



**EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 13, 2010**

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, at Austin City Hall, Room #1101, 301 West Second Street, in Austin, Texas.

Board Members in attendance are listed on the attached attendance roll sheet. Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) staff in attendance was Ron Hubbard. Cindy Gamez, Jacquie Porter, Nicole Robinson, Cris Perez, Ellen Balthzar, Lanie Boose, and Lisa Martin attended as guests.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Aletha Huston called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

1. **INTRODUCTIONS:** The Chair asked the guests to introduce themselves.
2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:** None.
3. **PRESENTATION:** Cris Perez, Nicole Robinson and Cindy Gamez presented about Workforce Solutions Child Care Services eligibility processes and new attendance recording process.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the regular meeting on March 9, 2010 were approved on Council Member Keith-Thompson's motion with Council Member Wallace's second on a 11 – 0 vote with Council Member Paver arriving after the vote.
5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - a. **EXECUTIVE** – The FamilyConnections situation was discussed including how the ECC should respond. Holding a special called meeting regarding the future uses of FamilyConnections' funding was approved on Council Member Rodriguez's motion with Council Member Carpenter's second on a 12-0 vote.
 - b. **POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH** – Council Member Rodriguez discussed the progress on the downtown child care survey.
 - c. **PROVIDERS** – Council Member Sanford said reported on an upcoming Child Care Licensing hearing. She reviewed the proposed agenda for the June 3rd evening ECC meeting.
 - d. **FINANCE** – Council Member Carpenter discussed the ECC's funding recommendations and plans for meeting with Council Members and Commissioners.

6. **SUCCESS BY 6:** Council Member Carpenter updated the ECC on SB6 activities. SB6 conducted a survey of child care center directors.
7. **STAFF BRIEFING:** Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator, reported that CDBG funds are level for next year, and on his work around the FamilyConnections issues.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Huston adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m. without objection.

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Attendance - 12 Month

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

	LAST	FIRST	MAY 09	JUNE 09	JULY 09	AUG 09	SEPT 09	OCT 09	NOV 09	DEC 09	JAN 10	FEB 10	MAR 10	APR 10	
1	Black	Albert	X	1	1	X	X	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	
2	Briley	Sandy	1	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	
3	Carpenter	Sue	1	X	1	1	1	X	X - Harlem	1	1	X - Work	1	1	
4	Cloud	Ariel	1	1	1	X	1	E	1	1	E	1	1	1	
5	Elsner	Larry	New Appointment				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6	Holder	Kyle	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7	Huston	Aletha	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8	Keith-Thompson	Debra	New Appointment 11/5/09						1	E	1	1	1	1	1
9	Paver	Rhonda	E	1	1	X	1	1	E	1	1	1	X	1	1
10	Rodriguez	Cindy	X	1	1	1	1	E	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
11	Rosofsky	Natasha	New Appointment				1	1	1	X - Israel	1	1	1	1	E
12	Sanford	Margie	1	1	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
13	Wallace	Avis	1	E	E	1	1	E	1	1	1	E	1	1	1
	Total Members Present		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	10	6	11	11	11	11	12	12	12
							No Quorum								

Present = 1, Absent excused = E,
Absent unexcused = X