

EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, November 13, 2013

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 13, 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 was Ron Hubbard.

The Meeting was called to order by Chair Holder at 9:06 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 October 9, 2013 regular meeting Minutes were approved on Vice-Chair Porter's motion, Council Member Huston's second on an 8-0 vote with Council Members Paver and Rodriguez arriving after the vote.
- 5. PRESENTATIONS: None.

6. WORK GROUP REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS

- 1. Executive Work Group Kyle Holder
 - a. Members were reminded that the December 11th ECC meeting is cancelled.
 - b. The ECC Calendar update including the increased number of special meetings of the City Council's Public Health and Human Services Committee was discussed. Members asked that the calendar be attached to the meeting Agenda each month.
 - c. A recommendation that the social services Request for Application's scoring and weighting methods not adversely affect early childhood applications was approved on Council Member Casini's motion, Council Member Huston's second on a 10-0 vote. The Recommendation document is attached to these minutes.
 - d. Members were reminded about the ECC Work Plan process for 2014.
- 2. Policy and Finance Work Group Brook Son
 - a. A recommendation to update the Imagine Austin plan to include a section that specifically addresses social services for low income families with children was approved on Council Member Huston's motion, Vice-Chair Porter's second on a 10-0 vote. The Policy and Finance Work Group will review the plan to develop specific recommendations.

- 3. Providers Work Group Laura Koenig
 - a. An update on the Group's work on story times at Austin Public Libraries and other locations was provided.
- 7. STAFF BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator
 - 1. The City Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Early Childhood items were discussed.
 - 2. The social services RFA process was discussed including the dates of the Public Health and Human Service Committee meetings were discussed.
- 8. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE Alison Bentley provided an update on the School Readiness Plan (SRAP) and Success By 6 work including work on data for the second annual update and the start of the planning cycle for the second SRAP 2015-2018 for release in May 2015.
- 9. RELATED GROUPS None

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Holder adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 10:30 AM.

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