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White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council

Draft Minutes

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the First Things First – White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council was held on November 2, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. at ABC Day Care, 422 South 2nd Avenue, Whiteriver, Arizona 85941.

Vice Chair Whitesinger called the meeting to order at approximately 3:20 p.m.

Members Present:

C. Bradley Brock, Shine Burnette (arrived at 3:27 p.m.), Valerie Dehombreux, Ranelda Hastings, Velma Kaytoggy, Dawnafe Whitesinger, and Kathy Wynn

Members Absent: Laurel Endfield

Other Attendees: Diane Derickson, Kate Dobler-Allen, Mona Eleando, Desiree Garcia, Rochelle Lacapa, Cheri Lavender, Natasha Lopez, and Maureen Theobald

Discussion and Possible Approval of the October 5, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair Whitesinger asked the members to review the minutes of the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council regular meeting held on October 5, 2010.

Member Brock moved that the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council accept the minutes of the October 5, 2010 regular meeting as presented. Member Dehombreux seconded; the motion passed 6:0:0.

Call to the Public

None

Presentation – Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Northeastern Arizona

Ms. Diane Derickson, Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Northeastern Arizona, introduced Ms. Desiree Garcia, who is the new Whiteriver Coordinator for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Northeastern Arizona. Ms. Derickson distributed handouts detailing the various programs offered by Big Brothers and Big Sisters in Northeastern Arizona and asked anyone interested to sign up to be a Big Brother or a Big Sister since there is a long waiting list for participants.

Member Burnette arrived at approximately 3:27 p.m.

Introduction of Community Outreach Consultant – Cheri Lavender

The new Community Outreach Consultant, Cheri Lavender, introduced herself and provided an update on her activities since her hire date of October 12, 2010. She also provided a verbal outline of her outreach plan thus far.

Discussion and Possible Approval of State Fiscal Year 2011 Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Contract Renewal

There were no members with conflicts of interest in attendance at this meeting. Coordinator Lacapa reviewed the contract renewal matrix, which included increasing the budget from \$2,000 in State Fiscal Year 2010 to \$4,000 in State Fiscal Year 2011 in order to expand the number of participants attending the conference.

After discussion, Member Wynn moved that the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council approve the State Fiscal Year 2011 Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) contract renewal. Member Burnette seconded; the motion passed 7:0:0.

Review and Discussion of State Fiscal Year 2011 Finalized Budget and State Fiscal Year 2012 Regional Allocation

Coordinator Lacapa reviewed the State Fiscal Year 2011 Funding Plan Summary and reviewed the breakout of the regional allocation, totaling \$1,037,534.75. Coordinator Lacapa provided a brief recap of both the statewide and regionally funded strategies and their total amounts. In total, \$870,811.34 was allotted to strategies with awards totaling \$759,976.34, which leaves a carry-forward balance for State Fiscal Year 2011 of \$277,558.41.

Coordinator Lacapa then presented the board-approved State Fiscal Year 2012 regional allocation for the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council, which totals \$703,046. Coordinator Lacapa noted that the State Board has approved a sustainability plan given the decreasing tobacco tax revenue. As a result, Coordinator Lacapa mentioned the Regional Partnership Council will need to take that into consideration when developing their State Fiscal Year 2012 Funding Plan.

Discussion and Possible Approval to Expand Existing Strategies with State Fiscal Year 2011 Carry Forward Funds

Coordinator Lacapa shared that a portion of Carry Forward Funds (\$277,558.41) could be used to expand State Fiscal Year 2011 strategies and provided three recommendations:

1. Invest money in media buys for the spring of 2011,
2. Purchase Additional Leave Behinds, and/or
3. Invest in a comprehensive Community Resource Guide.

After discussion, Vice Chair Whitesinger motioned that the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council add \$25,500 to the Community Awareness Strategy for State Fiscal Year 2011 (\$20,000 for the Community Resource Guide and \$5,500 for Leave Behind purchases) and \$5,000 be added under the Media Strategy for a potential spring media buy. Member Dehombreux seconded; the motion passed 7:0:0.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Additional November Meeting for Possible Approval of Government-to-Government Agreements

Coordinator Lacapa shared that there is a need to hold a special meeting in November 2010 in order to discuss and possibly approve Government-to-Government agreements for Reach Out and Read, the Early Literacy program through Whiteriver Unified School District and the Parent Coaching program through Indian Health Services. If this can be accomplished, the agreements would be presented to the State Board in December, 2010, and begin on January 1, 2011.

After discussion, Member Dehombreux moved that the White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council schedule a special meeting to discuss and potentially approve Government-to-Government agreements on November 16, 2010, at 3:00 p.m., telephonically. Member Wynn seconded; the motion passed 7:0:0.

Update on State Fiscal Year 2012 Strategic Planning Workgroup

Coordinator Lacapa noted there are no major changes to the regional strategies with the exception of incorporating a coordination and collaboration strategy.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Next Quarter's Meetings – Dates, Times and Locations

This agenda item was tabled until the December 2010 regular meeting.

Coordinator's Report

Coordinator Lacapa shared that the Big Check Event is scheduled during the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council Meeting on November 4, 2010. Coordinator Lacapa also discussed her maternity leave plan and will e-mail details of that plan to the members.

Items for the Good of the Order

This agenda item was tabled until the December 2010 regular meeting.

Adjourn

Having no further business, Vice Chair Whitesinger adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:06 p.m.

Approved:

Laurel Endfield, Chair

Rochelle Lacapa, Regional Coordinator