



**PFCE Committee Meeting Agenda & Minutes**

<b>Date:</b> 2.22.24 <b>Time:</b> 9:00am – 10:30am		<b>Location:</b> Zoom <b>Meeting ID:</b> 843 6452 3130 <b>Passcode:</b> 790042	
<b>Committee Chair:</b> Sonya Montoya <b>Committee Vice Chair:</b> Dulce Quevedo			
<b>COMMITTEE HEAD START MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>			
<b>Alhambra Head Start:</b>	<b>Catholic Charities West Side Head Start:</b>	<b>Chicanos Por La Causa:</b> Maribel Viera	<b>Child Crisis Arizona:</b> Beatriz Hurtado
<b>Child Parent Centers:</b>	<b>City of Phoenix:</b>	<b>Deer Valley Head Start:</b>	<b>Fowler Head Start:</b>
<b>Greater Phoenix Urban League Head Start:</b>	<b>Maricopa County:</b>	<b>Northern Arizona Council of Governments:</b> Sonya Montoya	<b>Pinal Gila Community Child Service:</b> Leticia Guzman Janet Aguilar
<b>Southwest Human Development:</b>	<b>Urban Strategies:</b>	<b>Washington Head Start:</b>	<b>Western Arizona Council of Government:</b> Rob Fram
<b>COMMITTEE COMMUNITY PARTNER MEMBERS PRESENT:</b> Peggy Peixoto, Joey Taylor & Jessica Rivera Garcia			
<b>GUEST/VISITOR:</b>			
<b>NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:</b> March 21 <sup>st</sup> at 9:00am			

Topic	Presenter	Minutes
1) Call Meeting to order & Agenda Revisions	Sonya Montoya	Meeting was called to Order at 9:00am
2) Introductions	Sonya Montoya	All members introduced themselves and their program.
3) Strategic Plan Committee Goals:	Sonya Montoya	<p>Members viewed and discussed the 2024 PFCE Committee Action Plan. All members were supportive in its strategies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Much discussion arose around the issue of transportation and the need for more support for vehicle repairs. Across the state this is a concern and is very impactful to families who rely on one vehicle to be successful at their employment and in other areas.</li> <li>• Currently Pinal County has no mass/formal transportation system.</li> <li>• Peggy volunteered to connect with DCS concerning their pilot program for this need and share the information with us.</li> <li>• Discussion also centered around collecting information about representation on local, regional, and state committees as a way of building connections and support. All members will be receiving an email asking for their list of committees and boards currently.</li> <li>• Peggy shared that community connections was theme at the National Home Visiting Summit recently, and that soon they will be working to facilitate “Listening Sessions” in communities to work on that area across that state. All will be welcome, and we will send out the notifications when they become available.</li> <li>• We discussed asking for volunteer programs to work together on how we can best support/enhance our work around vulnerable populations at the local levels. If anyone is interested, please reach out to Sonya.</li> </ul>
4) Committee Discussion Topics	Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sonya asked about any knowledge with the Tempe Homeless Resource initiative that has resulted in strong partnerships &amp; a</li> </ul>

		<p>lowering of Homelessness numbers. No attending was familiar. Sonya will reach out to HS programs in the area to see who a good connection might be.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pinal-Gila recently went through their FA2 review and shared some of their experiences. They are still waiting for results, but takeaways included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Having the documents in CP for ERSEA went very smoothly.</li> <li>• They were able to complete that portion of the review in 3 hours vs. the anticipated 3 days.</li> <li>• Everyone was very prepared with reports and information, but unfortunately not everyone was able to share their great work.</li> <li>• As part of the discussion the conversation about the use of SNAP Cards was asked. Several programs do accept those so long as a name and signature are available. Some are considering changing. Discussion continued around reducing impact to families by taking them at their word with the card vs. potential fraudulent information because no dates are available on the card itself.</li> <li>• Sonya will look into bringing back SNAP partners to present at an upcoming PFCE Meeting to see about options for verifying SNAP eligibility as a potential option for programs to consider. We had a presenter last year, but not everyone was able to take part.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
5) Resource Sharing		Members reviewed the upcoming training flyer from AzHSA & the Children's Equity Project coming up in April. Members will receive a copy soon.
6) Adjourn		Meeting ended at 10:15am
Minutes taken by: Sonya Montoya		

PFCE Committee - Collaboration Office Goals:

1. Long Range Goal #1: HS is involved in the development of state policies, plans, processes, & decisions impacting HS
2. Long Range Goal #2: Families in HS – who need full day services – have increased access to high quality, early care & education services.
3. Long Range Goal #3: Increase the number of children in vulnerable populations served by Head Start. Vulnerable populations include children experiencing: homelessness, refugee status, foster care, and children from military families and with an IEP/IFSP.