



EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 11, 2011**

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, 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. Guests that signed in were: Dana Perez, Jessica Son, Cindy Gamez, and Laura Koenig.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Huston called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Guests were asked to introduce themselves.
2. **DISCLOSURE OF RECUSAL FOR AGENDA ITEMS:** Council Member Jacquie Porter recused herself on Agenda item 7.c.i. AISD PreKindergarten full or part day issue since she is an AISD employee.
3. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:** None
4. **PRESENTATIONS:** None
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The December 14, 2010 meeting minutes were approved with the correction of a typo in item 8.c. on Council Member Black's motion with Council Member Porter's second on a 10 – 0 vote, with Council Member Wallace arriving after the vote.
6. **STAFF BRIEFING – Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator**
 - a. Items from City Clerk's Office Board and Commission training were shared and discussed.
 - b. The draft Bylaws to comply with ordinance changes and for submittal to City Council's Audit and Finance Committee were approved on Council Member Carpenter's motion with Council Member Fahrenthold's second on a 10 – 0 vote, with Council Member Sanford out of the room.
7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS**
 - a. Executive – Aletha Huston
 - i. The proposed Work Plan for 2011 was approved on Council Member Carpenter's motion with Council Member Elsner's second on an 11 – 0 vote.
 - ii. The ECC meeting schedule for 2011 was approved on Vice-Chair Holder's motion with Council Member Sanford's second on an 11 – 0 vote.

- iii. Authorization for individual ECC members to visit Council Members about the ECC's TECEC 10 Steps Recommendations was approved on Vice-Chair Holder's motion with Council Member Paver's second on an 11 – 0 vote. Chair Huston's presentation about the TECEC recommendations to the Public Health and Human Services Subcommittee was authorized on Council Member Carpenter's motion with Council Member Porter's second on an 11 – 0 vote.
 - iv. Chair Huston presented an update on letter and request to City Integrity Officer. Since the ECC may have too many members who are recused to take action, Mr Steiner said that as an individual citizen a member may visit Council Members and City management about issues.
- b. Research and Policy Development – Cindy Rodriguez
 - i. Recommendation and approval of a response to Open Space Ordinance was taken out of order without objection. After discussion, a recommendation to support the Open Space Ordinance with the recommendation that the ordinance have stronger provisions to require children's play spaces was approved on Vice-Chair Holder's motion with Council Member Black's second on a 10 – 0 vote, with Council Member Wallace arriving after the vote.
 - c. Providers – Margie Sanford
 - i. Council Member Sanford reported that she is working on talking points concerning the AISD PreKindergarten full-day / part-day issue.
 - d. Finance – Council Member Rosofsky reported that members are scheduling visits to City Council Members.
 - e. Committee Annual Reports
 - i. The written reports were filed without objection.
- 8. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE – Council Member Carpenter reported on SB6 activities such as the application for funding process, a parent engagement project as part of a planning process, and an early childhood mental health program.
 - 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Recommendation concerning AISD PreKindergarten

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 AM.

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Attendance - 12 Month

Scheduled Meetings

	LAST	FIRST	FEB 10	MAR 10	APR 10	4/20/10 Special	MAY 10	6/3/10 Special	JULY 10	AUG 10	SEPT 10	OCT 10	NOV 10	DEC 10	JAN 11
1	Black	Albert	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1
2	Carpenter	Sue	X- Work	1	1	1	1	1		E		1	1	1	1
3	Elser	Larry	1	1	1	1	1	1		X		1	1	1	1
4	Fahrenheit	Anna Lisa						New appointment 10/19/2010					1	1	1
5	Holder	Kyle	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1
6	Huston	Aletha	1	1	1	1	1	1		X		1	1	1	1
7	Keith-Thompson	Debra	1	1	1	E	1	1		1		1	1	1	E
8	Paver	Rhonda	1	X	1	1	1	X		1		X	1	1	1
9	Porter	Jacque				New appointment				1		1	1	1	1
10	Rodriguez	Cindy	1	1	1	1	1	1		X		1	1	X	1
11	Rosofsky	Natasha	1	1	E	1	1	1		E		1	1	1	X
12	Sanford	Margie	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1
13	Wallace	Avis	E	1	1	1	E	1		E		1	E	X	1
	Total Members Present		9	10	10	10	10	10	No Mtg	6	No Mtg NoPost	11	12	11	11

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