The Learning Cornerstone Community Advisory Committee Meeting February 13, 2003

Attending:

Veronica Bailon

Helen Billy

Ella Curtis

June Curtis

Heidi Fulcher

Darlene Inzunza

Pauline Jolin

Lisa Maestas

Sharon Macedo

Charley Mitchell Jr.

Rondi Moore

Wilma Pete

Gail Sadler

Tabatha West

Tomie Zamora

Minutes of November 14, 2003 meeting were approved.

NPC Report:

Heidi Fulcher - Director, Division of Developmental Services, Winslow:

One hundred seventy-five active students receiving ABE scholarship money this spring semester. Making the spring awarded \$15, 285 thus far. Students are receiving a good deal because they pay for three credits and can get up to seven and one half for the same price. Willie Begay finally has an office, which is located at Round Rock. State budget could be cut, need letters of support from everyone for our program.

WIA Report:

Navajo Nation- Trying to get a reporting system on computer, agency report does not match reports from budget. Going to Washington in March for the National Association of Work Force Board Conference.

Navajo County- No cuts from federal money for youth and adult programs. Working on a five-year budget renewal.

Member Reports:

Veronica Bailon - WIA, Winslow:

No report

Helen Billy- NDWD, Chinle:

What is GED Plus? Sounds like something they could use with the Navajo Nation-HUD program. We are not meeting the needs of our clients. Chinle now has GED still moving into new building. Participants are working harder.

Ella Curtis – Div. Soc. Svc. Family Assistance, Dilkon:

Has childcare program with Navajo Nations. The tribe pays for babysitters. Is recruiting for providers in southwest office.

June Curtis - Greasewood NDWD, Greasewood:

No money left in program budget. Not doing any intakes or enrollments but are doing life skills training. Moved into new building inter-net not available yet. Clients do have access to phones to look for jobs. Doing ABE grant referrals. Have some clients disappointed with program because of over-enrollment.

Darlene Inzunza - Navajo County Workforce:

Work experience ok for the program.

Pauline Jolin - Dilkon Financial Asst. Office, Dilkon:

Is a new employee in the financial assistance office at Dilkon.

Lisa Maestas - Director Snowflake Head Start Center, Snowflake:

Sent two parents to take GED test. Does have parents who are not US citizens who need ESL classes.

Sharon Macedo - W. I. A. Case Worker, Winslow/Holbrook:

GED Plus has 15 students at LCC. Life skills classes start on February 24. Last semester 3 students received their GED, 2 are still waiting for results.

Charley Mitchell Jr. - NDWD, Chinle:

New administration doing better job. Have enough money in budget. Enjoying meeting learned a lot.

Rondi Moore- WIA, Show Low:

Life skills class start same day as class at LCC. Students do not get paid to attend classes but receive a stipend of \$3 to \$5 if they meet performance, attend class and go to work. Mary Lou Costales has been a great help with GED. She did say our program would be charged for the test if student does not show up.

Wilma Pete – WIA, Show Low:

No report

Gail Sadler- WIA Case Manager, Winslow:

The office is in the middle of re-certifying clients. Youth council is up and running. Program has seen a rise in youth clients, decline in adult clients and no dislocated workers. The money going for unemployment.

Tabatha West - Family Advocate Holbrook Headstart, Holbrook:

Program has GED books and computer in the office for parents use.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Next meeting:

May 15, 2003 1:00-3:00 DST