



## **EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, February 8, 2012**

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2012, at City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, Texas. The meeting time was extended to allow for a Council retreat.

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 present and signing in were Brook Son, Kevin Schoenberger, Elaine Clark, Jessica Son, and Richard Nunez.

The Meeting was called to order by Chair Holder at 8:40 am.

1. Guests introduced themselves.
2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None
3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: Kevin Schoenberger and Richard Nunez from ConnectCare Home Therapy for Kids each spoke about ConnectCare services and handed out an informational folder.
4. PRESENTATION: School Readiness Community Plan – Sue Carpenter, Success By 6, United Way Capital Area, presented the current draft of the Plan and described the process to date.
5. MINUTES: The January 11, 2012 meeting minutes were approved with the corrected spelling of “Nunez” on Council Member Huston’s motion and Council Member Porter’s second on a 9 – 0 vote, with Council Member Black arriving after the vote.
6. WORK GROUP REPORTS: Executive Work Group – Council Member Huston gave a summary of the meeting with Kelly Nichols, NHCD, about including early childhood in the Colony Park planning.
7. STAFF BRIEFING: Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator, updated the Council on the progress with the Proposed HHSD Early Childhood Plan.
8. ECC 2012 WORK PLAN:
  - a. Chair Holder presented an overview of the planning process that was facilitated by Brook Son, Travis County Research and Planning. The Council reviewed the 2011 Plan and discussed changes, additions and deletions. From the notes, the 2012 Plan

will be drafted and presented for approval in March. The work group assignments and discussion of related groups was delayed due to time.

- b. The Early Childhood Council's support of the School Readiness Plan was approved on Council Member Elsner's motion and Council Member Rodriguez's second on an 8 – 0 vote with Council Members Paver and Black leaving the meeting before the vote.

The Early Childhood Council's recommendation to City Council to support the School Readiness Plan was approved on Council Member Porter's motion and Council Member Rodriguez's second on an 8 – 0 vote with Council Members Paver and Black leaving the meeting before the vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.

**Early Childhood Council**  
Attendance with 12 Month History  
FY 2012 All Meetings

	LAST	FIRST	MAR 2011	APR 2011	MAY 2011	JUN 2011	JUL 2011	AUG 2011	SEPT 2011	OCT 2011	NOV 2011	DEC 2011	JAN 2012	FEB 2012
1	Black	Albert	1	1	1	X		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	Borowski	Robert							Appt 9/2/11	1	X	X	1	1
3	Elsner	Larry	1	1	1	1		X	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	Fahrenthold	Anna Lisa	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5	Holder	Kyle	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6	Husbn	Alaetha	1	1	1	1		X	1	1	1	1	1	1
7	Keith-Thompson	Debra	1	1	1	1	No Meeting					1	1	E
8	Meunier	Leah				New appt 6/29/11		1	1	1	X	1	1	1
9	Paver	Rhonda	E	E	X	1		1	1	1	X	1	X	1
10	Porter	Jacque	1	1	1	1		1	X	1	1	1	1	1
11	Rodriguez	Cindy	E	1	1	X		X	1	1	E	1	1	1
12	Vacant - Mayor								Vacant 10/1/11					
13	Wallace	Avis	1	E	E	1		1	E	1	1	E	E	E
	Total Members Present		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a	12	8	10	10	10

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