

Interim CD/ED Conference Call Agenda 5/15/09 1-3 pm

Call In numbers 1-888-808-6959 code 9226706

Members participating in the call:

Enrique Escallon	Judy Owen	Jill McElyea
Michele Polland	Kathy Henderson	Sandy Osborn
Susan Gold	Renee Valletutti	Selina O'Shannon

Staff participating:

April Katine Allison Cruz-Mitchell

- I. The following task force members volunteered to be on the RFP review committee for Implementing Universal Educational Education Practices: **Council Members: Enrique Escallon, Michele Polland, Susan Gold, and Renee Valletutti. Resource Members: Lillian Sigler and Sandy Osborn.**

- II. April explained that there was no money allocated in 2009 current budget to do implement the Survey for Early Childcare Providers. There is \$50,000 in our 2009 travel budget and it does not look like we need so much in our travel budget. Recommendation: Move \$10,000 of travel budget for this project.
Discussion followed that \$10,000 may not be enough to carry out this survey. Susan asked if this had to be an RFP process and Allison answered it could be done through quotes.

Enrique motioned to use up to \$20,000 to do the Early Childcare providers survey and if it could be done for short of 20,000 the remainder would go back into the travel budget. Renee Valletutti seconded the motion. The motion carried.

To do: Kathy Henderson asked for April Katine to tighten up the specification of the proposal and send it out to the task force.

- III. Early Childhood Development Awareness Forums – April Katine, program manager recommend we use \$70,000 in our proposed 2009 budget for this project. April refreshed everyone’s memory on what this project entailed.

Enrique Escallon motioned to use \$70,000 to put out an RFP for the Early Childhood Development Awareness Forums. Jill McElyea seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- IV. Our possible part of additional money \$110,000 – discussion
It was discussed that we could not make recommendations to Kathy about what to use our share of the money for until the conference call was complete and how much money each task force would get was decided. After that is known, April Katine, CD/ED program manager will put out several suggestions based on the amount of money and the task force can then add to the suggestions. Allison indicated if it was a small amount of money one use of the money to consider might be to reprint the First Steps Publication.

- V. Life Experiences – scholarship update
Jill reported that she met with the director of Life Experiences and they are meeting again next Wednesday to go over possible applications for the scholarship. Jill was not sure if the applications were just for UNF students or all applicants. April Katine will check with the program director to ensure that the choice is between all applicants.

- VI. Legislative Priorities

- a. Now – Restraint and Seclusion (review rule)

The task force wanted to send their comments on the reasonable force rule to April Katine, CD/ED program manager in order to have more time to review the material. April will then compile all the responses into one response and give the report to Margaret Hooper, our public policy staff member.

VII. The task force indicated that Restraint and Seclusion was a very important issue. They wanted this to be a priority. The task force also felt that both ESE Guaranteed Allocation and Protect Early Steps, Florida's Part C was important to keep monitoring and make sure there are no cuts to these programs/areas. The task force felt like McKay (VPK count as 1st year, students on partial day, Hospital homebound, medically necessary) was not a very big priority and we did not need to monitor activity in this area any more.

VIII.

- a. April Katine provided information on training on Scoring for RFP process. Please be watching for this information it should be coming out soon.
- b. Please remember to provide April with recommendations and information (name, contact info and why you think they would be good candidate) for new resource members by June 1st!
- c. April also indicated to task force members that we would have to make some tough budget decisions at next task force meeting.