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COLORADO RIVER INDIAN TRIBES REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

February 25, 2014

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting of the First Things First – Colorado River Indian Tribes (CRIT) Regional Partnership Council was held on February 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Johnson O'Malley Computer Lab at 13392 First Avenue in Parker, Arizona, 85344.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Veronica Homer at 10:06 A.M.

Members Present

Veronica Homer- Chair, Jackie Flores-Vice-Chair, Monica Rosnagle, Amelia Flores, Brad Sale, Dru Waggoner

Members Absent

Gloria Flores-Lopez, Arlinda Setoyant, Patricia Fritz

Approval of Minutes from December 3, 2013 (Attachment 1)

A motion was made by Member A. Flores to approve the December 3, 2013 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Member J. Flores. The motion passed unanimously by members present.

Statewide Family Support and Literacy Update

This item was tabled due to the absence of Dr. Aaliyah Samuel, Senior Director of Family Support and Literacy.

Updates on the implementation of the FY2014 Regional Funding Plan (Attachments 2 and 3)

Regional Director Pascual presented the 2nd quarter grantee reports and highlighted events held and number of participants that attended each event. Director Pascual also presented the FY2014 Financial Expenditures for each grant.

Implementation of the FY2015 Regional Funding Plan (Attachment 4)

Regional Director Pascual presented the implementation of FY2015 Funding plan and highlighted important deadline dates and programs Scope of Work.

Discussion of the FY2016 - FY2018 Strategic Planning (Attachment 5)

Regional Director Pascual presented the implementation of FY2015 Funding plan and highlighted important deadline dates and programs Scope of Work. Chair Homer stated the Regional Council needed to take a good in depth look at the Needs and Assets before the strategic planning meetings. She also recommended that the entire Regional Council be a part of the planning instead of a committee. The Regional Council discussed some of the current needs.

Community Outreach and Awareness Update (Attachment 6)

Community Outreach Coordinator Erin Taylor provided an update on events she has attended and plans on attending in the CRIT Region. Coordinator Taylor also asked the Regional Council members to prepare a short bio and send to her for a project she is working on for Week of the Young Child. Ms. Taylor would also like to work with Parker Unified School District and Head Start to hold an activity during the Week of the Young Child.

Director's Report (Attachment 7)

Regional Director Ashley Pascual provided the Regional Council with information on upcoming trainings and other community events.

Senior Regional Director shared which Regional Council seats have terms expiring in 2014 and encouraged recruiting to fill these seats and the other existing vacancies on the regional council. Senior Director Arnold also stated he would like to form an interview committee to hold interviews in March.



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Regional Partnership Council Member Announcements

Member Flores shared that Head Start is currently taking applications for the next school year.

Next Meeting Dates

The next meeting is scheduled for March 25th, 2014, at 10:00 am. The location is to be determined.

Adjourn

Member A. Flores moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 AM. Motion was seconded by Member Rosnagle. Motion passed unanimously by members present.

APPROVED BY:

SUBMITTED BY:

Veronica Homer, Chair CRIT Regional Partnership Council

Bylli Esquerra, Administrative Assistant II

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Colorado River Indian Tribes Regional Partnership Council SFY2014 Financial Expenditures Report

	Grantee Name	Contract Period	Awarded	YTD Expense	Expense Variance	% of Award Expended
Evaluation	Statewide Evaluation Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$13,648	\$13,648	-	100.0%
	First Things First (FTF-Directed)	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$13,648	\$13,648	-	100.0%
	Goal Area Subtotal:		\$13,648	\$13,648	-	100.0%
Family Support	Parent Outreach and Awareness Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$105,000	\$37,500	\$67,500	35.7%
	Colorado River Indian Tribes-DHSS	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$60,000	\$15,000	\$45,000	25.0%
	Colorado River Indian Tribes-Library	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$45,000	\$22,500	\$22,500	50.0%
	Goal Area Subtotal:		\$105,000	\$37,500	\$67,500	35.7%
Health	Child Care Health Consultation	Strategy Subtotal:	\$7,418	\$3,443	\$3,974	46.4%
	First Things First (FTF-Directed)	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$455	\$455	-	100.0%
	Maricopa County Department of Public Health	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$156	\$28	\$128	18.2%
	Pima County Health Department	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$284	\$155	\$129	54.7%
	Yuma County Public Health Services District	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$6,522	\$2,804	\$3,718	43.0%
	Nutrition/Obesity/Physical Activity Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$27,102	\$13,551	\$13,551	50.0%
	Colorado River Indian Tribes-DHSS	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$27,102	\$13,551	\$13,551	50.0%
Goal Area Subtotal:		\$34,520	\$16,994	\$17,525	49.2%	
Professional Development	Scholarships non-TEACH	Strategy Subtotal:	\$1,500	-	\$1,500	0.0%
	Central Arizona College	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$1,500	-	\$1,500	0.0%
	Goal Area Subtotal:		\$1,500	-	\$1,500	0.0%
Quality and Access	Quality First Academy Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$2,342	\$1,015	\$1,327	43.3%
	Southwest Human Development	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$2,342	\$1,015	\$1,327	43.3%
	Quality First Child Care Health Consultation Warmline Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$142	\$45	\$97	31.7%
	U of A Cooperative Extension	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$142	\$45	\$97	31.7%
	Quality First Coaching & Incentives Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$42,141	\$31,700	\$10,441	75.2%
	Valley of the Sun United Way	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$42,141	\$31,700	\$10,441	75.2%
	Quality First Inclusion Warmline	Strategy Subtotal:	\$627	\$256	\$371	40.8%
	Southwest Human Development	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$627	\$256	\$371	40.8%
	Quality First Mental Health Consultation Warmline Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$645	\$379	\$266	58.7%
	Southwest Human Development	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$645	\$379	\$266	58.7%
	Quality First Warmline Triage Strategy	Strategy Subtotal:	\$251	\$149	\$101	59.6%
	Southwest Human Development	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$251	\$149	\$101	59.6%
	Quality First Scholarships	Strategy Subtotal:	\$102,580	\$77,138	\$25,442	75.2%
	Valley of the Sun United Way	07/01/2013-06/30/2014	\$102,580	\$77,138	\$25,442	75.2%
	Goal Area Subtotal:		\$148,728	\$110,683	\$38,045	74.4%
Overall Total:		\$303,395	\$178,825	\$124,570	58.9%	



Colorado River Indian Tribes Regional Partnership Council

February 2014 Regional Director's Report

CEO Search Update

- Diversified Search, a firm from Washington, D.C. has a small pool of qualified candidates from within and outside of Arizona. The timeline for a final decision will likely be extended beyond the April Board meeting.

Board Finance Committee Update

- On March 3, 2014, the Board's Finance Committee decided on a recommendation to the full Board to set the regional annual budget for SFY 2016 at a level spending that can be sustained for a long period of time, beyond the three year funding cycle. Based on this recommendation, the result for the CRIT region would be a \$7,616 (2.8%) reduction in the **base** allocation (from SFY 2015 to SFY 2016).

Needs and Assets Assessment Update

- The UA Norton School Team has been busy analyzing data, collecting data from key informants, and conducting parent surveys (a total of 89 parent surveys and three key informant interviews have been completed so far).
- A rough draft for an initial review will be submitted to the Regional Director by April 10th.
- The Regional Council will review and provide feedback on the first draft during the June meeting.

Upcoming Events

March 26: CORE Spring Kick-off, 11am-3pm, La Paz Career Center

March 31-April 1: Infant & Toddler Mental Health Symposium at Aquarius Resort, Laughlin

April 5: La Paz County Health Expo, 10am-2pm, Western Park

April 6-12: Week of the Young Child events throughout La Paz and Mohave Counties

April 16: CRIT Parent Outreach & Awareness Workshop featuring Enrique Feldman, 8am-2:30pm, Blue Water Resort

April 24: Best for Babies Training, 8:30am-3:30pm, La Paz County Sherriff Boating Safety Facility

April 29: CRIT Regional Partnership Council Meeting, 10:00am, TBD

May 1: Chairs/Vice Chairs Leadership Forum, Phoenix

May 22: Regional Forum with Board Members, 12-2pm, Mohave County Administration building, Kingman

SAVE THE DATE!

August 18-19: 2014 First Things First Early Childhood Summit, Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix

3RD ANNUAL NORTHWEST ARIZONA INFANT & TODDLER MENTAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM

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Improving Outcomes for Arizona’s Infants and Toddlers in Juvenile Court

Best for Babies Training Agenda

Thursday, April 24, 2014

La Paz County Sheriff Boating Safety Facility - 8484 Riverside Drive - Parker, Arizona

8:30 am Check in & Coffee

9:00am Welcome and Introductions

- Overview of young children in foster care. The facts about very young maltreated children, trauma and separation on very young children. Goals of Best for Babies and role of the child welfare system, best practices for maltreated infants and toddlers

Essentials of Early Child Development

- What do infants and toddlers need to develop normally? How we can help young children heal and thrive when they face abnormal challenges? What is “toxic stress” and how does stress impact child development?

11:45 am Lunch (on your own)

1:00 pm Working together on behalf of babies in the court system

- Importance of stable relationships. Community resources for young children. Working together as a team to improve outcomes for all young children in the dependency system.

Observing and supporting relationships

- Role of the Baby CASA. Using the Checklist of Essential Services to assure timely services. How to make sense of relationships between young children and foster parents/bio parents. What Baby CASA court reports should address. How to advocate for what is “best interests” of young children.

3:30 pm Adjourn

(This training qualifies for 5 hours of training credit)

