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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board Cochise Regional Partnership Council

Meeting Minutes September 18, 2014

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions

The Regular Meeting of the First Things First Cochise Regional Partnership Council was held on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at the Cochise College - Douglas Campus, 4190 West Highway 80, Douglas, Arizona, 85607.

Chair Hoyack welcomed everyone, and called the meeting to order at approximately 1:05 p.m. Member Strain lead the Regional Council Members and those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Council Members Present:

Rev. Shawn Buckhanan (via phone), Marge Dailey, Chuck Hoyack, Laura Killberg, Anthony Reed (via phone at 1:27p.m.), Telly Stanger, Jane Strain, Kathleen Vedock (via Phone), and Nancy-Jean Welker

Council Members Absent: Danielle Brownrigg, and Thomas Reardon

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Chair Hoyack explained to the Regional Council Members that they could declare their Conflicts of Interests at this time or wait until the specified agenda item. No conflicts were declared.

Call to the Public

Chair Hoyack made a Call to the Public. There were three Calls to Public at this time.

Jennifer Widdows, Community Member, spoke about her experiences with the Parents as Teachers program and how they have made a positive difference in her life.

Charlotte Taylor, Easter Seals Blake Foundation Parents as Teachers, thanked the Regional Council Members for supporting their efforts and gave information regarding the services and screenings that Parents as Teachers provide.

Christina Riddle, Easter Seals Blake Foundation Parents as Teachers, read two letters from participating families in the Parents as Teachers program to the Regional Council Members.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Minutes

A. July 17, 2014 Regular Minutes

Chair Hoyack asked the Regional Council Members for a discussion and possible approval of the July 17, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Member Strain to approve the July 17, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes; seconded by Member Dailey. Motion carried by a roll call vote (7-0-1). Member Stanger abstained from the vote.

Member Brownrigg	Absent	Member Strain	Yes
Member Dailey	Yes	Member Vedock	Yes
Member Killberg	Yes	Member Welker	Yes
Member Reardon	Absent	Vice Chair Buckhanan	Yes
Member Reed	Absent	Chair Hoyack	Yes
Member Stanger	Abstained		

B. August 25, 2014 Work Session Minutes

Chair Hoyack asked the Regional Council Members for a discussion and possible approval of the August 25, 2014 Work Session minutes.

A motion was made by Member Killberg to approve the August 25, 2014 Work Session Minutes; seconded by Member Stanger. Motion failed by a roll call vote (5-0-3). Member Dailey, Member Vedock, and Member Welker abstained from the vote. The Regional Council will revisit this agenda item at the next meeting.

Member Brownrigg	Absent	Member Strain	Yes
Member Dailey	Abstained	Member Vedock	Abstained
Member Killberg	Yes	Member Welker	Abstained
Member Reardon	Absent	Vice Chair Buckhanan	Yes
Member Reed	Absent	Chair Hoyack	Yes
Member Stanger	Yes		

Member Reed arrived via phone at 1:27p.m.

Presentation and Discussion of the Statewide

Strategic Communication Plan

Chair Hoyack recognized Angela Mussi, Senior Director of Community Outreach First Things First, who gave a brief power point presentation over the phone with the help of Melissa Avant, Regional Director. Ms. Mussi's presentation included information on Foundation Building, Goals, Integrated Work, Strategic Messaging, and the Community Outreach Model. There was a brief discussion between Ms. Mussi and the Regional Council Members after the presentation.

Discussion of Cochise Regional Partnership Council

Governance Policy – First Read

A brief discussion took place between Chair Hoyack and the Regional Council Members regarding the Governance Policy, with an emphasis on the Attendance policy portion. Chair Hoyack asked that the council look over the Governance policy before the next meeting.

Review of SFY2014 Grantee Financial, Data and Narrative Reports

Chair Hoyack recognized Ms. Avant who introduced Marjorie Bennett; Fiscal Specialist, First Things First. Ms. Bennett gave a brief overview of the reports provided in the packet including information on Financial, Data – Year End, and Narrative – 4th Quarter.

Strategic Planning FY16-18 and Review of Funded Strategies

A. Quality First and Quality First Scholarships

Chair Hoyack recognized Ms. Avant who gave an overview of the Historical Review document, Quality First information and new Quality First Scholarship procedures that will go into effect. Ms. Avant discussed local Cochise County data and facilitated a lengthy discussion with the Regional Council Members regarding Quality First as a priority for the next three year cycle.

B. Home Visitation

Ms. Avant gave an overview of the Data and information provided in the packet. Ms. Avant facilitated a lengthy discussion with the Regional Council Members.

C. Oral Health

Ms. Avant gave an overview of the Oral Health Data and information provided in the packet.

Vice Chair Buckhanan left the meeting and disconnected from the phone at 3:19p.m.

Discussion of Work Session Conversations

Chair Hoyack explained the documents provided in the packet.

Regional Director's Report

Chair Hoyack recognized Ms. Avant who welcomed Member Stanger to the First Things First Cochise Regional Council. Ms. Avant gave a brief overview on the following topics: SFY2016 Proposed Regional Allocation and Possible New Strategies including Professional Development, Health, and Family Support.

Recommended Future Agenda Items

Chair Hoyack explained to the Regional Council Members that they could recommend future agenda items at this time. Member Strain expressed that she would like to discuss Public Private Partnerships in the future and asked Ms. Avant if she could provide the Regional Council Members with the Kindergarten Readiness Inventory document.

Announcements

A. Next Regular Meeting: October 16th, 2014 – Ethel Berger Center, Sierra Vista, Arizona

B. Council Member Summary of Events:

Member Reed – will have an update on the United Way next meeting.

Member Welker – announced that the San Simone Valley Literacy Program just got their 501c3 nonprofit status and is very proud of this accomplishment.

Chair Hoyack – announced that the Cochise College will be celebrating their 50th Year Anniversary and spoke of the events that will be taking place.

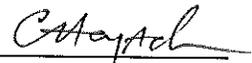
Ms. Avant – presented the Regional Council with a plaque from the City of Sierra Vista for their participation in the Back to School Fair and gave good news regarding the partnership with Read on Cochise County.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Regional Council, Chair Hoyack adjourned the meeting at 3:42 p.m.

Dated this 15th day of October, 20 14.

Submitted By: Sarah Furnas
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Approved By: 
Chair, Chuck Hoyack