

**Metropolitan Education Commission
Executive Board Meeting
MEC Office, 930 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ.
WEDNESDAY, April 20, 2016, 7:30 a.m.**

MINUTES

Attendance: Members present: Dr. June Webb-Vignery, Pat Wiedhopf, Bill Ardern, George Favela
Members absent: Paul Lovelis, Dr. Kasey Urquidez, Deborah Embry
Non-members present: Edward Nossem

1.0 CALL TO ORDER – PAT WIEDHOPF

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL – PAT WIEDHOPF

Roll call was conducted; a quorum was established.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – PAT WIEDHOPF

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was recited by all attendees.

4.0 APPROVAL OF APRIL 7, 2016 MEETING MINUTES – PAT WIEDHOPF

Motion to approve: George Favela

Second: Bill Ardern

Motion approved unanimously.

5.0 DISCUSSION OF 2016-2017 HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING

On April 12, 2016, the City of Tucson Community Services sent the MEC an email regarding the MEC's application for Human Services funding for the Regional College Access Center, which the MEC had submitted at the end of January 2016. The contents of the email were as follows:

TO: Applicants for Human Services Funding FROM: Sally Stang
Director of Housing &
Community Development

SUBJECT: FY2017-FY2021 Human Services Funding Allocations

At the April 5, 2016 meeting of the Mayor and Council the following action was taken concerning the FY2017-FY2020 Human Services Plan: It was moved by Vice Mayor Uhlich, duly seconded and PASSED by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Resolution No. 22550, with an amendment to the Human Services Plan that would retain the current funding for the first year of the Plan, and implement the new funding for the remainder of the Plan. Pursuant to this action by the Mayor and Council, the draft FY 2017 Community Development Annual Action Plan will be amended to reflect the Human Service programs and funding allocations in the current fiscal year 20 16 Annual

Action Plan. The FY 17 Annual Action Plan will be considered by Mayor and Council for approval following a public hearing on May 3, 2016.

Dr. Webb-Vignery called the City for clarification, and was informed that some agencies that had previously gone through the application process would receive the grant, along with their new applications. The MEC was to not receive the grant for 2016-2017, despite previous assurances to the contrary.

In the recent past the City of Tucson's funding for the MEC is in the General Fund and not Community Services; the Community Services funding would be in addition to the regular MEC funding, and be used for the RCAC.

It was decided that meetings would be set up with the Mayor and City Council members to discuss the issue. We will also inquire with City Manager Michael Ortega, who is scheduled to address the MEC at today's (April 20th) MEC Regular Meeting. We will also ask MEC Commissioners, YAC/TTC members, and RCAC Student Ambassadors to attend the May 3, 2016 Mayor & Council meeting to make the case for the RCAC funding.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT – PAT WIEDHOPF

Motion to approve: Bill Ardern

Second: George Favela

Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.