

MINUTES - July 9, 2013

Welcome and Call to Order

The regular meeting of the First Things First Northeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council was held on July 9, 2013 at St. Patrick's Catholic Community Administration Building, 10815 North 84th Street, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260.

Chair VanMaanen called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m., and welcomed everyone in attendance. Chair VanMaanen introduced new Regional Council Member Dr. Bill Myhr, Tribal Representative.

Members Present

Chair Patricia VanMaanen, Vice Chair Marie Raymond, Ron Henry, Bill Myhr, Mary Permoda, and Stu Turgel

Members Absent

Joanne Meehan, Jenny Stahl and Dana Vela

Members of the Public

There were five members of the public present.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2013

Council Member Permoda moved to approve the May 14, 2013 regular meeting minutes. Council Member Henry seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously, 6-0.

Regional Boundaries

Council Member Turgel reported on the background of the Regional Boundary Taskforce as well as their decision-making process and ultimate recommendations to the First Things First Board which included the consolidation of the Central and Northeast Maricopa Regions. Chair VanMaanen stated that the Northeast and Central Maricopa Chairs and Vice Chairs met with three First Things First Board members as well as staff members after the Board tabled the recommendation at the last meeting. The concerns listed by Central Maricopa were addressed at the meeting. Additionally, information was given to the Regional Council members by staff which had been used by the taskforce in making their recommendations which showed that there were several strategies in alignment between the two regions as well as more similarities versus dissimilarities. The taskforce recommendation will be voted on at the July Board meeting. It was noted that joint Northeast and Central Maricopa Council meetings will likely be held starting in the fall so that SFY15 planning can take place for the newly combined region.

Presentation on Quality First Model Changes

Leslie Totten and Brooke Travis, Quality First Program Coordinators, reviewed a PowerPoint presentation and provided information to the Council regarding Quality First model changes to be implemented in SFY 2015. Ms. Totten also stated that *Child Care Exchange* magazine is distributed throughout the state, and Quality First is highlighted on the cover of this month's magazine. The center highlighted was a Tutor Time in the Northeast Maricopa region.

During the presentation, quorum was lost when Council Member Permoda was absent from the meeting from 5:06 p.m. until 5:08 p.m. During this time, no Regional Council business was discussed.

Communications

- a. Statewide Communications Plan**
Community Outreach Coordinator Tina Oluyi presented information to the Council members outlining highlights of the Statewide Communications Plan for 2014-2017 which includes providing 2012 statistics as well as objectives and goals of the plan.
- b. Northeast Maricopa Communication Plan**
Community Outreach Coordinator Tina Oluyi presented details and answered questions posed about the Communication Plan, which was developed by a subcommittee consisting of Vice Chair Raymond and Council Members Permoda and Stahl along with Mrs. Oluyi. Mrs. Oluyi also provided the Council members with Community Outreach and Awareness Suggestion forms to complete and return to her with suggestions for any organizations or media opportunities for outreach.
- c. Early Childhood Everyday**
(tabled until next meeting)
- d. Monthly Community Outreach Report**
Community Outreach Coordinator Tina Oluyi presented details and highlights about her community outreach activities in the last month.

Quarter 3 Narrative Reports

Senior Director Sabatini reviewed the narrative report summaries which were provided in the meeting packet and highlighted multiple programs. She asked Council members to let her know if they have any questions.

Director's Update

- a. First Things First and Staffing Changes**
Senior Director Sabatini stated that Sam Leyvas will be the Acting CEO while Rhian Alvin's successor is being determined, and she also provided other staffing updates.
- b. First Things First Summit**
All Northeast Maricopa Council members have registered for the First Things First Summit to be held August 25-27.
- c. First Things First Tribal Consultation**
Senior Director Sabatini stated that a tribal consultation will be held on August 15 at the Phoenix office.
- d. August Regional Council Meeting**
Senior Director Sabatini stated that representatives from Southwest Human Development as well as the Needs and Asset vendor will be presenting at the meeting.
- e. Regional Council Member Paperwork and Volunteer Training**
- f. Senior Director Sabatini attended the TEACH graduation.**

- g. Senior Director Sabatini reminded everyone that there will be a benchmarking committee, and asked if any Council member would like to volunteer to attend the meetings along with Council Member Stahl, to please let her know.

Regional Council Member Updates

Chair VanMaanen stated that Council Member Vela was profiled in the newspaper on Sunday among with four other women in the State of Arizona.

Vice Chair Raymond stated she will be attending the Brain Development and Learning Conference in Vancouver.

Council Member Henry stated that the First Things First presentation to the Fountain Hills School District went well.

Chair VanMaanen stated she had spoken to John Foreman, previous Northeast Maricopa Council member, who is doing well.

Chair VanMaanen stated that she, Vice Chair Raymond and Council Member Permoda will all be presenting at the First Things First Summit.

Call to the Public

Kimberly Richards with First Teeth First gave an update on their program and stated they will be hosting a presentation and networking opportunity event at the Paiute Neighborhood Center on July 24, 2013 from 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. Community Outreach Coordinator Oluyi has a copy of the flyer if anyone is interested.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair VanMaanen adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.

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Approved by:

Patricia VanMaanen, Chair
Northeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Council