

Policy Council

Kids Are First, Inc. Policy Council Minutes May 1, 2020

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome		
Call Meeting to Order/Establish Quorum	<p>Lidia A. Puente called the meeting to order at <u>10:08 AM</u></p> <p>Roll Call Quorum was established with <u>8</u> members present.</p> <p>Members Present:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lidia A. Puente, LBJ2. Mayra Rangel, Secretary - LC.3. Imelda Montes – Pearsall4. Jennifer Gonzalez – Pearsall5. Sergio Sierra – LBJ6. Stephanie Maldonado – Pearsall7. Amanda Esquivel – Seco Mines8. Denise Rodriguez – Rosita Valley <p>Members Absent: Jorge Cruz – Carrizo Elizabeth Rodriguez – LC Dulce Castillo – LC Yadira Salazar – Cotulla Susan Belding – Frio Rep. Lupita Fuentes – Mav. Rep. Alberto Esquivel – Dim. Rep.</p>	<p>Meeting was called to order and a quorum was established at 10:08 AM</p>
Approval of Agenda	<p>Approval of the agenda as presented.</p>	<p>First motion to approve the agenda was made by Mayra Rangel Second Motion made by Amanda Esquivel Motion Carried</p>
Reports for April 2020 A. Program Director	<p>Program Director greeted Policy Council Members and hoped all are doing well and staying safe. Announced a short agenda due to only new item on the agenda.</p>	

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Old Business	No discussion	No action
New Business	<p>COVID – 19 Application Kids Are First is proposing to purchase all the materials and supplies necessary to continue complying with all federal guidelines, Head Start Performance Standards, policies and procedures, and local requirements for the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>Health and Safety Support COVID-19 To ensure a clean and safe operation through the prevention, early detection and control of COVID-19 in our educational facilities program is purchasing monthly environment Control with Virucide sanitizing of centers, Non-contact forehead Infrared thermometer Gallon of Hand Sanitizer, Facemask, Vinyl gloves, Lysol disinfecting spray, Disposable shoe covers and Disinfecting wipes.</p> <p>Mental Health Support on COVID-19 To provide mental health support including training, strategies to help children and families displaying trauma/challenging behaviors including all program staff, children and families on vital topics such as working with children struggling with trauma, providing support to families and identifying levels of emotional, psychological, and physical distress that may disrupt a child's ability to function in a classroom setting, identifying common family and child reactions to trauma, and supporting families during recovery. Provide education and support on COVID-19 including dangers and strategies to remain safe and healthy. KAF is proposing to hire a mental health consultant for 245 hours to provide services to those in need. At the same time, we are requesting the purchase of the Curriculum of Conscious Discipline to support the social and emotional well-being of</p>	<p>Action Required</p> <p>First motion to approve the COVID – 19 Application Amanda Esquivel Second motion was made by Jennifer Gonzalez All in Favor Motion carried</p>

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	<p>teachers, children and families due to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>Educational Support</p> <p>Kids Are First is proposing to purchase the Creative Curriculum digital resource for 15 EHS and 35 HS classrooms plus the purchase of 185 Hatch tablets for Head Start Children. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Kids Are First had to adapt and implement a learning environment that required the use of technology</p> <p>SUMMARY</p> <p>Summary Total for the proposed items:</p> <table><tr><td>Health and Safety Support</td><td>\$37,345</td></tr><tr><td>Mental Health Support</td><td>\$30,169</td></tr><tr><td>Educational Support</td><td>\$136,066</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Total: \$203,580</td></tr></table> <p>Questions:</p> <p>Amanda Esquivel asked how many tablets program is proposing to purchase?</p> <p>Program director mentioned 185 based on the data collected of children transitioning and also to supplement the program with more tablets for the children.</p>	Health and Safety Support	\$37,345	Mental Health Support	\$30,169	Educational Support	\$136,066	Total: \$203,580		
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Executive Session	No discussion	No action								
Open Forum	None	No action								
1. Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 10:22 AM	Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Amanda Esquivel Second motion made by Denise Rodriguez All in Favor Motion carried								

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Approved by: _____
Lidia, America Puente, Policy Council President

Date: _____