

**4 R Kids Program and Service Committee Minutes**  
**Friday November 7, 2017**  
**9:00 A.M.**

**Attendance**

Meeting began at 9:00 A.M. and Khristan Kaufman, Judy Schwartz, Janice Jensen, and Debra Schrader were in attendance.

**United Health Care Grant**

Managed Care Organization United Health Care, has awarded \$3,500 to the 4 R Kids Board for back to school backpacks for at risk preschool students that will be identified by the Preschool Enrichment project. A check will be sent to Lakeshore for 190 backpacks.

**FY17 First Quarter Report** (*information*)

The committee reviewed the first quarter reports from contractors. Below are a few of the highlights.

- All contractors quarterly reports were submitted timely, by October 15, 2017.
- 19.2% of school ready funds has been expended and 28.4% of the early childhood funds have been expended. Overall spending is at 20.0%, on target is 25%.
- There are no major concerns with the contracts at this time.
- Notes of interest include the following:
  - The Parents as Teachers program that is administered by Southwestern Community College has undergone staff changes and is rebuilding the program.
  - The Parents as Teachers program administered by Partners in Family Development has a waiting list.
  - The Maternal Child Health Program administered by Dallas County Public Health has conducted 6 of 10 required dual visits with the New Parent Program administered by Lutheran Services in Iowa.
  - The family support programs are serving a high percentage of families at 125% of the federal poverty level.
  - The Quality Improvement Project administered by Dallas County ISU Extension has seen challenges with child care trainings which is primarily due to changes at the federal level.
  - Preschool tuition scholarships have shown a decrease from last year to this year.
- A summary of the report will be provided to the November 16, 2017 board meeting.
- A copy of the 1st Quarter progress reports are located at [www.4rkids-eci.org](http://www.4rkids-eci.org).

**Lunch & Learns**

A second lunch and learn in Warren County is scheduled for **11-14-17** from 12:00-1:00 in collaboration with Grow Warren County Economic Development and Madison County Economic Development and will be held at the Grow Warren County board room in Indianola.

A third lunch and learn is scheduled in Adair County for **11-17-17** from 12:00-1:00 in collaboration with the Greenfield Chamber and it will be held at the Greenfield Chamber of Commerce.

Next meeting is Friday February 2, 2018 at 9:00 via telephone conference.

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:40.