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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health
Pinal Regional Partnership Council

Work Session Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2009

Call Work Session Meeting to Order

The Pinal Regional Partnership Council Work Session Meeting was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at San Manuel School District Office, Board Room, 711 McNab Parkway, San Manuel, AZ 85631.

Regional Council Chair Mezzio called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

Council Members in attendance:

Barbara Mezzio, Mary Kyle, Bryant Powell, and Christina Jenkins

Council Members in attendance via teleconference:

Kai Gerkey, Mary Allen, Melanie O'Neil, and Charity Russell

First Things First Staff in attendance:

Aimee Kempton-Sarosi, Marla Chamberlain, and Carrie Loos

First Things First Staff in attendance via teleconference:

Annette Garcia and Teri Lippens

Public in attendance:

4 members of the public were present

September 7, 2009 Pinal Regional Partnership Council Meeting Agenda Items

Aimee Kempton-Sarosi, Pinal Regional Partnership Council, Regional Coordinator reviewed the agenda items for the September Regional Council Meeting. The agenda items reviewed were: Council recognition, Regional Council Meeting presentation by Lucy Valenzuela, CAHRA First Things First Emergency Food Program; Presentation by University of Arizona, Children's Study, Kathy Martinez;; regional request for grant application (RFGA) update and discussion; strategy work groups reporting, Coordinator's report, 2010 Needs & Assets Report, and FY 2011 funding plan.

Update and Discussion on Regional FY2010 Funding Plan

Ms. Kempton-Sarosi reviewed the funding allocation breakdown by goal area, status of funding – FY2010, and the operational plan. Copies of the handouts were given to the Council Members and to the public attendees. The funding allocation breakdown by goal area reviewed the following items by percent allocation and category total: quality/access, health, family support, professional development, communication, evaluation, needs/assets report, carry forward, food boxes, child care scholarships, and total allocation. The status of funding – FY2010 reviewed the following areas by status of funding, percentage, and allocation: current services, in progress (open RFGAs or contracts in development),

pending, and remaining funds. The operational plan reviewed the strategies that the Pinal Regional Partnership Council has developed (at this time the information has not changed) and the document was color-coded to represent current services, in progress, pending, and remaining funds.

Discussion on the FY2011 Regional Funding Planning Process

Ms. Kempton-Sarosi gave an overview of the FY2011 regional funding plan process. The Council would like to continue using the Quality & Access, Health, Professional Development, and Family Support work groups in regards to future planning for FY2011. The work groups have been successful in expanding strategies, developing them, and moving them forward.

The Council would like to receive more information/feedback regarding statewide funded strategies and possibly consider allocating additional funds. The Pinal Regional Partnership Council was notified that a survey is currently underway by First Things First regarding feedback. The first set of data for organizations funded July 1, 2009 will be due October 20, 2009 and will be submitted by grantees on a quarterly basis. The Council would also like to invite funded agencies to give presentations on the funded strategies for a status report/dialog so they asses if more dollars should be allocated to the strategies.

The Council would like to have the work session the month before the funding plan is due, so any details can be worked out. The funding planning process will start September, 2009 with a due date of November 10, 2009.

Discussion on Regional Needs and Assets 2010 Report Process

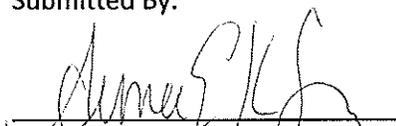
Ms. Kempton-Sarosi reviewed the needs and assets 2010 report process. The process will be different this year as each region will have a baseline funding for their needs and assets report. The vendors will be will asked to register on the SPIRIT website and the procurement office will send an announcement for Request For Proposals (RFP). An agency can be selective and request a specific region in which they are interested. The RFP will open by the end of August, 2009 and will close by October, 2009. A list of quality vendors will be given to the Regional Partnership Council and the Council will make a selection of whom they would like to conduct the needs and assets report. The Pinal Regional Partnership Council has an additional \$50,000.00 to expand the needs and assets report and will have a discussion at the September, 2009 Council Meeting.

Ms. Kempton-Sarosi will share the SPIRIT code for the needs and assets report with the Pinal Regional Partnership Council so this information can be shared with interested agencies.

Adjourn

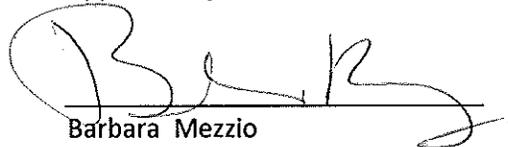
A motion was made by Member Jenkins to adjourn the Work Session Meeting at 1:34 PM, seconded by Member Kyle. Motion carried.

Submitted By:



Aimee Kempton-Sarosi
Regional Coordinator
Pinal Regional Partnership Council

Approved By:



Barbara Mezzio
Chair, Pinal Regional Partnership Council