



Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Regional Partnership Council



Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health
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Meeting Minutes May 15, 2012 Regional Council Meeting

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community was held on May 15, 2012. The meeting was held at the Two Waters Building A, 10061 East Osborn Road, Wi:Hom Room A307, Scottsdale, AZ 85256.

The meeting was called to order by Regional Council Member Washington at approximately 11:45 a.m.

Members Present

Chair Toni Havier, Vice Chair Chris McIntier, Martina Ashley, Joyce Helmuth, Virginia Loring, Frances Kaplan, and Ron Ransom

Members Absent

Caroline Sekaquaptewa, Rene Murphy, Lance Silverhorn, and Deana Washington

Members of the Public

2 members of the public attended.

Invocation

Council Member Loring gave the invocation.

Call to the Public

None

Approval of Consent Agenda

Vice Chair McIntier moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Helmuth seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

FY2013 Government-to-Government Agreements

Prior to any actions taking place at today’s meeting, Chair Havier asked all Council members to declare any conflict which they might have. All members of the Council with the exception of Council Member Loring stated that they have a conflict in that they work for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. At this time, Chair Havier invoked the Rule Impossibility pursuant to Rule 8.8 of the Rules of Open Meeting Law.

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that both of the government-to-government contracts were in their third year, and a new government-to-government agreement must be approved by the Regional Partnership Council and First Things First Board. She further stated that the Pre-Kindergarten strategy



continues to be successful. She stated that the amount of the contract will be reduced in order to align with the child per slot rate. Therefore, the amount of the agreement will be \$165,000 instead of \$200,000.

Council Member Kaplan moved that the First Things First Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Regional Partnership Council approve the Government-to-Government Agreement Contract No. GRA-RC021-13-0542-01 in the amount of \$165,000 for the Pre-Kindergarten strategy for State FY2013 and the \$35,000 unawarded for the Pre-Kindergarten strategy will move to carry forward for State Fiscal Year 2013. This will be a Government-to-Government Agreement with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. The motion was seconded by Council Member Helmuth and passed unanimously.

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that the contract for Food Security will be for the same amount as last year, after having been increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for Fiscal Year 2012.

Vice Chair McIntier moved that the First Things First Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Regional Partnership Council approve the Government-to-Government Agreement Contract No. GRA-RC021-13-0514-01 in the amount of \$10,000 for the Food Security strategy for State FY2013. This will be a Government-to-Government Agreement with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. The motion was seconded by Council Member Loring and passed unanimously.

FY2013 Grant Renewals

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that both of the grant renewals are in their second years. She stated that the Community Awareness expenditure is low due to the grantee using leftover books and other Tribal resources to cover part of the costs.

Council Member Ashley moved that the First Things First Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Regional Partnership Council approve the Renewal Agreement Contract No. GRA-RC021-11-0249-01-Y2 in the amount of \$3,000 for the Community Awareness strategy for State FY 2013. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kaplan and passed unanimously.

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that the amount for the Parent Education Community-Based strategy is remaining the same, which includes the parenting class which was added during this fiscal year. In the fall, a new parent educator focusing on literacy will be added, so there is the possibility of asking for additional funding at that time to ensure the hiring of a Bachelor level parent educator. Vice Chair McIntier stated that this is for the position that was previously funded by Even Start. In regard to the WISH program, Council Member Ransom stated that the parents were recognized last week, with 16 parents having participated. He stated that the participation last week was a record, with approximately a 400% increase.

Council Member Helmuth moved that the First Things First Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Regional Partnership Council approve the Renewal Agreement Contract No. GRA-RC021-11-0250-01-Y2 in the amount of \$64,052 for the Parent Education Community-Based strategy for State FY 2013. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ransom and passed unanimously.



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Parent Outreach and Awareness Report

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that the budget is for trainings, including the cost of the presenter. She further suggested that a workgroup be formed to include members of the community to decide what types of trainings would be held.

Council Member Kaplan moved that the First Things First Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Regional Partnership Council approve the Parent Outreach and Awareness Budget and Implementation Plan in the amount of \$5,000 for State FY 2013. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ransom and passed unanimously.

Needs and Assets Presentation by MGT

Dana Malmarm with Children's Action Alliance, subcontracted by MGT of America, Inc. presented highlights of the draft needs and assets report. Chair Harvier stated that the report will be going forward to the Tribal council on June 20, 2012. Regional Director Vinarskai asked for any feedback from Council members by May 23, 2012. She stated that Council members will be giving their final approval of the report at the June meeting. Chair Harvier thanked MGT for the report and Vice Chair McIntier and Council Member Kaplan for all of the time they spent on the report.

Regional Director's Report

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that the regional forum on benchmarking will be held on June 7, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at the Rio Salado Conference Facility at 2323 West 14th Street in Tempe. All Regional Council members are encouraged to attend the forum.

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that the Summit will be held on August 19-21, 2012 at the Sheraton Hotel in downtown Phoenix.

Regional Director Vinarskai stated that the Regional Partnership Council member interviews went very well and thanked everyone for their participation. She stated that Martina Ashley and Rene Murphy are not returning, and thanked them for their service. She further stated that a new member orientation will be held in August, and that all present Council members may attend the orientation if they would like to have a refresher.

Regional Director Vinarskai referenced the parent guide which she had emailed out to all Council members, and asked for volunteers to review the draft parent guide.

Regional Director Vinarskai stated she will be out of town for the next regularly scheduled meeting of June 19 and asked everyone to check their schedules for the week before or after that to reschedule the meeting. She also asked if Council members wanted to meet at 5:30 p.m., or did they want to meet at 11:30 a.m. She stated that the next meeting will be a relatively short one. Everyone agreed to have the next meeting on June 26 at 11:30 a.m., along with a goodbye potluck for the outgoing Council members. Chair Harvier stated she would reserve a room at Two Waters for the meeting.

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Regional Director Vinarskai stated that the new chair and vice chair elections will be held in July and at that time, all members can decide if they wish to change the meeting time to 11:30 a.m.

Regional Partnership Council Member Updates

Council Member Ashley stated that child care scholarships have been expanded for school-age children for the summer and may also be expanded for during the school year. It is also being expanded for during spring and fall school breaks.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Caitlyn Hollins, Administrative Assistant III

Approved: _____
Toni Harvier, Chair