NORTHLAND PIONEER COLLEGE

Early Childhood Advisory Council Meeting Minutes Sept. 11, 2012

Painted Desert Campus

Julia Fairbanks, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. with the following present:

Judy Haubert NPC faculty
Bernita Kuwaninyaya Hopi Child Care

Julia Fairbanks Holbrook Unified School District Lori Reynolds Holbrook Unified School District

Ruth Creek NPC EDU/TLC

Catherine Mulligan

Bob Zaccaria

Etta Baldwin

Claude Endfield

NACOG Central Office

NPC faculty/consultant

NPC faculty (FTF NN CDA)

NPC faculty/Program Chair

Emma Morris HUS representative

Sandra Johnson NPC faculty
Kate Dobler-Allen First Things First

Betsy Peck NPC faculty (FTF Recruitment to Field)

Marina Beerli NPC faculty

Cotillion Sneddy NPC faculty (FTF NN CDA)

Emma moved and Bob seconded that the April 24, 2012 meeting minutes be approved as presented. Unanimously passed.

Ms. Endfield provided Program updates as follows:

- ✓ DES/PCPP Scholarships: as of 8-31 74 credits had been registered for 28 students
- ✓ ECD Gen. Ed. Scholarship: \$5,500/year. 4 submitted, 1 funded
- ✓ FTSE: Data chart was presented from Fall 2002 to Spring 2012 ECD FTSE 88.93

HUS 3.20 and EDU 29.60 (combined with other classes)

Drop in ECD enrollment could be attributed to ending of NN Child Care Academy and ending of other FTF funded programs

- ✓ FTF grants/MOUs: Three projects ended June 30th: Apache Families First, Director Mentoring and Community Based Training
- ✓ Navajo Child Care Academy: Ending Sept 30th. July ceremony results shared.
- ✓ Navajo Nation FTF CDA Grant (\$296,874) continuing, 3rd year; up for renewal in July 2013. 30 enrolled
- ✓ Recruitment to the Field: New MOU funded for \$90,000. Staff hired. Recruitment ongoing.
- ✓ EDU Assistant Program in transition.
- ✓ ECD/EDU full time position filled with instructor teaching two classes and facilitating ECD/EDU modules
- ✓ Tuition has increased to \$62/credit in-state and \$305/credit out of state

- ✓ Late fees implemented for all courses on first day of semester except ECD/Edu modules
- ✓ SOAR: Student Orientation required for all students having 12 credits or less. Will not be allowed to register for classes in spring without attending session.
- ✓ REWARD\$: 24 applicants
- ✓ Fall Classes: ECD 251 will be begin online on Oct. 8th.
- ✓ Spring 2013 semester offerings: EDU 220 Preschool Behavior class and ECD 251 will be offered. Some discussion about skype being available for HUS 180. ECD 200 offered also on Video I. Discussion about need for ECD 221 Stress Management.
- ✓ Alchesay High School dual enrollment program had 5 successful completers awarded CDAs during summer.
- ✓ Information was distributed on the CDA 2.0 revised program beginning June 1st and the CDA Amnesty Program which will expire Dec. 31st for all expired CDA credentials.

Member reports:

Lori Reynolds: HUSD School House Pals Director reported 93 students at high school interested in early childhood. 52 sophomores, 2nd and 3rd year students have a two-week rotation between the child care center and high school class. Has a part time position open.

Kate Dobler Allen: FTF Director announced there are three new Regional Partnership Council members; 1 seat vacant. Lab School plans progressing and hopefully by 1-1-2013 to begin with NAVIT dual enrollment to do observations. Want to open with 5 star rating which could be a model for high quality program. Oral teledentistry available in Navajo County. RPC will be being planning for FY 14 in November. CLAS training available for instructional support on 18th October.

Sandy Johnson: Edu faculty shared two newspaper articles about education reform and education cuts in AZ. She reported 18 NAVIT students were working towards AA degrees.

Marina Beerli was introduced as the new fulltime ECD/EDU faculty member who is teaching two classes this Fall, one on audio and video, with modules at Hopi and St. Michael's and Navajo, NM child care centers, plus a few modules in Show Low and Holbrook.

Catherine Mulligan, NACOG Education Specialist reported Early Head Start had moved to new location at Christian School behind Flagstaff Mall. Black Canyon City center has moved to Home Base option. They have begun an I Pad research project with NAU with focus on math and literacy.

Bob Zaccaria has been doing some temp work (90 days) at Winslow Dorm as counselor and doing some consultant work with Tohono Odom. He has been also providing some

training at Hunter's Point and facilitating some classes with a few NPC students in Winslow and Holbrook residential dorms.

Judy Haubert reported she has 16 students enrolled in the CDA Prep class and distributed new NAEYC/NoAzAEYC membership forms.

Betsy Peck, Recruitment to the Field faculty, reported so far she has 5 centers enrolling in classes and 5 head start centers with 48 students, 12 new and 18 continuing.

Bernita from Hopi Child Care reported she has two staff to be assessed for their CDAs and is participating in the Quality First funded Hopi Language preservation program. Their program does serve some children in childcare off Reservation.

Cotillion Sneddy, moved from adjunct faculty to full time faculty July 1st for Navajo Nation CDA Project. She has had 3 apply for assessments with one awarded.

Etta Baldwin, faculty member for NN CDA Project is serving mainly Ft Defiance agency areas.

Julia Fairbanks had to leave but left a note reporting that she has a high school student helping her in her classroom. 50% of students in her classroom have special needs. New equipment has been installed on playground, which is shared, by School House Pals and pre-k students.

Next meeting will be from 10 to 2 on Tuesday, Jan. 15th at Painted Desert campus.

Bob moved meeting be adjourned. Bernita seconded. Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claude S. Endfield, ECD Program Chair