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Arizona Early Child Development and Health Board Yavapai Regional Partnership Council

DRAFT Minutes

Call to Order

A Regular Meeting of the First Things First – Yavapai Regional Partnership Council was held on December 5, 2012 at the Yavapai College, Building 2, Room 206, 1100 E. Sheldon Street, Prescott, Arizona, 86301.

Kathy Watson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

Members Present: Kathy Watson, Anne Babinsky Rawlings, Sherry Birch, Sara Lienau, Ophelia Tewawina. Dan Brown and Juanita Setzer attended telephonically.

Members Absent: Julie Hall Allison and Angela Bradshaw Napper.

Council Member Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Vice Chair Sherry Birch declared a conflict of interest with regard to deliberations concerning any agenda items pertaining to Quality First, TEACH scholarships, Child Care scholarships, REWARD\$, Child Care Health Consultation, Mental Health Consultation and Raising a Reader because she, her staff or center are recipients of these services.

Council Member Sara Lienau declared a conflict of interest with regard to deliberations concerning any agenda items pertaining to Quality First, TEACH scholarships, REWARD\$ and Raising a Reader because she works for an organization that is a potential recipient of Quality First, and her organization may be recipients of these services.

Council Member Ophelia Tewawina declared a conflict of interest with regard to deliberations pertaining to Agenda Item #9, Native Language Preservation Grant because she works for the organization that is the grant recipient.

Approve RPC Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair Sherry Birch made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2012 Special Meeting of the Yavapai Regional Partnership Council, as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Anne Babinsky Rawlings and passed unanimously.

Review and Discuss SFY2013 Contract Detail Report

Regional Director Lori Deutsch provided updates pertaining to the 2013 Contract Detail Report including financial highlights; this report will be reviewed on a monthly basis.

Review and Discussion of SFY2013 1st Quarter Data Report

Regional Director Lori Deutsch provided updates pertaining to the Data Report including outcomes of regional strategies.

Presentation and Updates on Quality First Model

Quality First Program Coordinator Ginger Sandweg and Fiscal Specialist Lindsay Kaid provided a power point presentation and information in regard to Arizona's Quality Improvement and Rating System.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Native Language Preservation Grant Amendment

Regional Director Lori Deutsch led the discussion in regard to amending the Native Language Preservation Grant. Vice Chair Sherry Birch made a motion that the Yavapai Regional Partnership Council amend the Yavapai-Apache Nation SFY2013 award for Native Language Preservation from \$15,000.00 to \$19,494.00 with corresponding target service units of 2 center based providers; 4 professionals; 25 adults; and 50 books. The motion was seconded by Council Member Sara Lienau and passed with a majority of votes. Council Member Ophelia Tewawina abstained.

Presentation and Discussion on Regionally Directed Strategies

First Things First Staff Cindy Pemberton provided a power point presentation in regard to Regionally Directed Strategies and projects including: the Family Support Coordination's Child Care Coalition, Director Boot Camp, Director Network Meetings, Parenting Education Coalition, and Home Visiting Committee; and Parent Outreach and Awareness's Little Kids Book, Diaper Drive and Immunizations.

Review and Discussion of Expansion Strategy

Regional Director Lori Deutsch discussed updates pertaining to the Expansion Strategy and the need for a technical review group. Timelines were also discussed. Chair Kathy Watson and Council Member Anne Babinsky Rawlings expressed their interest in providing a review for the Council.

Review and Discussion of SFY2013-2016 Funding

Regional Director Lori Deutsch provided informational updates in regard to the current status and future funding projections to SFY2016.

Director's Report

Regional Director Lori Deutsch reported on a number of updates including: discretionary funding; evaluation plan; winter chair and vice chair meeting; funding plan presentation; board member sessions; regional council visit with Chief Executive Officer Rhian Evans Allvin; system building discussion; and strategy updates.

Call to the Public

Community Member, Dawn Mills, a parent who receives a First Things First scholarship through the Family Enrichment Center, discussed the success of the scholarship from a parent's perspective. Community Member, Adriana Shell and her 3 year old son Michael, who receive services through Parents as Teachers and Raising a Reader, shared their successful experiences. Community Member, Martha Sunshine Brubaker shared her experience as a grandparent raising her grandchild, the success of using Parenting Education classes, and participation in weekend food program from Coalition for Compassion and Justice. Community Member and Child Care Director of YMCA Sara McClintock discussed the successes of services she receives such as Parenting Education, Love and Logic, Child Care Coalition Events, Director's Network Meetings, and Raising a Reader.

Council Member Update/Report

Members of the Council did not have reports or updates during this time.

Next Meeting

The next Regular Meeting of the Regional Partnership Council is scheduled for January 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in Cottonwood. Due to a conflict of schedules with the First Things First State Board Meeting, it was recommended to change the Regular Meeting date to January 30, 2013. Vice Chair Sherry Birch made a motion that the Yavapai Regional Partnership Council move the Regular Meeting date from Wednesday January 23, 2013 to Wednesday January 30, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in Cottonwood. The motion was seconded by Sara Lienau and passed unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Council Member Anne Babinsky Rawlings moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Sherry Birch and passed unanimously. Chair Kathy Watson adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:06 a.m.



Lori Deutsch, Yavapai Regional Director

Approved:

Kathy Watson, Chair

January 14, 2013