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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

Northeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the First Things First Northeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council was held on November 3, 2008 at St. Patrick Catholic Community – Administrative Center, 10815 N. 84th St., Scottsdale, AZ 85260.

DeAnn Davies, Council Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 4:06 p.m.

Members Present

Bill Myhr, Dana Vela, DeAnn Davies, Gary Loutzenheiser, Gretchen Jacobs, John Foreman, Patricia VanMaanen, Prabodh Hemmady, Wendy Lyons

Member Absent

Diane Fausel, Stuart Turgel

Guests

Wendy Sabatini, Regional Manager of First Things First Maricopa Region

Allison Landy Senior Policy Specialist First Things First

Lyra Contreras Grants and Contracts Specialist First Things First

8 members from the public were present

Consent Agenda

Member Loutzenheiser motioned to accept meeting minutes. Member VanMaanen seconded. Motion carried.

Call to the Public

Ms. Christie Colunga distributed handout and gave a brief presentation on Professional Career Project (PCPP). Anyone interested in more information can contact her at 602-787-7731.

Brief introduction by all in attendance

Council Member Reports/Updates

This item was taken out of order.

Brief discussion on the First Things First Regional Partnership Council Chairs' meeting. Discussion regarding whether the Council would consider creating a partnership with other regions to pull funds together in order to get the most benefit from more funds being allocated to Communication, Needs and Assets report and Evaluation.

Member Foreman indicated that there should be enough money set aside to conduct an extensive and productive evaluation of all the programs that will be receiving funds in order to ascertain whether the allocations are productive and successful.

Funding Plan

Ms. Chandler gave a brief explanation regarding abstaining from voting on the individual Funding Plan Strategies if any of the Council Members have a conflict of interest.

Council Member Vela joined the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Extensive discussion regarding the funding plan took place including:

- Monies set aside for Evaluations

- Communications
- Needs and Assets
- Newborn Intervention program and the number of families serviced
- Developmental/Mental and Behavioral Coaches
- Dental Services
- Family Crisis Intervention

Member Foreman motioned to adopt Draft Budget on page 33 (attachment 2) with the following revisions:

- Needs and Assets/Evaluations 4% of the total allocation
- Communications 1% of the total allocation

The said percentages are to be taken at a ratio of 2/3 from Strategy number 1 and 1/3 from Strategy number 3. Member Myhr seconded. Motion carried.

Member Lyons stepped out of the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

Member VanMaanen requested a future presentation regarding Communications and Evaluations efforts from the state level in order to make more informed decisions regarding these items.

Vice Chair DeAnn Davies recues herself from Strategy number 1. The meeting was turned over to Member VanMaanen.

Member Lyons rejoined the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Member Foreman motioned to adopt Strategy number 1 as presented. Member Myhr seconded. Motioned carried. Members Davies and Lyons abstained due to conflict of interest.

Meeting was turned back to Vice Chair Davies.

Member Foreman motioned to adopt Strategy number 2 as presented. Member Myhr seconded. Motion carried.

Member Foreman motion to adopt Strategy number 3. Member Jacobs seconded. Motion carried. Members Vela and Myhr abstained due to conflict of interest.

Member Loutzenheiser motioned to adopt Strategy number 4. Member Lyons seconded. Motion carried. Members Vela and Myhr abstained due to conflict of interest.

Member Foreman motioned to adopt Strategy number 5. Member Loutzenheiser seconded. Motion carried. Members Davies and Lyons abstained due to conflict of interest.

Member Foreman motioned to adopt Strategy number 6 with additional follow up. Member Myhr seconded. Motion carried.

Member Foreman motioned to adopt draft Budget for Fiscal Years 2010, 2011 and 2012, with the following modifications: To allocate

- Needs and Assets and Evaluations 4%
- Communications 1%

Of the Population Based allocation of \$2,166,520

Strategy 1	\$ 748,000
Strategy 2	\$150,000
Strategy 3	\$ 372,000
Strategy 4	\$ 189,750

Strategy 5	\$ 330,000
Strategy 6	\$ 270,000
Needs and Assets/Evaluations	\$ 86,865
Communications	\$ 21,530

Council further authorizes Regional Coordinator Chandler to make mathematical adjustments as necessary and to make the necessary changes to the funding plan strategies as needed to reflect the discussion on the items.

Member Myhr seconded. Motion carried.

Member Jacobs motioned to allocate the Discretionary Funds for T.E.A.C.H/Wage Incentive and preventive dental service. Member Foreman seconded. Motion carried

Regional Coordinator’s Update Report

None

Adjourn

There being no further business, Council Vice-Chair Davies adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Ana Garcia AA III

Approved:

DeAnn Davies, Regional Council Vice Chair