



February 18, 2011
Arizona Department of Education
2005 N. Central Avenue, Room 106/107
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Early Learning Advisory Committee
Draft Meeting Minutes

Committee Members in Attendance	Michael Kelley – Co Chair; Juan Sanchez – Co Chair; Karen Applequist, Mary Baldwin, Susan Benson, Terry Doolan, Peggy Federici, Diane Fellows, Cheryl Foster, Shirley Harter, Dennis Ichikawa, Mary Lamm, Bruce Liggett, Laura Martin, Sibieanne Martinez, Barb Milner, Karla Phillips, Jacquelyn Power, Kymberlii Tenario, Susan (Wilkins) Jacobs, Karen Woodford
Committee Members Absent	Norm Ehmke, Arnoldo Hernandez, Mary Kramer-Reinwasser, Erin Krich, Dana Naimark, Paul Ohm, Karen Ortiz, Joseph Parzych, Jakob Raskob, Susan Ryan, Jeff Smith, Alan Taylor, Melissa Zaja
Facilitator	Leslie Anderson, Leslie Anderson Consulting, Inc.

Call to Order/ Welcome and Introduction

The regular meeting of the First Things First – Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board, Early Learning Advisory Committee was held on February 18, 2011, at the Arizona Department of Education, 2005 North Central Avenue, Room 106/107, Phoenix, Arizona 85008. The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Juan Sanchez at approximately 10:00 a.m. A brief welcome to everyone was made by Co Chairs Michael Kelley and Juan Sanchez. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves and the agency which they represented.

Discussion and Overview of Agenda Topics

Leslie Anderson of Leslie Anderson Consulting, Inc. gave a brief overview of the agenda, stating that the focus of the meeting would be discussion on the changing face of early care and education and professional development, and creating goal statements for the First Things First roles in the early of early learning.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Member Woodford to accept the consent agenda with the exception of items 1 and 2. Motion seconded by Member Foster. Motion was carried.

Items 1 and 2 were removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Discussion Regarding the Changing Face of Early Care and Education and Professional Development

Members of the Committee divided into small groups and worked on assets and innovating practices, current challenges and opportunities for the future.

Discussion of Goal Statements

Leslie Anderson gave a brief overview of the presentation given by Deputy Director Karen Woodhouse regarding the creation of First Things First and the planning processes that have led to this phase of planning. Today's committee task was defined as revising draft goals and creating new ones for the six roles in Early Learning identified and approved by the First Things First Board. Goals will then be presented to the Program Committee and First Things First Board for Regional Councils to guide future planning and funding. Members were tasked to divide into small groups and write at least one goal for each of the role areas.

Future Work and Next Steps

Finalize goal language and begin discussion of indicators.

Next Meeting

Friday, March 11, 2011, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Arizona Water Resource Department, 3550 North Central Avenue, 2nd Floor Verde Conference Room, Phoenix, Arizona 85012.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Elsa Romero, Executive Staff Assistant

Approved

Sandy Foreman, Assistant Director, Policy and Research

Committee Approval:

Michael Kelley, Co-Chair

Committee Approval:

Juan Sanchez, Co-Chair