



EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA
LAKES REGION
SERVING CLAY, DICKINSON, O'BRIEN, & OSCEOLA

Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 1, 2018
Hartley Public Library – 91 1st Street SE – Hartley, Iowa

Vision:

Every child, pre-birth through age 5, will be healthy physically, emotionally, intellectually and spiritually.

Mission:

Early Childhood Iowa: Lakes Region will provide services collaborative to families and children pre-birth through five years for the purpose of improving the quality of life for families with children.

Attending:

Voting Members Attending

1. Kristi Robinson
2. Edward Jones
3. Dan Friedrichsen
4. Mary Sloan
5. Bill Leupold
6. Paula Edwards
7. Barry Anderson
8. Luke Wynja
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- 10.

Perspective

- Business
Board Supervisor
Board Supervisor
Education
Board Supervisor
Health
Faith/Board Supervisor
Parent Representative

County

- O'Brien
Osceola
O'Brien (arrived 9:40 AM)
Clay, Dickinson, O'Brien, Osceola
Dickinson
Dickinson
Clay
O'Brien

Quorum present *Recorded excused absence

Voting Members that are absent

*Carly Shaw

Perspective

Human Services

County

Clay, Dickinson, O'Brien, Osceola

Others Present (Non-Voting)

Paulette Karolczak
Carol Chicoine
Jessie Hansen
Shakira Meyer
Holly Giesen
Collen Paulson
Jon Donovan
Serina Bates
Lori Richardson
Brittany Smith
Jennifer Stutman

Agency

ECI LR Director
ECI Fiscal Agent- UDMO
KIDS Program Coordinator
UDMO Hand in Hand Director
ECI Lakes Region Program Service Coordinator
Best Care Better Babies Clay
United Healthcare
Hope Haven
Hope Haven
United Healthcare
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1. Call to Order/Adopt Agenda/Comments from the Public

Mary Sloan called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

Adopt Agenda: The agenda for the March 1, 2018 board meeting was sent out prior to meeting for the board members to review. Motion was made by Barry Anderson to approve the agenda; Second was made by Kristi Robinson; All ayes; Motion passed.

Comments from the Public: Board members and public attendees introduced themselves and share: A barrier to services that you ran into with your own family when kids were small.

2. Approval of Minutes:

The February 1, 2018 ECI Lakes Region's Board meeting minutes were e-mailed out to all the Board Members to review prior to the meeting. (Dan Friedrichsen took over meeting) Motion was made by Mary Sloan to approve the minutes; Second by Bill Leupold; All ayes. Motion passed.

3. Treasure's Report:

The financial report was emailed to Board members prior to the meeting. Carol Chicoine and Kristi Robinson reviewed and reported the January 2018 financial report and expenditures. Motion was made by Luke Wynja to approve the Treasurer's report; Second was made by Barry Anderson; All ayes; Motion passed.

4. Director & Program Director Reports:

Director's Report: Paulette Karolczak, Director

The Director's report was emailed to Board members for their review in advance of the meeting. Paulette briefly reviewed her director's report with the board.

Program Service Coordinator's Report: Holly Giesen, Program Service Coordinator

The Program Service Coordinator's report was emailed to Board members for their review in advance of the meeting. Holly briefly reviewed her coordinator's report with the board.

5. Old Business:

A. New Board Membership – Faith Rep Paulette Karolczak stated that Merlin Sanders fled put in an application for the Faith Representative in which they discussed and tabled in February meeting. Paulette stated that she talked to Merlin Sanders fled. He stated he does not have any grandchild using any of the ECI LR funding. His application is available for discussion. Paulette stated that there were 2 pastors that she had been in contact with; she spoke with one of those pastors. Pastor Derek Okine submitted an application. Paulette reviewed this application with the Board members. Board asked questions and had discussion about the 2 applicants. Motion was made by Edward Jones to have Derek Okine join the ECI Lakes Region Board as a Faith Representative. Second was made by Luke Wynja; All ayes; Motion passed.

B. Community Plan Indicators –Board reviewed and discussed the indicators. Board decided on the following indicators:

- Immunization Children (children immunized at a public clinic by age 2)
- Incidence of child abuse (percent of confirmed abused children age 0-5 of total confirmed abused children ages 0-17)
- Low Birth weight (percentage of live births weighing at less than 5.5 pounds at the time of birth)
- Quality Learning Environments
- Children In Poverty
- Dental Services

6. New Business:

A. United Healthcare Presentation Brittany Smith representative from United Healthcare presented about their program Healthy First Step. She stated that it is a program that helps mother have a healthy and best pregnancy experience. The nurse visits the mother and helps them find an OB if needed. They will help with transportation to appointments so the mother is able to attend all appointments. They will have a home visitation nurse that will make visit if members enroll. They have many benefits to becoming a member, such as providing them with a cell phone so then they are able to obtain other programs and services (baby blocks, myhealthline, Text4Baby, KidsHealth, and NurseLine. Jon Donovan from United Healthcare also passed out general information on their services.

B. Annual RFP for FY19- Paulette Karolczak, ECI LR Director sent out the annual RFP renewal form to the Board to review for any changes before sending it out to the funded programs. Board reviewed the form and did not have changes to the questions. Paulette stated that she will send it out to the funded programs on Friday.

7. Future Agenda Items

- A. New Member Committee – Expired Board Terms
- B. 3rd quarter reports

8. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Edward Jones; a second was made by Luke Wynja; All ayes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly J. Giesen,

ECI LR Program Service Coordinator

The next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

Board members are encouraged to access the

Early Childhood Iowa State website at www.earlychildhoodiowa.org

OR

Early Childhood Iowa Lakes Region local website at www.ecilakesregion.com