



Meeting Minutes

21 Centers in Attendance, 49 attendees:

Resource Centers in Attendance: AZCEND, Benevilla Family Resource Center, Buckeye Family Resource Center, Care1st Avondale Resource Center, Chandler CARE Center, Chicanos Por La Causa-Parenting Arizona Family Resource Center, Creighton Family Resource Center, Deer Valley Family Resource Center, Gila Bend Family Resource Center, Glendale Elementary School District Family Resource Centers, Heart of Isaac Community Center, Lutheran Social Services Family Resource Centers, Paradise Valley Family Resource Center, Pendergast Family Resource Center, Peoria Unified Family Resource Centers, Phoenix Families First, Scottsdale Family Resource Center, Tempe Elementary School District Thrive to Five Family Resource Center, U of A Roosevelt Early Childhood Family Resource Center, Valleywise Health Family Learning Centers and Washington Resource & Information Center.

Decision Points

- A motion to approve minutes from the June 4, 2020 meeting was made by Tamara Floyd from the U of A Roosevelt Early Childhood Family Resource Center. The motion was seconded by Jannelle Radoccia from the Lutheran Social Services Family Resource Centers. The motion carried, and the minutes were approved as is.

Updates

Family Resource Advisory Committee (FRAC):

Governance & Evaluation:

Rebecca Birr from Valleywise Health Family Learning Centers provided the update.

- The committee is currently working on the transition of the new FRAC officers into their new positions. The new FRAC officers were voted on by the FRN via an online survey. 70% of FRN members cast a vote; only 51% was required to make the vote official.

Public Awareness:

Jacqueline Clark from the Washington Resource & Information Center provided the update

- The FRN is asked to please submit pictures from their respective FRC's for the virtual FTF Summit Reception. Jacqueline will send out a reminder email to the FRN with more information.
- The [FTF Early Childhood Summit](#) will be held virtually on Tuesday, September 1, 2020. Registration is currently open.

Parent Engagement

Leonor Garcia from Lutheran Social Services Family Resource Centers provided the update.

- The committee mentioned that they would like to see more professional development around the idea of maintaining and sustaining a Parent Advisory Council.
- The committee will be working to submit a proposal to the FRAC around the idea of hosting an annual diversity celebration at an FRN meeting.

FRN Consultants:

Mara de Luca Funke and Aimee Sitzler from the FRN consultant team provided the update.

- The annual professional development survey will be going out to members of the FRN. Filling out the survey is highly encouraged.
- This year's professional development opportunities will focus on organizational sustainability, leadership development, virtual engagement strategies and anti-racism.
- Mara asked the group if additional training was needed around FRN website management/support. There was no overwhelming request, so Mara suggested that anyone who does need help may reach out to her directly.
- Aimee mentioned that the Early Childhood Nutrition Team (ECNT) has created a food resource handout that will be emailed to members of the FRN. This hand-out is intended to be used by FRN staff to help families connect to food resources and not intended to be distributed to families.
- The FRN received 30,000 cloth face masks for distribution at each FRC. The Public Awareness committee will be working to help distribute the mask to each FRC. Procedures on how to request mask will follow.

Legislative:

- No legislative update provided at this meeting.

First Things First (FTF):

Aimee Sitzler provided the update on behalf of Annette Bourne.

- There has been no change in the SFY 2021 Standards of Practice regarding being able to count virtual events or workshops as a parenting activity. FTF is aware that most parenting activities will be done virtually for the foreseeable future and they encourage reporting these efforts in the quarterly narrative report. In the same respect, all Regional Partnership Councils have been made aware of this policy and they will anticipate low numbers for this fiscal year.
- There are no immediate plans to offer any data template or referral tracking training to the FRC's. The idea of having a discussion around the data template or referral tracking at the October 2020 FRN meeting was brought up.
- FRN members are encouraged to reach out to their respective Regional Directors for more information or with their questions.

Member Updates:

- Renato Ramos from CPLC shared that his FRC is offering trauma informed training and would be willing to work with the FRN to offer a training specifically for members.
- Briselda Rodriguez from Phoenix Families First will share a resource for face masks.
- Tamara Floyd shared that her FRC is offering Storytime and STEAM activities in English, Spanish and Arabic, online.

Guest Speaker:

- Cecilia Hermosillo from the Valley of the Sun United Way joined the meeting to talk about the [ASQ-3](#) online developmental screening for children, 0 to 5 years. FRC staff are encouraged to share this tool with their families in order to help track their young child's development and connect to helpful resources. FRN members are welcome to email Cecilia at chermosillo@vsuw.org for a link to the online screenings in order to share it with the families they serve.

FRN Host Presentation:

A special ad-hoc committee was established to address and respond to the current social justice/equity issues facing our nation. This Anti-Racism Committee hosted this month's FRN meeting. Tamara Floyd and Mara de Luca Funke provided information around the work the committee has embarked on.

- The committee has identified three objectives to drive their work:
 - Integrate a monthly trainings around racial issues or topics.
 - Integrate an overtly anti-racist component into FRN professional development topics.

- Develop a pre-vetted anti-racism resource list.
- Tamara and Mara lead the group in an [online exercise](#) related to racial bias and followed-up with conversations on what the exercise may have revealed about our own implicit biases.
- The committee shared that FRN members are welcome to join the committee and that more resource will be shared as they become available.
- FRN members are welcome to send Tamara and Mara resources they feel may be relevant or appropriate for the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:44 AM

Next FRN meeting - Thursday, October 6, 2020 –via ZOOM.