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### **Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board Coconino Regional Partnership Council Meeting Minutes October 20, 2014**

#### **Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the First things First Coconino Regional Partnership Council was held on October 20, 2014. The meeting was located at the North Country HealthCare Learning Center, 2920 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. , Flagstaff Arizona 86004. Amanda Guay, Vice-Chair for the Coconino Regional Partnership Council, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:01 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

#### *Members Present:*

Amanda Guay; Paula Stefani; Noreen Sakiestewa; Robert Kelty; Scott Deasy; Debbie Winlock; Sherri Slayton; Allen Chapa; Mary Morgan

#### **Disclosure of Conflicts**

Agenda item #8, Discussion and Possible Approval of Regional Strategies-Member Stefani  
Agenda Item # 11, Review of SFY2015 Strategies "Care Coordination/Medical Home" – Vice Chair Guay

#### **Consent Agenda**

Member Winlock motioned to approve the minutes for the September 25, 2014 Coconino Regional Partnership Council Regular meeting. Member Stefani seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Election of Chair**

Vice-Chair Guay asked for a nomination for the Regional Partnership Council Chair position. After not hearing a response, Vice Chair Guay nominated Paula Stefani for the Chair position. Member Sakiestewa then nominated Amanda Guay for the Chair position. Member Guay stated that she was happy with the Vice-Chair position and would prefer to not be in the Chair position and thanked member Sakiestewa for her nomination. Member Winlock motioned to approve Paula Stefani as the new Chair and Member Kelty seconded the motion. Motion carried. Paula Stefani is the new Chair for FY15.

#### **Grantee Presentations – Family Support and Health**

##### **a. Early Steps to School Success**

Vice Chair Guay introduced the Grantee presenter Diane Lenz and her presentation on the Early Steps to School Success home visiting program including their successes and challenges over the last fiscal year, along with a story illustrating the impact of their program. Vice Chair Guay then turned the discussion for this agenda item over to Diane Lenz, who provided a brief overview about the Save the Children program.

#### **Overview of FTF State Board Fiscal Policy and Quality First Direction for SFY2016**

Vice Chair Guay turned the discussion for this agenda item over to Ellen Majure. Ms. Majure provided a brief review of the FTF state board fiscal policy and the Quality First model direction for SFY2016.

### **Discussion and Possible Approval of the Regional Priorities for SFY2016 to SFY2018**

Vice Chair Guay turned the discussion for this agenda item over to Ellen Majure. Ms. Majure provided a review of the Coconino vision, the approved FTF selected priority roles, and the regional priorities. She then shared information demonstrating alignment between the regional priorities and the regional gaps identified at the Community Forum held last August. Ms. Majure then showed alignment between the regional priorities and the challenges identified in the 2014 Needs and Assets report. Once the review was completed, the Regional Council engaged in a lengthy discussion about the regional priorities to determine if they clearly reflect the regional needs as written and to determine the priority order of the regional priorities. The Regional Council revised and re-prioritized the regional priorities. Vice Chair Guay called for a motion to approve the regional priorities for State Fiscal Year 2016 – 2018.

Member Kelty moved to approve retaining the current regional priorities with the following changes as read and prioritized in the order listed, **Many young children and their families go without basic needs, which negatively impact their health, development and school readiness; Families need expanded opportunities for parent education and access to tools, resources and high quality early childhood development and health programs to support their child's development; Families with young children need expanded access to high quality early care and education to develop skills to prepare them for kindergarten; Many young children and their families need timely developmental screenings, early intervention and mental health services; and Families and early childhood professionals need expanded access to oral health education, and young children need increased access to oral health services.** Member Kelty then suggested adding further revisions to the first priority. The regional priorities listed above reflect Member Kelty's revisions.

Member Deasy seconded the motion. Motion approved.

### **Review of SFY2013 to SFY2015 Funded Strategies**

Vice Chair Guay turned the discussion for this agenda item over to Ellen Majure, who reviewed the SFY2013 to SFY2015 funded strategies. Member Stefani declared a conflict of Interest on the discussions related to ASCC funded programs; Growing Up Great, Kith and Kin; TEACH and Quality First.

### **Review and Discussion of SFY2014 Quarter Four Grantee Data and Financial Report**

Vice Chair Guay turned the discussion for this agenda item over to Ellen Majure, who provided a brief overview of SFY2014 Quarter Four Grantee Data and Financial Report, highlighting grantee expenditures and the overall rate of expenditures for FY2014 and highlighting successful contract service data in the Grantee Data Summary.

### **Review of Early Childhood Programs across the Coconino Region in the Goal Areas of Family Support, Early Care and Education and Health**

Vice Chair Guay turned the discussion for this agenda item over to Ellen Majure. Ms. Majure provided an overview of Early Childhood Programs across the Coconino Region in the Goal Areas of Family Support, Early Care and Education and Health. The snapshots included information about FTF funded strategies and programs, along with non FTF-funded programs, highlighting many of the programs serving families in the region as part of the early childhood system in the Coconino region.

### **Review of SFY2015 Strategies**

Vice Chair Guay turned the discussion for this agenda item over to Ellen Majure. Ms. Majure provided an overview of all of the SFY2015 regional funded strategies, including a strategy description, program names, years in the region, target population served, funds allotted to the strategy since it began, whether grantees have implemented evidence based programs, and how the strategies align with the school readiness indicators, among other strategy characteristics. The Regional Council engaged in a brief discussion about each of the strategies.

After the discussion, Ms. Majure distributed a strategy ranking form, asking Council Members to rank each strategy listed on the form from lowest priority strategy (a 1 ranking value) to highest priority strategy (a 3 ranking value).

Once completed, the ranking forms were collected. After briefly beginning to collate the results and discuss the rankings, which would have extended the meeting after the anticipated end time, Vice Chair Guay suggested that the totals be tallied by the Regional Director after this meeting and then bring the results to the next Regional Council meeting on November 10. Vice Chair Guay declared a conflict of Interest on the Care Coordination/Medical Home strategy discussion and Member Stefani declared a conflict of Interest on the discussions related to ASCC funded programs; Growing Up Great, Kith and Kin; TEACH and Quality First.

**Review and Discussion on SFY2016 to SFY2018 Strategy Funding**

Vice Chair Guay requested to table this discussion for possible approval at the November 10, 2014 meeting.

**Next Regional Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2014 at 3:00pm at United Way of Northern Arizona, Flagstaff, Arizona**

The next Regional Council Meeting will be held on November 10, 2014 at 3:00pm at North Country HealthCare Learning Center.

**Call to the Public**

Vice Chair Guay asked if there were any requests for "call to the Public" Rene Hobbs, Coconino County Transformative Learning Center, addressed the Regional Council, suggesting that the use of the QF scholarship dollars be prioritized based on demographics tied to participation in home visiting or parent education programs. Jill Briggs, United Way of Arizona, asked the Regional Council to consider continuing funding for the Summer Transition to Kindergarten strategy, describing some of the outcomes of the KinderCamp program in the Coconino region. Sylvia Johnson, Flagstaff Unified School District, also addressed the Regional Council, requesting consideration for future funding for the KinderCamp program.

**Adjourn**

Vice-Chair Guay called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Sakiestewa moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Stefani seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:55pm.

**Dated this 27th day of October 2014**

**ARIZONA EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT & HEALTH BOARD**

**Coconino Regional Partnership Council**

*Ellen Majure*

Ellen Majure, Regional Director

Approved by:

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Amanda Guay, Vice-Chair