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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

South Phoenix Regional Council

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the First Things First South Phoenix Regional Council of the – Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board was held on Tuesday December 16, 2008 at 4:30pm at Cartwright School District Governing Board Room, 3401 N. 67th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85033.

Vice Chair James Washington welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order on December 16, 2008 at approximately 4:33p.m.

Members Present

Cindy Segotta-Jones, James Washington, Moises Gallegos, Dr. Eva Marie Shivers, Dr. Rosalind Polston, Dr. Patricia Merk, Dr. William Ellert.

Absent:

Christopher Canelake, Mary Thompson, Dr. Robert Donofrio.

Council wished Dr. Robert Donofrio a speedy recovery on his surgery.

Discussion and Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Council Member Merk to approve the previous meeting minutes of November 6, 7, and 18th, 2008 as presented. Council Member, Shivers-Second. Motion carried.

Call to the Public

Vice Chair James Washington made a call to the public. No Public comments.

Council Members Update

Vice Chair James Washington made a call for updates of the South Phoenix Regional Council. Council Member Merk spoke of a Central AZ Kinship Care Coalition that she belongs to that had their Grandparent University in which had a turnout of 250 participants statewide. Member Shivers recently participated in a webinar on Family Friend and Neighbor Care hosted by Zero to Three, additional information is on the website (www.zerotothree.org).

Community Presentations; Southwest Human Development, FIBCO, Phoenix Children's Hospital

Vice Chair James Washington introduced the following presenters who gave a PowerPoint presentation on their organizations; Southwest Human Development, FIBCO, Phoenix Children's Hospital.

Discussion, State Board feedback on Regional Funding Plan

Member Merk updated everyone on the Board Meeting that Council Member Donofrio presented the South Phoenix Funding Plan.

Discussion of RFGA process; review committees, outreach, coordination of services across regions

Develop a "legislative contact" plan – who, when, what to discuss, training/preparation needed

First Things First Staff from the Finance Division Russell Spencer introduced a presentation on the RFGA Process.

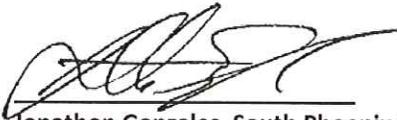
Establish/discuss future agenda items

A Council Holiday Celebration Breakfast was scheduled for December 23, 2008 at 7:30am at Legacy Golf Course 6808 South 32nd Street Phoenix, AZ 85042. The next meeting will be held January 20, 2009 at 4:30p.m at Cartwright School District Governing Board Room, 3401 N. 67th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85033.

Adjournment

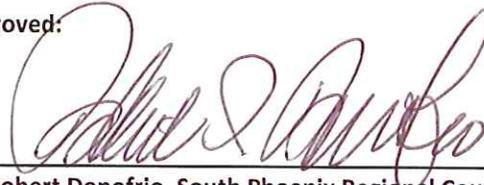
There being no further business, South Phoenix, Vice Chair James Washington adjourned the South Phoenix, Regional Council Meeting on December 16, 2008 at 7:00p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:



Jonathon Gonzales, South Phoenix Regional Council Coordinator

Approved:



Dr. Robert Donofrio, South Phoenix Regional Council Chair