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PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE

Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council Early Childhood Development

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, Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council and to the general public that the council will hold a regular meeting open to the public on August 20, 2008 starting at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Gila River Health Resource Center, 10060 W. Pecos Road, Laveen Arizona, 85339.

Some members of the Council may elect to attend telephonically.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Council may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, to obtain legal advice regarding any matter 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.

1. **Welcome/ Invocation/Call to Order** **Cathy Thornton, Coordinator/
Sister Martha-Mary Carpenter**
2. **Discussion and Possible Appointment of Temporary Chair**
The Gila River Regional Partnership Council may choose to appoint a temporary chairperson for the purpose of leading the meeting scheduled for August 20, 2008, as the Chair and Vice Chair will not be able to attend.
3. **Consent Agenda** **Acting Chair**
 - Approval of July 23, 2008 Minutes
4. **Presentation by New Directions Institute for Brain Development on Early Childhood Brain Development** **Dr. Jill Stamm**
5. **Discussion and Possible adoption of the FTF GRIC RPC Brochure** **Acting Chair**
6. **Review and Overview of Strategic Planning** **Cathy Thornton, Coordinator**
 - Strategic Plan Road Map Process
7. **Coordinators Update** **Cathy Thornton, Coordinator**
 - State Wide-Initiatives
 - Regional
 1. Needs & Assets Report Anticipated Arrival Date
 2. Upcoming Outreach
 3. Community Work Group Dates
8. **Council Member Reports** **Council Members**
 - Elderly Meeting Reports
 - Parent Survey Report
 - Foster Grandparents Support Group
 - District Community Meeting Reports

9. Future Meeting Dates

- Timeline
 1. Needs and Assets expected arrival September 8th
 2. Community Input/ Workgroup Mid-September

**Cathy Thornton, Coordinator
Acting Chair**

10. Call to the Public

This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Council/Board 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 any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

Acting Chair

11. Adjourn

Acting Chair

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Dated this 14st day of August 2008

Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council

Catherine Thornton

Cathy Thornton, Regional Coordinator

Posted this 14th day of August 2008, at 1:00 a.m.