

Southwest Consortium of Indian Head Start Programs, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

July 22-23, 2005

San Marcos Golf Resort & Conference Center, Chandler, AZ

Friday, July 22, 2005

Attendees: Jacqueline Bird, Myrna Dingman, Lolinda Lee, Phyllis Antone, Rema Spitty

Guests: Caroline Alcaida, Louise Meir, Faye Smith, Pat Foster, Teri Stringer, Kristi Bentkowski

At 8:55 a.m. a quorum was established and Jacqueline called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

Kristi informed the Board that there would be no Auditor's Report or SWC Financial Statement and IRS 990 and those items were removed from the agenda. With those changes, Myrna motioned to accept the agenda. Lolinda seconded and the motion passed.

Minutes of the February 25, 2005 Meeting

Myrna motioned to accept the minutes of the February 25, 2005 meeting. Lolinda seconded and the motion passed.

Ex-officio Voting

Myrna motioned that Phyllis, as an ex-officio member, be granted full voting rights. Lolinda seconded and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Kristi presented the treasurer's report to the Board which showed all credits and debits to the SWC bank account since the February 25, 2005 meeting. Lolinda motioned to accept the treasurer's report. Myrna seconded and the motion passed.

Reports from State Associations

Arizona - Lolinda presented the following suggestions for the upcoming NACFC from the July AIHSDA meeting:

Training suggestions;

- How to utilize your children to analysis child outcome, and more info on Child Outcome
- Mandates on qualification and experience as an Early Childhood Development teacher
- Presentation on what our colleges have to offer in child development
- What are our Universities doing to meet the Standards? Would like to meet with some front line staff from a University to have answers. (Some suggestions were: University of New Mexico – ABQ, New Mexico Highlands University – Las Vegas, New Mexico State University – Las Cruces, Albuquerque T-VI – ABQ, SIPI – ABQ) Also look at universities in AZ and distance learning options.
- Have a panel of Teachers with qualification in CDA, AA, BA vs. the School District teachers qualification.
- Oral Health Prevention and Intervention
- Transportation – Federal Law, Seat Belts, documentation, info on CDL training how is this obtained, Air Brakes & Bus re-certification, collaboration with your local School District
- Role and documentation needed as an effective Caseworker or Family Service Worker
- Methamphetamine – use of drug is rising, more newborns testing positive, educating our people to cause and effects

Suggestions for theme: “Meeting the Challenges of the Change” or “Embrace Change”

Vendor suggestion: Blue Bird Bus, Caroline volunteered to contact Bus vendor.

Entertainment:

- Karaoke from AZ
- Bus transport participants to mall and casino, Pat Foster will look into arrangements
- Tour of local Head Start Programs: Salt River and Gila River
- Salt River has 4, 65 passenger busses that may be used for transporting
- Salt River and Gila River will have children dance group, incentives for dance group
- Tour of the Heard Museum

New Mexico & Colorado – Jackie gave the following updates for NM/Co:

- Cluster trainings will be held for area programs. The trainings will be provided by SIPI and local TA (Billy Jo Kipp)
- They will be holding a directors retreat in Durango, CO in October
- Many directors had concerns about the lack of accountability at the Federal level regarding reporting turn around times and grant funding.
- Ute Mountain Tribal Council passed a resolution to not administer the NRS. When they were reviewed the reviewers asked about the NRS but when they were told about the resolution the issue was dropped.

Election of Officers

Due to the recent vacancies in Arizona Board member positions Lolinda motioned to table the elections until after lunch when more Arizona directors would be present at the meeting. Myrna seconded and the motion passed.

After lunch the Board discussed length of terms for Board members and no one was sure of the length or if there even was a term length. Myrna motioned to table Officer elections until the Fall Teleconference to allow state associations to work out their board members. Lolinda seconded and the motion passed.

Reauthorization Update

Teri gave a short update on where Head Start reauthorization is and also presented to the Board the NIHSDA’s War Chest letter which asks for support of their advocacy efforts.

Myrna motioned that SWC donate \$5000 to the NIHSDA War Chest. Lolinda seconded and the motion passed.

Conference Report

Kristi and Teri presented the 2005 Final Conference Report to the Board.

At 4:15 p.m. Myrna motioned to recess until 8:30 a.m. Saturday, July 23. Lolinda seconded and the motion passed.

Saturday, July 23, 2005

Attendees: Jacqueline Bird, Myrna Dingman, Lolinda Lee, Phyllis Antone, Rema Spitty, Cheryl Encinas
Guests: Caroline Alcaida, Louise ?, Faye Smith, Pat Foster, Teri Stringer, Kristi Bentkowski

At 9:05 a.m. Jacqueline called the meeting to order.

2006 Conference Planning

Registration Fees:

Lolinda motioned to increase the registration fees to \$175 for Early Registration and \$250 for Late Registration. Cheryl seconded and the motion passed.

Theme:

25 Years of Embracing Change

Comprehensive Services

Head Start Initiatives

Quality Leadership

Traditional Values

Early Childhood Education

Collaborative Resources

Celebrating NACFC's Silver Anniversary

Colors: Silver, Teal and Purple

Agenda:

Sunday, Feb 26

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pre-Intensives

Monday, Feb 27

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Mobile PI – Head Start Program Tour

Tuesday, Feb 28

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Opening Session

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Workshops

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Workshops

3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Workshops

Wednesday, March 1

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Workshops (3hr Workshops here)

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. Workshops

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Workshops

3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Workshops

* Have Make & Take workshop this afternoon

6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Banquet

Thursday, March 2

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Workshops

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Closing Session

Pre-Intensive Topics:

- Disabilities Services Today (Jarma Wrighten – TA, Euel Pitman – TA, Sheldon Benson)
- Observation: Recording, Reporting and Ongoing Monitoring (Claude Endfield, Karen McIlroy, Diana Heward – TA)
- Self Assessment (Toolkit) (Diana Heward – TA)
- Parent Involvement and Family Partnerships (Louis Finney – TA)

*Pre-Intensive participants will receive a copy of the handouts for all topics.

Keynote Speaker Suggestions:

- Opening: AZ State Governor Janet N. (AZ Directors will contact her), Wilma Mankiller (See if Verna can help)
- Closing: James and Ernie

Wed. Night Banquet Agenda:

- 6:00 p.m. – Prayer, Traditional Singers, Children Dancers
- 6:30 p.m. – Dinner (Wild West B.B.Q.)
- 7:30 p.m. – Recognitions, Karaoke/DJ

Tuesday Night:

“Dive In” Pool Party: Need to get prices from Jim on movies and A/V. Also ask about setting up volleyball nets and basketball goals.

Conference Committees and Chairpersons:

- Fund Raising: Caroline Alcaida and Cheryl Encinas
- Door Prizes and Banquet Decorations: Lolinda Lee and Jacqueline Bird
- Children’s Cultural Dance: Caroline Alcaida
- Hospitality: Phyllis Antone
- Fun and Fitness: Cheryl Encinas
- Children’s Classroom and Artwork: Pat Foster
- Make and Take: Faye Smith
- Vendors: Ron Ransom
- Tribal Caucus: Pat Foster and Jacqueline Bird

Other Planning Items:

- A raffle will be held to raise money. The item to be raffled will be a classroom kit made of donated items from vendors.
- Phyllis to get Ira Hayes Post for color guard.
- Traditional Singers from the Pima Nation for banquet.
- Vendors will be located in the Cibola room
- Invite Georgie to the conference and specifically to the Tribal Caucus
- Children dance groups will be from CRIT, Salt River, Gila River and White Mountain will dance at the banquet.

At 12:15 p.m. Cheryl motioned to adjourn the meeting. Lolinda seconded and the motion was passed.