### **Meeting Minutes**

## Early Childhood, Educational Assistant and Residential Child and Youth Care Advisory Council

# Northland Pioneer College Thursday, April 29, 2009

# Room 205, Painted Desert Campus, Holbrook, Arizona

The meeting was **called to order** at 10:10 a.m. by Robert Zaccaria with the following individuals **present**:

Patrick Canary Dean, Arts & Sciences, NPC

Catherine Mulligan NACOG Head Start Lori Ball ECD Faculty, NPC

Claude S. Endfield ECD Faculty/Program Chair, NPC

Mary K. White ECD Faculty Judy Haubert ECD Faculty

Robert Zaccaria Seba Dalkai School

Mae L. Begay Kayenta Community School
Traci Reed ECD Work study, student, NPC
Gloria Chee Leupp Schools, Inc., FACE Program
Kate Dobler-Allen First Things First RPC Coordinator

Sandra K. Johnson EDU Faculty, NPC

Bernita Kuwaninvaya, Charlene Chischillie, Julia Fairbanks and Julie Fitzgerald were **excused** from the meeting.

After introductions, and brief review of handouts, and until Quorum was reached at 10:20, Ms. Endfield gave the following report/updates:

- ✓ **Spring 2009 FTSE** comparison report
  - Fall 2008 FTSE: **ECD** 90.80 **HUS** 7.80 **EDU** 36.40 Spring 2009 FTSE: **ECD** 96.07 **HUS** 7.73 **EDU** 39.53 Does not include short term classes; HUS & EDU are combined
- ✓ Early Childhood Fair: 190 evaluations received and tabulated into report:263 registered, 43 withdrawals, 37 late enrollees issues: registration; personal comments: eagerness to learn, concerned educators, Snowflake NPC staff did an awesome job,
- ✓ **Apache Families First Conference**: 47 evaluations tabulated 60 people attended: overall successful
- ✓ **DES Scholarships**: About \$2500 available for summer school; paperwork application/reporting process going online in Fall
- ✓ **ECD Gen. Ed. Scholarships**: \$2,500 total, not all used; balance used for Fair scholarships
- ✓ ECD185 ECD Provider Basics: voting done by email; approval received; now in curriculum bank. Consist of a 2 week training/60 hours, also includes EMT 104: First Aid and CPR

- ✓ FCCLA State competition results: Alchesay High School: 9 students, everyone medaled, gold and bronze Holbrook took 4 students; bronze won
- ✓ **Summer plans**: Two Infant Toddler Institute courses presented by Jackie Garner in Whiteriver. HUS Residential class in Ft. Apache. Brain Builder's for Life training by U of A Extension will be offered May 30<sup>th</sup> & June 6<sup>th</sup> in Holbrook at County Fairgrounds.
- ✓ **Graduation**: May 16<sup>th</sup> in Show Low.
- ✓ **Tuition**: NPC tuition will be **increased** to \$52/ credit. Tiered tuition for 4<sup>th</sup> through 7.5 credits still available. However **media fee** of \$35 will be added.

Minutes from the Feb. 3, 2009 meeting were read and corrected. Robert brought out that the minutes should read: "Robert reported the bureau required 32 units for dorm staff, 60 for dorm managers". Also another change: "25 philosophy statements were scored and 5 turned in later. 30 total. Kate made a motion that the minutes be **approved as corrected**. Catherine seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

In response to the announcement that NPC was raising **class size enrollment** from 10 to 15 as a way to expand enrollment and reduce costs, it was decided that a letter be written to Dean Canary and Vice President for Education. "The EC Advisory Council recommends that the EC Programs staff be exempt from the 15 student load and that they continue to serve 10 students per class." Kate made the motion to have the letter written. Seconded by Gloria. Five approved motion. The five voting members present signed the letter.

Kate Dobler-Allen presented an Update on **First Things First** in general and for Navajo- Apache Regional Partnership Council. Quality First programs: 1000 applications were received. Parent Kits are being distributed to hospitals. TEACH: Administrative Home is Assn. for Supportive Child Care. Food Security is being provided in communities. The Healthy Steps Program has been funded and the Early Literacy Programming grant will be reviewed in May. There are two open grants: Oral Health and Parent Education.

**Draft HUS Competency goals** were reviewed with changes recommended. Kate moved that the first draft as amended be approved. Seconded by Mae. Motion carried.

Plans were made for the **Certificate of Proficiency Completer's Ceremony** for May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Tiponi Community Center, PDC, Holbrook. Advisory Council members will donate cakes.

**Fall 2009 Schedule**: HUS 180 will be taught on Tuesday night audio and ECD 250 on Saturdays for 8 weeks. ECD 251 will be taught on Tuesday evenings after HUS 180 is completed.

Third Annual **HUS Residential Child and Youth Care Summer Conference**. The date of August 22<sup>nd</sup> was selected for PDC. Claude, Mae, Kate and Robert will serve as Planning committee. First conference call planning meeting will be May 5<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.

#### **Committee member reports:**

Katherine, NACOG Head Start reported that 3 staff had received their CDA's and several centers were up for NAEYC accreditation.

Lori Ball reported that she will be moving her office to Show Low, White Mtn. Campus.

Judy reported that NoAZAEYC meets every second Monday in Flagstaff. Yavapai college has a student group. She shared her experiences attending Hopi Head Start Cultural day.

Gloria reported that the FACE program at Leupp has been extended to a full FACE program serving 0 to 5. It had been just a Baby FACE program before. They have added center base program to home based program.

Robert reported that they have gone through advanced ed. accreditation. They are looking for a principal, have lost 5 staff due to RIF and that their FACE program is on probation. All enrollments at Seba are going down; some positions are being combined.

Mae reported that at KCS they have lost 6 people with AA's and two more staff due to RIF.. They have had 100 kids in residential with 14 staff. They have a homeless grant and are using Title 7 funds for staff and books. They are hoping to have staff complete 12 hours per year with the staff having their CoPs by next year.

Julie Fitzgerald reported that she will be a coach for Quality First programs. Unsure of areas and programs yet.

**Next meeting** will be **Sept 29<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 a.m. at PDC, Holbrook.

Mae moved meeting be **adjourned**. Seconded by Kate. Meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claude S. Endfield (based on notes taken by Lori Ball)