

EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, June 12, 2013

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 12, 2013, at City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Board Members in attendance are listed on the attached attendance roll sheet. Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) staff in attendance were Ron Hubbard and Kym Maddox. Guests that signed in for the meeting were: Michelle Sparks, Robbie Polan, Michelle Crawford, Alison Bentley, Melissa Gardner, Franciell Farris, Katie Malaspina, Sally Miculek, and Tara Carmean

The Meeting was called to order by Chair Holder at 9:13 AM.

- 1. INTRODUCTIONS: Chair Holder asked guests to introduce themselves.
- 2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None
- 3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The May 8, 2013 regular meeting Minutes were approved on Council Member Huston's motion, Council Member Black's second on a 7-0 vote.
- 5. PRESENTATIONS: HHSD Fiscal Year 2014 Proposed Budget Presentation—Kym Maddox, Chief Administrative Officer of HHSD. Kym Maddox presented a brief overview of the upcoming 2014 Fiscal Year's Proposed Budget The presentation included "Austin/ Travis County Health & Human Services Department: FY 2014 Financial Forecast; Budget forecast cost drivers, Revenue forecast, FY 14 Capital Highlights and Priority Unmet service demands."

Council Member questions included:

- MIOP (Maternal Infant Outreach Program) description
- HHSD budget related to whole budget
- Number of children served by early childhood contracts.

6. WORK GROUP REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS

- a. Executive Work Group Kyle Holder
 - Report on comments to the City Council's Public Health and Human Services Committee meeting on May 21st
 - Social Service contracts- divided in to allocation for families, adults and care management

- b. Policy and Finance Work Group
 - Council Member Huston discussed comments related to the State Child Care Plan
 - Sending copies of the comments to City Council, County Commissioners Court, and Workforce Solutions for their information was approved on Council Member Huston's motion, Council Member Casini's second moved on a vote of 7 0.
 - At the meeting with Tamara on June 21st Chris King and Ray Marshall Carter will discuss dual generation program in Austin and map out what is in the community
- c. Providers Work Group Council Member Koenig provided a library service update on the Group's work with the Library and with Parks and Recreation about swimming pool policies related to child care providers.
- 7. STAFF BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator, provided an update on the City Employee Paid Parental Leave Policy recently approved by City Council.

A recommendation to commend the Council for approving the leave policy and to allow employees to retain a level of leave days for use after the new paid parental leave is utilized was approved on Council Member Huston's motion, Council Member Elsner's second on a 7-0 vote.

- 8. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE Alison Bentley gave an update on the SB6 including the newly trained VISTAs that will be working with SB6 and announced the several upcoming meeting dates.
- 9. RELATED GROUPS -None

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Holder adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 10:24 AM.

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