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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board
Cochise Regional Partnership Council

Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2014

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions

The Regular Meeting of the First Things First Cochise Regional Partnership Council was held on Thursday, June 19, 2014, at the Bisbee Justice Court Precinct One, 207 North Judd Drive, Bisbee, Arizona, 85603.

Chair Rottweiler welcomed everyone, and called the meeting to order at approximately 1:04 p.m. Chair Rottweiler lead the Regional Council Members and those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Council Members Present:

Danielle Brownrigg, Marge Dailey, Chuck Hoyack, Dr. Stephen Poling, Melanie Rottweiler, Pastor Tommy Simpson (via phone), and Michael Vetter

Council Members Absent: Rev. Shawn Buckhanan, Nancy-Jean Welker, Jane Strain, and Kathleen Vedock

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Chair Rottweiler 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 Rottweiler made a Call to the Public. There were no Calls to Public at this time.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Minutes

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

A motion was made by Vice Chair Poling to approve the April 17, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes; seconded by Member Vetter. Motion carried by a roll call vote (7-0-0).

Member Brownrigg	Yes	Member Vedock	Absent
Member Buckhanan	Absent	Member Vetter	Yes
Member Dailey	Yes	Member Welker	Absent
Member Hoyack	Yes	Vice Chair Poling	Yes
Member Simpson	Yes	Chair Rottweiler	Yes
Member Strain	Absent		

Discussion and Possible Approval of Sponsorships

City of Sierra Vista: Back to School Fair

Chair Rottweiler asked the Regional Council members for a discussion and possible approval of the Sponsorship request of \$1,600 to the City of Sierra Vista for the July 12, 2014 Back to School Fair – once the budget has been approved by the First Things First CEO, Sam Leyvas.

A motion was made by Member Brownrigg to approve the Sponsorship request of \$1,600 to the City of Sierra Vista for the July 12, 2014 Back to School Fair – once the budget has been approved by the First Things First CEO, Sam Leyvas; seconded by Member Hoyack. Motion carried by a roll call vote (7-0-0).

Member Brownrigg	Yes	Member Vedock	Absent
Member Buckhanan	Absent	Member Vetter	Yes
Member Dailey	Yes	Member Welker	Absent
Member Hoyack	Yes	Vice Chair Poling	Yes
Member Simpson	Yes	Chair Rottweiler	Yes
Member Strain	Absent		

Discussion and Possible Action on Date Change for Election of Regional Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Rottweiler asked the Regional Council Members for a discussion and possible approval of the Date Change from May Election to July Election for Chair and Vice Chair.

A motion was made by Member Dailey to approve the Date Change from May Election to July Election for Chair and Vice Chair; seconded by Member Hoyack. Motion carried by a roll call vote (7-0-0).

Member Brownrigg	Yes	Member Vedock	Absent
Member Buckhanan	Absent	Member Vetter	Yes
Member Dailey	Yes	Member Welker	Absent
Member Hoyack	Yes	Vice Chair Poling	Yes
Member Simpson	Yes	Chair Rottweiler	Yes
Member Strain	Absent		

Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair for the July 17, 2014 Regular Meeting

Chair Rottweiler appointed Member Buckhanan as Chair and Vice Chair Poling appointed Member Hoyack as Vice Chair for the July 17, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Celebration of Regional Council Members

Chair Rottweiler recognized Melissa Avant, Regional Director who briefly expressed her gratitude to Member Vetter, Vice Chair Poling, Chair Rottweiler, and Member Simpson who will be leaving the Cochise Regional Council. Ms. Avant thanked them for their dedication and work with First Things First. Ms. Avant presented each with The Giving Tree book and Vice Chair Poling with his one year certificate and pin.

Presentation and Discussion of Early Learning

Updates

Chair Rottweiler recognized Ginger Sandweg, Senior Director Early Learning, First Things First who gave a presentation on the Quality First Scholarships, the upcoming model changes for SFY2016, information on the Teacher Scholarships available, and the Professional Development website and registry.

Discussion and Presentation of Year End

Grantee Reports

A. Quality First Coaching

Chair Rottweiler recognized Tony Lopez Krause, Coach Supervisor, Easter Seals Blake Foundation Quality First Coaching who introduced Diana Salcido, Coach Easter Seals Blake Foundation Quality First Coaching and Hortensia Shute, Coach Easter Seals Blake Foundation Quality First Coaching. Ms. Salcido and Ms. Shute gave a brief presentation about being a Quality First Coach. Ms. Lopez Krause gave a presentation about the changes and challenges ahead for providers and the partnerships Easter Seals Blake Foundation are working on.

B. Home Visitation – Parents as Teachers

Chair Rottweiler recognized Charlotte Taylor, Easter Seals Blake Foundation Parents as Teachers who introduced Christina Riddle, Easter Seals Blake Foundation Parents as Teachers. Ms. Riddle gave a presentation about the short term, intermediate, and long term outcomes of the Parents as Teachers program. Ms. Riddle handed out samples of some of the activities the program offers, gave information on the personal home visits, vision and hearing screenings, and the planning guide.

Member Simpson left the meeting at 1:50pm.

C. University of Arizona Cooperative Extension Programs: First Smiles, Warmline, and Child Care Health Consultation

Chair Rottweiler recognized Evelyn Whitmer, University of Arizona Cooperative Extension, who gave a video presentation on the First Smiles program, Warmline, and Child Health Care Consultation. Ms. Whitmer handed out an information flyer to the council members.

Vice Chair Poling left the room and quorum was lost at 2:20 p.m.

Vice Chair Poling returned and meeting reconvened at 2:25 p.m.

D. Recruitment – Stipends/Loan Forgiveness

Chair Rottweiler recognized Alan Richardson, Easter Seals Blake Foundation Arizona Early Intervention Program who gave a presentation about the Arizona Early Intervention Program, the team base model, who is a part of the team, challenges they face and the First Things First Therapist Incentive Program.

Chair Rottweiler introduced Kriss Hagerl, Superintendent Sierra Vista Unified School District who was seated in the audience and thanked her for being present.

Regional Director's Report

Chair Rottweiler recognized Ms. Avant who gave a brief overview on the following topics: The 2014 Needs and Assets Report, Central East Regional Forum, 2014 First Things First Summit registration, Regional Council Recruitment, Cochise System Building, Cochise County Detail Report, Strategic Planning Framework, and the Public Private Partnership Plan.

Recommended Future Agenda Items

Chair Rottweiler explained to the Regional Council Members that they could recommend future agenda items at this time. No recommendations were made.

Announcements

A. Next Regular Meeting: July 17, 2014 – Willcox Arizona

Chair Rottweiler announced that the July 17, 2014 meeting will be held in Willcox Arizona.

Council Member Summary of Events:

Member Vetter – announced that the Catholic Community Services is collecting donations and you can find out more information on their Facebook page.

Member Hoyack – extended his best wishes to the Council Members that were leaving and expressed his irritation with the timing of the Summit coinciding with the beginning of the higher education school year, making it hard for him to attend the Summit.

Vice Chair Poling – announced that he applied to the First Things First Northwest Maricopa County Regional Council.

Chair Rottweiler – showed the Council Members the Certificate and Plaque presented to First Things First from the City of Sierra Vista for their participation in the Easter Eggstravaganza event.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Regional Council, Chair Rottweiler adjourned the meeting at 2:54 p.m.

Dated this 17th day of July, 2014.

Submitted By: Sarah Furnas
Administrative Assistant II

Approved By: Shawn L. Buckhanan
Appointed Chair, Pastor Shawn Buckhanan