



## **EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, August 13, 2014**

The Early Childhood Council (ECC) convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 13, 2014, at IBC Bank, 2817 E. Cesar Chavez 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 Dr. Rosamaria Murillo and Ron Hubbard.

The Meeting was called to order by Chair Holder at 9:16 a.m.

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 June 11, 2014, regular meeting Minutes were approved on Council Member Elsner's motion, Council Member Black's second on a 6 - 0 - 1 vote with Council Member Breithaupt abstaining and Vice-Chair Porter arriving after the vote.
5. **PRESENTATIONS:**
  - Dana Perez, CCL Supervisor, Child Care Licensing – Presented recent minimum standard revisions and information about the illegal operations initiative.
  - Jacqueline Porter, Director of Early Childhood, Austin ISD – Presented an update on 4 year old full day prekindergarten in AISD.
6. **WORK GROUP REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS**
  - Executive Work Group – Chair Holder provided updates about the one ECC vacancy and reminded the ECC that officer elections will occur at the October meeting and the nominations will be presented by Council Member Black at the September meeting. Members present completed the term extension forms to be submitted to the City Clerk's Office.
  - Policy and Finance Work Group – The City Council Resolution regarding Pre K enrollment was discussed and members asked that it be on the Agenda for action in September. The ECC suggested updates to the Imagine Austin plan were discussed. The parent engagement project is continuing and has received 363 survey responses so far. Several focus group conversations with parents are scheduled.

- Providers Work Group – Council Member Koenig reported that the work group will continue its work around improving connections with child care licensing.
- 7. STAFF BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS – Dr. Murillo asked for the ECC’s support of HHSD’s application for the Texas Healthy Babies grant and asked for the item to be posted for action on the September Agenda. Ron Hubbard announced that Cynthia Gamez will start work as the Early Childhood Coordinator on August 25<sup>th</sup>. She will serve as the liaison to the ECC.
- 8. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE – No update.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Holder adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 10:43 a.m.

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Attendance with 12 Month History

	LAST	FIRST	SEPT 2013	OCT 2013	NOV 2013	DEC 2013	JAN 2014	FEB 2014	MAR 2014	APR 2014	MAY 2014	JUNE 2014	JUL 2014	AUG 2014	
1	Black	Albert	1	1	X		1		1	1	X	1		1	
2	Breithaupt	Dustin	1	1	1		1		1	X	1	X		1	
3	Casini	Sofia	1	E	1		1		1	1	X	1	Resigned 7/1/14		
4	Elsner	Larry	1	1	1	NO DEC MEETING	1	NO FEB MEETING	1	1	1	1	NO JULY MEETING	1	
5	Holder	Kyle	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1		1	1
6	Huston	Aletha	X	1	1		E		1	1	1	1		1	E
7	Keith-Thompson	Debra	E	1	E		1		E	1	1	E		E	E
8	Koenig	Laura	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1		1	1
9	Paver	Rhonda	1	1	1		1		X	1	1	1		E	X
10	Porter	Jacquie	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
11	Rodriguez	Cindy	1	X	1		1		1	E	1	1		1	
12	Son	Brook	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1		X	
13	Wallace	Avis	1	X	X		E		1	1	E	1		1	
Total Members Present			11	10	10	0	11	0	11	11	10	10	0	8	

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