

Dr. Pamela Powell reminded the Board of the National Association for the Education of Young Children's *Week of the Young Child*, an annual celebration of children, April 10–16.

Executive Director's Report

Rhian Evans Allvin, Executive Director reported to the Board that the Board committees are moving forward and praised the diversity of each committee. Board committees help advise and monitor First Things First strategies in Program, Finance, Communications and Government Affairs. The committee's members include Board members, Regional Council members and community leaders. In January, the Finance Committee met for the first time, as well as sub-committees in various Program areas, including Early Learning, Health and Family Support. Director Allvin reminded Board members that Governor Jan Brewer's administration released its budget recommendation on January 14. Director Allvin stated that there were several note-worthy items in the budget that First Things First will monitor, including: Child care subsidies are held harmless in FY2011 and FY2012.

Discussion and Possible Approval of RFGA Recommendations

A motion was made by Member Patterson that the Board approve the RFGA recommendations as presented, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

Discussion and Possible Appointment of Regional Council Applicants

A motion was made by Member Burns that the Board approve the appointment of Regional Council applicants as presented, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Regional Funding Plans

Michelle Katona, Deputy Director for Regions presented to the Board a regional funding plan overview recognizing regional councils and staff, giving a brief overview of the funding plans, strategies in development and program evaluation.

Coconino

Julianne Hartzel, Chair for the Coconino Phoenix Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Coconino Regional Funding Plan, Ellen Majure, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Hartzel's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Coconino Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Navajo Nation

Paul Hale, Chair for the Navajo Nation Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Navajo Nation Regional Funding Plan, Melissa Begay, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Hale's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Navajo Nation Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Burns. Motion carried.

White Mountain Apache Tribe

Dawnafe Whitesinger, Vice Chair for the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Funding Plan, Rochelle Lacapa, Regional Coordinator supported Vice Chair Whitesinger's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

Navajo Apache

Leslie Meyer, Vice Chair for the Navajo Apache Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Navajo Apache Regional Funding Plan, Kate Dobler-Allen, Regional Coordinator supported Vice Chair Meyer's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Navajo Apache Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

Southeast Maricopa

Dale Fisher, Council Member for the Southeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Southeast Maricopa Regional Funding Plan, Wendy Sabatini, Regional Manager supported Council Member Fisher's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Southeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Central Maricopa

Andrea Colby, Chair and Maureen Duane, Vice Chair for the Central Maricopa Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Central Maricopa Regional Funding Plan, Joanne Floth, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Colby and Vice Chair Duane's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Central Maricopa Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Northeast Maricopa

Amandina Brown, Council Member for the Northeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Northeast Maricopa Regional Funding Plan, Eman Yarrow, Regional Coordinator supported Council Member Brown's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Northeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

Northwest Maricopa

Christina Lyons, Regional Coordinator for the Northwest Maricopa Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Northwest Maricopa Regional Funding Plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Northwest Maricopa Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Southwest Maricopa

Dr. Carlian Dawson, Vice Chair for the Southwest Maricopa Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Southwest Maricopa Regional Funding Plan, Eric Santiago, Regional Coordinator supported Vice Chair Dawson's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Southwest Maricopa Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Recess

January 24, 2011 Chair Lynn recessed the meeting at approximately 5:13 p.m.

January 25, 2011 – Day Two
First Things First Board Meeting

Resume

January 25, 2011 Chair Lynn resumed the meeting at approximately 8:05 a.m.

Roll was called and the following members were in attendance:

Members Present:

Steve Lynn, Vivian Saunders, Nadine Mathis Basha, Gayle Burns, Dr. Pamela Powell, and Cecil Patterson

Members Absent:

Dr. Eugene Thompson

Ex-Officio Members Present:

John Huppenthal, Brad Willis and Mary Ellen Cunningham

(Cont.) Discussion and Possible Approval of Regional Funding Plans

Gila River Indian Community

Priscilla Foote, Chair for the Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Gila River Indian Community Regional Funding Plan, Cathy Thornton, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Foote's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community

Toni Harvier, Chair for the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Regional Funding Plan, Darlene Vinarskai, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Harvier's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

North Phoenix

Sandra Dowling, Council Member of the North Phoenix Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the North Phoenix Regional Funding Plan, Michelle Katona, Deputy Director for Regions supported Member Dowling's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the North Phoenix Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Central Phoenix

Gifford Loda, Chair for the Central Phoenix Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Central Phoenix Regional Funding Plan, Brooke Toles-Johnson, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Loda's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Central Phoenix Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

South Phoenix

Robert Donofrio, Chair for the South Phoenix Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the South Phoenix Regional Funding Plan, Jonathon Gonzales, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Donofrio's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the South Phoenix Regional Partnership Council be approved with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin and; that the Regional Council a representative meet with the Assistant Director of Evaluation to develop a specific program evaluation model for the region and present to the Executive Director for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Yavapai

Anne Babinsky Rawlings, Chair for the Yavapai Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Yavapai Regional Funding Plan, Lori Deutsch, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Babinsky Rawlings's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Yavapai Regional Partnership Council be approved as presented, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

Pinal

Christina Jenkins, Chair for the Pinal Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Pinal Regional Funding Plan, Aimee Kempton-Sarosi, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Jenkins review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Pinal Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Graham Greenlee

Cindy Alva, Vice Chair for the Graham Greenlee Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Graham Greenlee Regional Funding Plan, Shari Elkins, Regional Coordinator supported Vice Chair Alva's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Graham Greenlee Regional Partnership Council be approved as presented, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

San Carlos Apache

David Reed, Vice Chair for the San Carlos Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the San Carlos Regional Funding Plan, Marla Chamberlain, Regional Manager supported Vice Chair Reed's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the San Carlos Regional Partnership Council be approved as presented, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

Gila

Sue Yale, Chair for the Gila Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Gila Regional Funding Plan, Hazel Chandler, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Yale's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Gila Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

Cochise

Michael Vetter, Vice Chair for the Cochise Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Cochise Regional Funding Plan, Melissa Avant, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Jenkins review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Cochise Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Hualapai

Sandra Irwin, Chair for the Hualapai Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Hualapai Regional Funding Plan, Marla Chamberlain, Regional Manager supported Chair Irwin's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Hualapai Regional Partnership Council be approved as presented, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

LaPaz Mohave

Riley Frei, Chair for the LaPaz Mohave Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the LaPaz Mohave Regional Funding Plan, Merritt Beckett, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Jenkins review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the LaPaz Mohave Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Saunders. Motion carried.

Colorado River Indian Tribes

Lanna Flood, Regional Coordinator for the Colorado River Indian Tribes Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Colorado River Indian Tribes Regional Funding Plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Colorado River Indian Tribes Regional Partnership Council be approved as presented, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Yuma

Francisco Vargas, Chair for the Yuma Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Yuma Regional Funding Plan, Carmen Hurtado, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Vargas's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Yuma Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Cocopah

Ashley Pascual, Regional Coordinator for the Cocopah Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Cocopah Regional Funding Plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Cocopah Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

Santa Cruz

Danna Gallardo, Chair for the Santa Cruz Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Santa Cruz Regional Funding Plan, Erin Lyons, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Gallardo's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Santa Cruz Regional Partnership Council be approved with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin and; that the Regional Council a representative meet with the Assistant Director of Evaluation to develop a specific program evaluation model for the region and present to the Executive Director for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Pascua Yaqui

Cecelia Garcia, Chair for the Pascua Yaqui Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Pascua Yaqui Regional Funding Plan, Tiburcia Yocupicio-Chambers, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Garcia's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Pascua Yaqui Regional Partnership Council be approved as presented, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Tohono O'odham Nation

Louis Johnson, Chair for the Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Funding Plan, Travis LeDuc, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Johnson's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Burns. Motion carried.

South Pima

Anthony Bruno, Chair for the South Pima Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the South Pima Regional Funding Plan, Eleanor Droegemeier, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Bruno's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the South Pima Regional Partnership Council be approved; with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Powell. Motion carried.

Central Pima

Peg Harmon, Chair for the Central Pima Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the Central Pima Regional Funding Plan, Jessica Brisson, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Harmon's review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the Central Pima Regional Partnership Council be approved with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin and; that the Regional Council a representative meet with the Assistant Director of Evaluation to develop a specific program evaluation model for the region and present to the Executive Director for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

North Pima

Thomas Collins, Chair for the North Pima Regional Partnership Council, presented to the Board an overview of the North Pima Regional Funding Plan, Erin Lyons, Regional Coordinator supported Chair Collins review of the funding plan.

A motion was made by Member Mathis Basha that the funding plan recommendations by the North Pima Regional Partnership Council be approved with the exception that the Regional Council submits a detailed budget to the Executive Director for the First Things First directed Community Awareness Strategy for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin and; that the Regional Council a representative meet with the Assistant Director of Evaluation to develop a specific program evaluation model for the region and present to the Executive Director for approval before implementation of the strategy can begin, seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

General Discussion

There was no general discussion.

A motion was made by Member Patterson to move into Executive Session at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Legal Advice Related to Financial Discussions with the Governor and Legislature (Executive Session)

Board Review of Executive Director Title and Position Description (Executive Session)

A motion was made by Member Burns to return to Regular Session at approximately 12:30 p.m., seconded by Member Patterson. Motion carried.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on April 4-5, 2011 in Show Low, Arizona.

Adjourn

There being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:32 p.m.

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