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Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board

Coconino Regional Partnership Council

Call to Order

The special meeting of the First Things First Coconino Regional Partnership Council was held on August 10, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. The meeting was held telephonically, but one member participated in person at the First Things First Flagstaff Office, 405 N. Beaver St. Suite 1, Flagstaff, AZ 86001.

Julianne Hartzell, the Chairwoman for the Coconino Regional Partnership Council called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Members Present by Phone:

Julianne Hartzell, Mary McLellan, Debbie Winlock, Seobaghn Arambula, Samantha Cowan, Beth Johndrow, Collette Cox

Members Present in Person: Noreen Sakiestewa

Members Absent:

Tony Gonzales, Barbara Worgess, Agnes Chamberlain

First Things First Staff Present:

Coconino Regional Coordinator Ellen Majure, Coconino Administrative Assistant Cristi Mallery

Call to the Public

None.

Disclosure of Conflicts

Chair Hartzell declared a conflict regarding Renewal of Funding for Coconino County Healthy Families and Parenting Arizona for State Fiscal Year 2011. Chair Hartzell turned the meeting over to Vice Chair McLellan and left the conference call.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Grantee Renewals for SFY2011

Vice Chair McLellan chaired the discussion in Chair Hartzell's absence.

Member Arambula questioned why there is such a significant difference in funding between Parenting Arizona and Healthy Families if both programs follow the same Healthy Family Model. Ms. Majure explained that Parenting Arizona is an abridged model of the Healthy Families Model called Arizona Parent Connection Program. Parenting Arizona is thus not involved in the same reporting requirements and standards that Healthy Families has. Parenting Arizona also meets with families only once a week whereas Healthy Families is more intensive and sometimes meets with families more than once a week.

Ms. Majure explained to the Coconino Regional Council that a clarification question was raised to Healthy Families regarding their cost per family per year which is \$5,500 compared to the Healthy Families America Model cost per family per year which is \$3,500. Healthy Families responded to this question by stating that the Healthy Families America cost of \$3,500 per family per year data was taken from 2007 and that costs have risen since that time.

Vice Chair McLellan made a motion that “we approve Coconino County Healthy Families to receive grant renewal funding for State Fiscal Year 2011.” Member Winlock seconded the motion. Vice Chair McLellan performed a roll-call vote. Member Sakiestewa- yes; Member Winlock- yes; Vice Chair McLellan- yes; Member Cox- yes; Member Johndrow- yes; Member Cowan- yes; Member Arambula- yes. Motion approved.

Vice Chair McLellan made a motion that “we approve Parenting Arizona to receive grant renewal funding for State Fiscal Year 2011.” Member Sakiestewa seconded the motion. Vice Chair McLellan performed a roll-call vote. Member Sakiestewa- yes; Member Winlock- yes; Vice Chair McLellan- yes; Member Cox- yes; Member Johndrow- yes; Member Cowan- yes; Member Arambula- yes. Motion approved.

Vice Chair McLellan reminded the Coconino Regional Council to look closely at the productivity of these two programs prior to the renewal process next Fiscal Year. Ms. Majure explained that First Things First is working to improve upon reporting data for grantees and will be implementing monitoring visits in the near future. Member Sakiestewa stated this will be an important step towards checks and balances for all grantees.

Discussion and Possible Approval to Allocate Additional Funds for Access and Affordability Strategy- Child Care Scholarships

This agenda item has been moved to the August 23, 2010 regular meeting of the Coconino Regional Partnership Council.

Next Meeting Date: August 23, 2010

The next Coconino Regional Partnership Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 23, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. located at the United Way of Northern Arizona Conference Room. There will be a Coconino Regional Council Forum following that meeting, at 6:00 p.m. located at the United Way of Northern Arizona Conference Room.

Meeting Adjourned

There being no other business, Vice Chair McLellan adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:32 a.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Ellen Majure, Coconino Coordinator

APPROVED BY:

Julianne Hartzell, Chair