

Dallas County Early Childhood Committee

Minutes/Notes

June 25, 2015

28059 Fairgrounds Road

Adel, Iowa 50003

9:45 A.M.

Attendance

Debb Franz, Jenny Felt, Lisa Mickelson, Jovanka Westbrook, Ashley Weiderin, Myra Willms, Vivian DeGonzalez, Chris Lee, Michelle Greenough and Debra Schrader.

Announcements and Information

Legislative Update - The Iowa Legislature adjourned June 5, more than 30 days after they were supposed to. The Governor has yet to sign the Education bill which has the ECI funding in it.

4 R Kids Contractor meeting - A FY16 contractor meeting will be held July 27 from 12:00-3:00 at the Madison County Extension office. Other interested parties may attend from 12:00-1:00 if they wish to participate in a categorical funding stream training. RSVP to Deb if you are planning on attending.

4 R Kids Board - The Board is looking for a board member for Dallas and Adair County, preferably a male as they are seeking gender balance.

Dallas County Resource Directory - DCAT will be printing a resource directory by June 30 and hard copies will be available at the next meeting. The directory will also be in a user friendly format and located on the DCAT/CPPC website that is currently being developed.

CPPC Survey - A survey was conducted the Boone/Dallas Mental Health conference June 4, 2015 and the results were shared with the group. CPPC/DCAT will use the results in future planning. Others indicated they would also use the information for grant writing. Below are the results for Dallas County. There is also a document for Boone County available.

Dallas County Results	
Top 3 Issues	Dallas County
Top 3 issues that kids struggle with the most today (menu of 9)	Mental Health Parent Support Violence
Top 3 issues that families struggle with the most today (menu of 10)	Family Support Mental health Substance Abuse
Top 3 greatest resource need in the county that they serve/live (menu of 8)	Mental Health Transportation Basic Needs

CBCAP Grant - The CPPC met June 18, 2015 at 1:00 at Woodward and voted to apply for the funding. Deb assisted Jenny in writing the grant for group parent education (Dallas and Boone) for Parenting Way and Parents as Teachers home visitation (Dallas) for Partners in Family Development in the amount of \$29,400. Jenny will take the grant to the DCAT board on June 26 to get approval for submittal. Awards will be announced August 28, 2015. This is a three year funding.

CHNA/HIP - Dallas County Public Health will begin the needs assessment process on June 30 from 12:00-2:00 at the Adel Library, everyone is encouraged to attend.

Child Care - There was discussion regarding violations of a DHS licensed center in Dallas County.

Serving Non-English Speaking - Rich conversation revolved around the needs for translation services and where agencies go to get it. CTS Language Link (<https://www.ctslanguagelink.com>) is what Dallas County Public Health uses, but there is a cost involved. It was noted that there are very few know resources available. This will continue to be topic of conversation.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45

The next meeting is August 27, 2015 at 9:45.