



Arizona Head Start Association

PFCE Committee Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Date: September 26, 2024 Time: 9:00am – 10:30am		Location: Zoom Meeting ID: 843 6452 3130 Passcode: 790042	
Committee Chair: Dulce Quevedo Committee Vice Chair: Vacant – Election today			
COMMITTEE HEAD START MEMBERS PRESENT:			
Alhambra Head Start: Penny Lawrence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Catholic Charities West Side HS: Alison Duncan Natasha Neal Juanita Pearson	Chicanos Por La Causa: Lizeth Angulo <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maribel Viera <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elizabeth Soqui	Child Crisis Arizona: Beatriz Hurtado <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Child Parent Centers: Dulce Quevedo <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	City of Phoenix: Claudia Gonzalez Adela Cressler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deer Valley Head Start: NONE	Fowler Head Start: NONE
Greater Phoenix Urban League HS: NONE	Maricopa County: Jacqueline Thatcher <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lucia Cuevas-Gullen Aileen Beinlinch	Northern Arizona Council of Governments: Sonya Montoya <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JoAnn Barela Maria Garcia (community partner)	Pinal Gila Community Child Service: Janet Aguilar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katrina Relph-Mueller <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leticia Guzman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adriana Soto? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Southwest Human Development: Beth Weller	Urban Strategies: Neida Sandoval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Savannah Rhodes	Washington Head Start: NONE	Western Arizona Council of Government: Rob Fram Norma Arreola

COMMITTEE COMMUNITY PARTNER MEMBERS PRESENT:

Maria Garcia – NACOG CSA Peggy Peixoto –MIECHV Patsy Rethore-Larson - ADE Christine Waldbeiser - FTF Joelle Grande - AzDES Jorge Flores - Candelen

GUEST/VISITOR:

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: October 24th, 2024, at 9:00am – 10:30am

Topic	Presenter	Minutes
Call Meeting to order & Agenda Revisions	Dulce Quevedo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting called to order at: 9:06 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Calendar invites sent with agenda ● Minutes - Assistants with minutes - Request was put forth to the committee members with no member volunteering. Meetings will be recorded to best capture meeting information and minutes can be done from recordings. ● Conversation of conversational approaches between teacher & parents. Possible training on new methods of communication with this new generation of parents. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Resource: Touchpoints Approach
Introductions	Dulce Quevedo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduction from committee members - Committee members introduced themselves and mentioned the scope of their work. ● Performance Standards- update - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What & how are your agencies doing with these updates? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PGCCS: share that her agency is working on the updated <u>income guidelines</u> to include Housing and utilities cost to adjust the income helping qualify more families that had previously been over income. Cross discussion of those specific details not clear in the updated HSPPS. Housing Cost is what is mentioned in the HSPPS, but what are the living costs that count ast housing costs.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Breakdown of Income Specific guidelines were provided in the training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ My Peers and NHTSA have tools you can look at and try out that also give help in what you can ask for... ○ This new regulation is that is based on interpretation and the webinars tell you ideas and I think programs have to decide what they will use as part of that 30%. ● Great cross agency discussing and support, information, and guidance was discussed.
Strategic Plan Committee Goals	<p>Dulce Quevedo</p> <p>Sonya</p> <p>Peggy Peixoto (ADHS)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● November 20th - Will training be possible or can we extend till 2025? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Training for PFCE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Trauma Informed Care; Will need to be virtual ▪ Per Jessica: Approval from the Collab Ofc will be needed since it was planned for this year. AZHSA PFCE Subcommittee Action Plan Template 2024.pdf ● Review updates and talk about update Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Read through the update dated 9/23/24 on Action Plan. ● Matrix updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shared Goal 3 document below as a standing document for committee members to update and they experience need on these topics or can provide guidance on specific content. ● Katrina - provided update on her & Sonya committee collaboration work with FosterEd Maricopa Ed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee working on foster children enrolled in HS and their transition to other services. ○ Transportation is a key piece that has been mentioned and a focus for this work. ● Share results from home base information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Interagency leadership team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ homebase slots are currently funded across the state ○ 773 Homebase slots within the state of AZ.

	<p>Christine Waldbeiser(FTF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion trying to maintain home visiting programs & capacity to maintain funding & reducing competition. ○ Provided information about # of slots and where programs are located and what we (HS) offered. ○ Updating MOU with cross agencies, FTF, DCS, AZIEP. & ADE <p>Strong families Homevisiting website as a program finder to find HB programs. https://strongfamiliesaz.com/programs/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Agencies that would like to be included into this program let Peggy know, or ● check to see if your agency is listed - to update any information send email to Peggy. ● Peggy guided committee members through the website ● Family Educators can register as a FE ● Can access FREE recorded training & resources ● FE yearly conference is a wonderful opportunity for FE bringing together all cross agencies. ● To update your programs information on the Strong Families website email info@strongfamilies.org or email me! Peggy.peixoto@azdhs.gov <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FTF - Declining Funding - needing to collaborate cross agency to support the work, value of collaboration with family service providers. How does FTF invest wisely to what is already within the community and providing the services. Servicing families' space. Connecting families to the most appropriate program. ● Happy to be in this space of collaboration!
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<p>Updated Performance Standards 1302.34 (b)(9) 1302.50(a) 1302.21 1302.52(d) 1302.52(d)(1) 1302.52(d)(2) More?</p>	Dulce Quevedo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HSPPS [Tracked Changes] 2024.pdf <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review & Discuss New/Updates for Family Engagement ○ 6 sections- Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Do we discuss each as a group or break off? ○ Your agency update/work ○ Open conversation ○ Quick review of the HSPPS - not enough time to review those pieces in depth. Agencies are working to understand the requirements and meet those deadlines.
Committee Nominations & Elections	Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Committee Elections for Vice Chairperson 😊 for a 2-year term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open the discussion about V-Chair election/nomination & no committee members were interested/unable to take on the position. Chair mentioned to think about the possibility to support the committee, this will be revisited during the next meeting.
Upcoming Events		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Committee Goals & Plan: Due November ● AZHSA: ● November meeting - different dates due training?
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Minutes taken by: Dulce Quevedo		

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.

Goal 3: Issues & Opportunities for Support our Vulnerable Populations

	Transportation	Domestic Violence	Substance Use	Homelessness	Stress	Financial	Training	DCS/Foster Care	Adult Dental Care
<i>Pinal-Gila</i>	1 car for the family +Fuel Cost – United Way has been a help, but not to fulfill all the needs.	Increasing Numbers – Families at enrollment went from 11 to 35 admitting to DV in the home	Meth & Fentanyl Discussing the possibility of Narcan for Home Visitors			Housing concerns. Pinal expensive rent. Section 8 lists are high, 2 year wait. Families are living together, and this is stressful. Small spaces with lots of adults and children Gila – stable and safe housing is a concern. Cost of rent impacting paying for utilities (APS program helps) Trying to connect with SRP and other utility companies to help families have needed utilities. Food costs are higher and this is a concern.	Staff reported they need training about who to call to help families. We are planning resource training for our home visitors and FCA team – inviting community agencies to share services they provide. So far reached out to... Food Bank DV Substance FTF Resource Guide		
<i>SWHD</i>		Julio is reaching out to shelters – challenges with Confidentiality.		Julio is reaching out to shelters – challenges with Confidentiality. +Suggesting making a list or				+Has been connecting with Satellite Programs connected to DCS such as the DES Childcare	

	+Suggesting making a list or taking on an initiative around access & social service support between HS & Shelter's for a win-win partnership. +Approaching connections with a Give & Take approach.		taking on an initiative around access & social service support between HS & Shelter's for a win-win partnership. +Approaching connections with a Give & Take approach.				FastPass office in Tucson and experiencing better connections than the Caseworks themselves.	
NACOG	Car Repairs for families has been a barrier. We have been able to be advocates at community tables for groups writing for grants.	It's an initiative for us this coming year. More resources are becoming available in rural areas than before.	Would like to explore training opportunities for training for HS staff on meeting family needs when we are working with transient-short-term families				We are working to better support the biological families who have experienced their child in foster care. We are finding that they rarely know about resources & opportunities available. +Will be working on getting Release of Information from families in Foster Care to better try and connect with the caseworkers.	
Child Crisis		Are experiencing more behaviors and situations		Caregivers are overw				This has been a need for adults to

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		around this area. They call DCS but it doesn't get addressed because it is seen as a cultural item. Staff are seeing more scents on clothing as well.		helmed. They are resistant to program needs & are being more confrontative than collaborative at times.				be able to find affordable dental care.
				Financial stressors are adding an edge to everyone who is affected.	Families are struggling more financially and much of their funding has been expended because it's the end of the fiscal year. Programs have limits on the amount of times families can access assistance. Have been able to reprogram some unspent funds for people in the 18 – 59 population			

					who have no children but need help.			
MIECHV	+Peggy was able to share the information on the pilot DCS program through the Family Resource Centers to get support with car repairs. A Helping Grand - Concrete Resources Arizona Department of Child Safety (az.gov)		+Peggy currently heads up a screening committee that is working on a support tool for families around substance use and supports and resources. Sonya just joined. +Recommends we use the information Marshalle has shared with out committee to partner with the Best for Babies Court Teams around the state as they are a point of connection for families.					Uptick in prenatal mothers & children experiencing Syphilis. They are working to increase awareness & to have mothers tested. They are trying to encourage providers and others to include as part of prenatal exams.
ADE: Foster Care								Joey noted that at the CAP Conference the focus was on programs for Pregnant/Parentin g Teens & the new initiatives that DCS currently has underway. Need

							<p>to find who the contacts would be to link to since many may not be aware of EHS/HS. +Shared links for Foster Care Points of Contact because they can help with Rights & Awareness about School Homes & EHS/HS. Local Educational Agency & Child Welfare Agency Points of Contact Arizona Department of Education (azed.gov)</p>	
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