



## Early Childhood Education Task Force

January 15, 2016

Mesa Counts on College Access Center  
635 East Broadway Road, Mesa, AZ (South entrance)  
(Take stairs to 2<sup>nd</sup> floor meeting room)  
Meeting Begins at 1 p.m.

Dr. David Luna, Chair	Rhonda Anderson, Member	Jake Brown, Member
Mike Hutchinson, Member	Paul Luna, Member	Dr. Anjum Majeed, Member
Cynthia Melde, Member	Linda McKeever, Member	Allison Mullady, Member
Nancy Salmon, Member	Dr. James Zaharis, Member	Deanna Villanueva-Saucedo, Member
Dr. Dawn Foley, Member		

1. Call to order and welcome by Task Force Chair and D5 Councilmember, Dr. David Luna.  
Call to order at approximately 1:10 pm by Chairperson Luna. Members Jake Brown, Paul Luna, Linda McKeever, and Allison Mullady were absent
2. Review and take action on the Task Force meeting minutes of January 8, 2016.  
Approved.
3. Hear opening remarks by Chair, Dr. David Luna.  
Completed. Reminder of the Mayor's State of the City event with an invitation to all task force members to attend. Doodle poll for next meetings to be set-up, please respond.
4. Hear an overview of the Draft Task Force Report by Natalie N. Lewis, Deputy City Manager  
The key audience for this report is the Mayor and the City Council and it should outline key findings thus far of the task force. Today's objective to finalize the report with task force feedback. Noted that this is not the end product of the task force and additional meetings will result in additional information and an updated report being sent to the Mayor and Council.
5. Participate in a facilitated discussion to reflect on and evaluate the content of the report related to these topics:
  - a. Does the report adequately articulate the Task Force's key findings that define the challenge and opportunity related to early childhood care and learning in Mesa?
  - b. Does the report accurately convey the Task Force's sense urgency and importance around the need to ensure that Mesa's children arrive at kindergarten ready and able to learn?

Karen Kurtz, facilitator, conducted a discussion and evaluation of the report with task force members. Task force members discussed the convincing points, what needed clarity and strengthening, grammatical and word choice selection, as well as the graphic.

6. Discuss scheduling of future Task Force meetings February-April 2016.

Doodle was sent electronically to all members to select their availability for future meetings. Goal is to have one meeting in mid-February, one meeting in March and possibly two meetings in April.

7. Adjourn meeting (Motion and Second)

Chair Luna adjourned at approximately 2:20 p.m.

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