



Policy Council Meeting
Monday, May 24, 2021 – 5 PM
By Microsoft Teams

Minutes

1. **Call to order**
Call to order by Marcella Gadberry, Policy Council Chair, at 5:10 PM .
2. **Roll call**
Fabiola Romero, Administrative Assistant, did roll call. twelve members attended; quorum was established.

POLICY COUNCIL 20-21	PRESENT	VOTING
EHS HOME BASE		
Karina Acuna - Member	X	X
Vacant- Alt		
EHS CENTER BASE		
Carmen Perez - Member		
Yazmin Castro - Member	X	X
Vacant - Alt		
EHS CCP		
Heather Fontenot - Member		
Ivonne Luna - Member		
Carol Iveth Cermenon - Member		
Vacant- Alt		
HS TEMPE/GUADALUPE/SCOTTSDALE CENTER BASED		
Mayada Mohammed - Member	X	X
Hila Cota - Member		
Alyssa Darden - Alt		
Vacant - Alt		
HS CHANDLER/GILBERT CENTER BASED		
Cynthia May - Member		
Selma Alvarez - Member	X	X
Mirna Barreras - Alt	X	X
Dina Levin - Alt		
HS MESA CENTER BASED		
Maysa Manassra - Member		
Joana Ruiz de Álvarez - Member	X	X
Jacqueline Royalty - Member		
Yuri Alcalá - Member	X	X
Marel Lopez - Member	X	X
Maria Pacheco - Member	X	X
Beatriz Zepeda Diaz - Member		
Nereida Beltran Diaz – Alt		
Krystal Ballain – Alt		
Anabel Campos - Alt		
Esthela Perez - Alt		
Tessa Pluma - Alt		
Vicenta Morales Farias - Alt		
Vacant - Alt		
COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES		
Sarah Agostinho – Member		
Marcella Gadberry - Member	X	X
Reyna Trujillo - Member		
Vacant - Member		
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS		
Cristina Arzaga-Williams (Liaison non-voting)	X	
TOTAL (*10 members for quorum)	11	10

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Additional persons present

	Attendee	Role		Attendee	Role
1.	Doug Alf	Grant Accountant	12.	Nickia Newman	PD Content Manager
2.	Charlotte Camacho	Site Supervisor	13.	LaTonia Rogers	Inclusion Coordinator
3.	Chris DeBois	HS Nurse	14.	Linda Roldan	ERSEA assistant
4.	Eve Del Real	Assistant Director	15.	Fabiola Romero	Administrative Assistant
5.	Rosemary Evans	Site Supervisor	16.	Jaime Shaver	Grant Account
6.	Jen Gualke	Early Education and Operations Manager	17.	Sheri Simmons	Program Analyst
7.	Michelle Jarosinski	ERSEA Coordinator	18.		
8.	Nancy Kessay	Family & Community Partnerships Manager	19.		
9.	Norma Lopez	Family Support Specialist	20.		
10.	Herlinda Martineu	Family Support Specialist	11.		
11.	Maureen Mason	Head Start Nutritionist	21.		

3. Board of Supervisors Liaison Report, Cristina Arzaga-Williams

BOS Monthly Report: *Please see the report for updates.*

Head Start presented a presentation to BOS as part of the Head Start Annual Report. Additional Federal Funds pertaining COVID-19 were approved on May 17th BOS Hearing for the budget period of April 1, 2021, through March 31, 2023. Several lease agreements were approved for the use of the property for Early Education Program. FY22 County budget was adopted; this includes a tax rate reduction, additional funding for public health, and partnerships with other organizations to help address homelessness. Recently, the County received the Federal Recovery Act Funding (CV19 relief) that will help expand programs to assist with rents, utility assistance, and support for local business, along with provided technology device and internet access to School Districts. COVID-19 vaccinations *PFIZER* are now available for anyone over 12 years of age. Please check *Maricopa.gov.PH* to locate your nearest site.

4. Head Start Director's Report, Eve Del Real

Head Start is expecting to re-open and operate June 1st 2021 with 31 classes available in 20 different locations with approximately 50 teaching staff members. ERSEA and Family Services have successfully coordinated with families to help facilitate the enrollment process. The Program is also working in preparing and achieving expectations for the next physical year to resume in-person services during the Fall.

5. Program Services Overview

a. Family and Community Engagement, Nancy Kessay

Family Support Specialists have focused on contacting families to complete assessments, update files, and eligibility to participate in person services during Summer Program. Head Start educational services are currently announcing through the media in Channel 15 as well as Univision.

b. ERSEA, Michelle

Enrollment and Program Services information have up to date reports and is encouraging people to complete walk-in, online or partial applications via telephone. Summer Session will officially begin June 1st 2021 and partnerships will remain close during the Summer. Recent reports demonstrate there are a total of 800 children enrolled in the program and 742 in the waiting list.

6. Nutrition Presentation- Maureen Mason-McCoy

The School District will have available breakfast and lunches for students ages 0-18 years during the Summer Session. Please check interactive mapper <https://www.azhealthzone.org/summerfood/> or directly contact AZ Hunger Hotline at 602.528.3434/ 1.800.445.1914 or text (FOOD)877.877 for Summer food. SNAP benefit increased; *USDA increases Emergency SNAP Benefit to ensure COVID-19 relief reaches those struggling the most.* SNAP will add additional funds to EBT Cards to compensate the meals which are regularly provided in school from dates October 2020 to May 2021. Attached is a PDF that includes exercise cards from Sesame Street. Maricopa County Head Start Consultant Nutritionist encourages families to practice this activity at home to help developed movement skills.

7. April 2021 Financial Statements

- Grants Accountant, Jamie Shaver, reviewed the financial statements.
- **Approval** – Mirna Barerras did first motion. Unanimous approval for April 2021 Financial Statements.

8. Policy Council Minutes

Approval –Marel Lopez did motion to approved. Yuri Alcalá did second motion. Approved by all members present, no opposes.

9. Policy Council Members Reports

There are no reports from the members.

10. Call to the public

No comments.

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11. Adjournment

Yuri Alcala call a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved by all members. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM

Next meeting:

- Monday August 30th, 2021 at 5:00 pm by *Microsoft Teams*

All parents are invited to attend all Policy Council meetings.