



EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, January 8, 2014**

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2014, 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. Guests that signed in for the meeting were: Tara Carmean, Franciell Farris, Michelle Crawford, Alison Bentley, Raye Sansom, and Katie Ryan.

The Meeting was called to order by Chair Holder at 9:00 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 November 13, 2013 regular meeting Minutes were approved on Council Member Keith-Thompson's motion, Vice-Chair Porter's second on a 9 - 0 vote. Council Members Black and Breithaupt arrived after the vote.
5. **PRESENTATIONS:** None.
6. **WORK GROUP REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS**
 - a. **Executive Work Group – Chair Holder reported:**
 - (1) The Annual Report and Work Plan process was discussed and edits made. Including the need to continue to work with Council about the RFA process. Specifically, the message that child care is not necessarily always tied to workforce needs.
 - b. **Policy and Finance Work Group – Council Member Son reported:**
 - (1) A parent involvement effort through a public engagement process was discussed. The Work Group will continue to work on the engagement process.
 - c. **Providers Work Group – Council Member Koenig updated the ECC about the Children's Librarian position and provided information from the Del Valle library.**
7. **STAFF BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS – Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator, reported on plans to present about the National League of Cities (NLC) project**

to the Public Health and Human Services Committee with NLC and Success By 6 staff. He gave an update on the social services RFA process due to be released in late February. He discussed possible limitations of his time for ECC since being named acting manager of the Family Health Unit in addition to the Coordinator duties.

8. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE – Alison Bentley provided an update on the School Readiness Plan and Success By 6 work. ECC members were asked to sign up for City Council visits.
9. RELATED GROUPS – Raye Sansom from the Austin Association for the Education of Young Children (AAEYC) announced that the Texas AEYC conference will be in Austin this year on September 4, 5, and 6th.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Holder adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 10:00 AM.

Early Childhood Council
Attendance with 12 Month History

	LAST	FIRST	JAN 2013	FEB 2013	MAR 2013	APR 2013	MAY 2013	JUN 2013	JUL 2013	AUG 2013	SEPT 2013	OCT 2013	NOV 2013	DEC 2013	JAN 2014
1	Black	Albert	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	X		1
2	Breithaupt	Dustin	Appointed 2/14/2013		1	1	1	X		1	1	1	1		1
3	Casini	Sofia	1	1	1	1	1	1		X	1	E	1		1
4	Elsner	Lamy	1	1	1	1	X	1		1	1	1	1		1
5	Holder	Kyle	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1
6	Huston	Aletha	1	1	E	1	1	1		1	X	1	1		E
7	Keith-Thompson	Debra	1	1	E	1	1	E		E	E	1	E		1
8	Koenig	Laura	1	1	X	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1
9	Paver	Rhonda	1	1	1	1	1	X		E	1	1	1		1
10	Porter	Jacquie	1	1	1	1	1	X		1	1	1	1		1
11	Rodriguez	Cindy	1	1	1	1	1	X		1	1	X	1		1
12	Son	Brook	Appointed 2/5/2013		1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1		1
13	Wallace	Avis	1	E	X	1	1	E		X	1	X	X		E
	Total Members Present		n/a	n/a	9	13	12	7	0	9	11	10	10	0	11

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