

Warren County Early Childhood Committee

Minutes/Notes

November 6, 2013

10:00 A.M.

515 North Jefferson Way

Wells Fargo Building

Indianola, Iowa 50125

Attendance

Val Cameron, Janelle Peiffer, Myra Willms, Michelle Greenough, Bonnie Forsythe, Liz Young, Jovanka Westbrook, Irvin George, Cynthia Moffitt, Colleen Theis, Nannette Schroeder, Kay Peck, Kim Post, Colleen Reinser, Linda Hayden, Allison Moreland, Pamela Bruce, Jodene DeVault, Joy Rouse, Lisa Procter, and Debra Schrader.

Announcements and Information

Collaboration - Partners in Family Development announced they will be collaborating with CCRR in Perry in sharing space. PFD will be sharing space in Winterset with Lutheran Service in Iowa with the New Parent Program.

Play Experience - Deb announced she attended the Play Experience on Saturday November 2 in Des Moines and it was a great training not only for child care providers but for parents and other interested persons.

PAT Training - Jovanka announced that there will be a national Parents as Teachers training in Indianola November 21-22.

Turkey Dinner - A free Thanksgiving meal on November 28 will be offered to any family and is sponsored by the Grace Evangelical Free Church in Indianola.

Preschool Experience - Deb shared the preschool experience rate that was recently collected. The Warren County preschool experience rate is 89.4%, the 4 R Kids Area is 84.9%. Dallas County has the lowest rate of 80.3%. The overall preschool experience rate has declined by .5% from last year to this year. It was suggested to ask each school how they collect the data, such as from the parent, child or from the schools preschool data base.

Indicators - The 4 R Kids ECI indicators were reviewed. The board will review the indicators at the December board meeting. It was noted that child abuse rate data may need to be considered as an indicator.

Family Support Map - The Warren County family support programs are working on a family support map with case scenarios. It was suggested that the ministerial association be apprised of the document once its finished. A meeting after this meeting will take place to work on the project.

Appreciation Reception - The 4 R Kids Appreciation Reception is December 5, 2015 from 5:00-7:00 with a 20 minute program at 6:00.

LOE - It was announced that the LOE visit is set for April 17, 2014 in Adel Iowa. More information will be forthcoming.

1st Five - Jodene and Pamela provided a presentation on the 1st Five initiative.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10. The next meeting is February 5. There will be no December or January meeting.