

# SA2020 COMMISSION ON EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

11:30 AM

Café College, 131 El Paso, San Antonio, Texas, 78204

Members Present: Anita Fernandez, District 1 Representative  
Lester Bryant, Chair, District 2 Representative  
Rita Uresti, District 3 Representative  
Dr. Sofia Bahena, District 7 Representative  
Maryann Jarrell, District 10 Representative  
Dr. Emily Calderon Galdeano, Mayoral Representative

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Member Absent: Julius Lorenzi, District 5 Representative  
Philip N. Taele, District 6 Representative  
Paul Martin, District 8 Representative

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Staff Present: Ana Acevedo, Education Policy Administrator, City of San Antonio

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Others Present: Maria Fernandez, Collective Impact Director, SA2020

## **1. Approval of Minutes from June 24, 2015 Meeting**

Anita Fernandez motioned to approve minutes. Maryann Jarrell seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

## **2. Introduction of new members [Ana Acevedo, Education Policy Administrator, City of San Antonio]**

Each of the new commissioners introduced themselves: Rita Uresti, District 3 Representative; Dr. Sofia Bahena, District 7 Representative; and Dr. Emily Calderon Galdeano, Mayoral Representative.

## **3. Review of by-laws and purpose [Lester Bryant, Chair, District 2]**

New members were encouraged to read and review by-laws.

## **4. Selection of Vice Chair and Secretary [Lester Bryant, Chair, District 2]**

Lester nominated Anita for Vice Chair. No one else was nominated. Anita accepted position of Vice Chair. Anita nominated Maryann for Secretary. No one else was nominated. Maryann accepted the position of Secretary.

## **5. Pre-K 4 SA update [Ana Acevedo, Education Policy Administrator, City of San Antonio]**

Ana shared information about the RFP that was issued in early November for Pre-K 4 SA grants. Eligible applicants include any organization that provides Pre-K 4 education. The three categories are: public/charter schools; private schools; and child care centers. Grant application deadline is December 18, 2015.

## **6. My Brother's Keeper update [Ana Acevedo, Education Policy Administrator, City of San Antonio]**

Ana shared an update on the status of the My Brother's Keeper steering committee work. My Brother's Keeper is an initiative that seeks community support to improve life outcomes for young men of color. The Mayor is expected to announce the Strategic Plan in February 2016. Maryann suggested that targeting young men of color sounds discriminatory. Others on the Commission asked her to explain her thinking behind

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that. Everyone agreed that messaging and communication needs to be a priority for My Brother's Keeper so that no one perceives the initiative as discriminatory.

## **7. SA2020 update [Maria Fernandez, Collective Impact Director, SA2020]**

Maria shared information that SA2020 was compiling a list of partners. She said that she could send us a list of education providers that are partnered with SA2020. Maria mentioned that SA2020 was talking to the San Antonio Area Foundation about helping organizations build their capacity for program evaluation so the organizations could articulate their impact and outcomes.

## **8. Announcements**

No announcements.

Lester motioned to adjourn the meeting. Anita seconded the motion.