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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

Yuma Regional Partnership Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Welcome/Introductions/Call to Order
The regular meeting of the First Things First Yuma Regional Partnership Council was held on July 17, 2014, 4:30 p.m. at the YPIC Career Center, 663 E. Main Street, Somerton, Arizona 85350.

Chair Darren Hawkins called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

Members Present:
Chair Darren Hawkins
Vice Chair Irene Garza
Member Janell Johnson
Member Judy Watkinson
Member Mary Beth Turner

Members Present Via Conference Call:
Member Dr. Mario Ybarra

Members Absent:
Member Gloria Cisneros
Member Kim Fanning
Member Pilar Moreno
Member Ricardo Perez
Member Rebecca Ramirez

Conflict of Interest
None declared at this time.

Consent Agenda
The items on the consent agenda included the minutes of the June 19, 2014, Yuma Regional Partnership Council regular meeting. A motion was made by Member Watkinson to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Member Turner. Motion carried.

Introduction of New Regional Council Member
The Regional Council welcomed new Member Janell Johnson. Member Johnson's role in the Council will be in the Philanthropic capacity.

Presentation on Health System Building
Karen Peifer, Sr. Director Childrens Health of the First Things First Program Division, shared a power point presentation on Health Systems Building at the state level. Areas included in the report are but not limited to: Goals, priorities, developmental screening and services for parents, early detection and key findings. Ms. Peifer stated one of the priorities is to develop a comprehensive

assessment system, engage families through forums, develop and implement a common screening tool and referral process as well as developing an integrated data system.

Discussion on Strategic Planning

Regional Director Rudy J. Ortiz provided a brief background history on the Regional Councils' strategic planning journey and outcomes for the last three years and engaged the Regional Council in a discussion of strategic planning for FY16-18. Emphasis was on the three goals prioritized by the Regional Council, how the goals aligned with the regional priorities and the next steps/process of the strategic planning framework and key components that would help achieve the outcomes/vision and goals set by the Regional Council.

Discussion on Community Outreach Plan

Community Outreach Coordinator, Nena Garcia shared a brief synopsis of the Regional Community Outreach Implementation Plan for FY2015. The Community Outreach Plan Workgroup met last year and recommended the Business community as the target population. Ms. Garcia stated the goals are in alignment with the state priorities/goals. Vice Chair Garza briefly excused herself from the meeting at approximately 5:50 p.m. and quorum was lost momentarily but was restored immediately upon her return at approximately 5:51 p.m. A committee may convene at a future date for further discussion of the plan.

Discussion on 2014 Needs and Assets Report

Outside of some minor editing the Regional Council was satisfied with the overall draft of the 2014 Needs and Assets Report and had no additional comments at this time. The deadline for additional feedback from the Regional Council for the Needs and Assets is Friday, July 25, 2014.

Regional Director's Report

Updates included in the report:

- Yuma Early childhood Collaboration Meeting: August 11,2014
  - Key Note Speaker Dr. Carl Meyers-Healthiest County in the Nation
- 2014 Early Childhood Summit: August 18-19, 2014
- First Things First State Board Meeting: September 29-30, 2014

Call to the Public

There were no requests to address the council at this time.

Announcements

The Back to School Rodeo will be on July 26, 2014, 8a.m.-12p.m., Yuma Civic Center, Yuma, AZ.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Yuma Regional Partnership Council is scheduled on August 21, 2014, 4:30 p.m., Yuma Regional Medical Center Corporate Office, 399 W. 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Marie Megui, Administrative Assistant III

APPROVED BY:

Rev. Dr. Darren C. Hawkins, Yuma Regional Partnership Council Chair

August 21st, 2014