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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board South Phoenix Regional Partnership Council

Meeting Minutes – September 17, 2013

Called to Order

The Regular Meeting of the South Regional Phoenix Regional Partnership Council scheduled for Tuesday, September 17, 2013, at 4:30 p.m., held at University of Arizona, Cooperative Extension, Palo Verde Conference Room, 4341 East Broadway Road, Phoenix, Arizona 85040.

Chair James Washington called the meeting to order at approximately 4:53 p.m. and welcomed attendees and council members. Introductions were held.

Members PRESENT

James Washington, Chair
Jennifer Quillin
Kristi-Langley Wells
Jasmine Sanchez
Yolanda Robinson (Teleconference)
Lorraine Salas, Ph.D.
Elizabeth McNamee
Jeremy Wood (Teleconference)

Members ABSENT

Patty Merk, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Riann Balch

Consent Agenda

Chair James Washington called for a motion to approve the August 20, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes. Member Quillin moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Member McNamee seconded. Motion carried.

Call to the Public

None

Regional Family Support & Literacy Strategies – Evaluation Study Update

Chair James Washington welcomed Eric and Allison from Harder & Company. They presented on the preliminary evaluation findings in South Phoenix. The evaluation was focused on the Regional Family Support and Literacy Strategies in South Phoenix. The overall rating received is “Established”. The South Phoenix Family Support and Literacy Strategy portfolio is well-designed and implemented, has moderate capacity to provide high quality services. The portfolio of strategies plays a key role in improving the lives of children and families and is positioned to make progress in contributing to the early childhood system-of-service in the region.

SFY2013 Program Implementation

Director Gonzales reviewed the 4th Quarter and final strategy data report summary for SFY2013. He further shared grantee successes and challenges as well.

SFY2014 Program Implementation

Director Gonzales updated the Council on the strategy implementation for SFY14. He has met with Senior Director Jennifer Johnson to identify a peer group and select a consultant to complete Phase I and II and develop a model for service delivery. Member McNamee will provide oversight and guidance of the consultant’s deliverables and provide technical assistant on behalf of the Council.

FY2014 RFGA: Review Committee Recommendations: STRATEGY: Family Support Coordination – Kinship Care – RFGA#

FTF-RC014-14-0476-00 - TABLED due to conflict of interest and lack of quorum. A public meeting will be scheduled as soon as possible to address this agenda item.

Director's Update

Systems Building – Director Gonzales informed the Council on possible approaches to address Systems Building in the South Phoenix Region and possibly with the other Phoenix Regions. He will continue conversations with Council members to obtain feedback and suggestions.

Phoenix Regions Grantee Meeting – Director Gonzales informed the Council on a scheduled Grantee Meeting slated for September 26th. All South Phoenix Region grantees have been invited to attend, and also extended the invitation to Council members. He briefly shared topics that will be presented at the meeting.

Chairs and Council Member Updates

Phoenix Regional Boundary Transition – Chair Washington updated the Council on the meetings held regarding the transitioning planning. The meetings were held with Chairman Lynn and the other Chairs and Vice Chairs. He will continue to provide updates as they become available.

Chair and Vice Chair Meeting – Chair Washington reported on the Chair and Vice Chair meeting held at the Summit. He explained the Quality First website launch presentation was very informative, and additional discussion held regarding FTF budget and discretionary funds, FTF search for CEO,

Maricopa/Phoenix Cross Regional Benchmarking Committee – Members McNamee and Sanchez provided a brief overview of the Committee's charge o statewide benchmarking efforts. They will continue to update as the Committee progresses through the benchmarking phases.

Next Meeting

Chair Washington informed the Council the next Regular Meeting is slated for October 15, 2013. A Special Meeting will also be scheduled within a few days to address the tabled agenda item. However, due to his new day and time conflicts, he is recommending setting possible new day and time to hold council meetings. He asked councilmembers of their availability and flexibility to move council meetings to mornings. He requested FTF staff to survey council members and reschedule future council meetings.

Adjournment

Chair Washington called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Quillin moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Sanchez seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Dated this 9th day of October, 2013

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