

## Warren County Early Childhood Committee

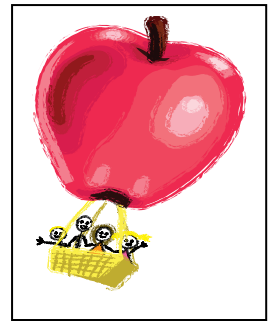
Minutes/Notes April 5, 2017

10:00 A.M.

Wells Fargo

515 N. Jefferson Way

Indianola, Iowa 50125



### Attendance

Lisa Proctor, Veronica McVay, Bonnie Forsythe, Megan Bernholtz, Dawn Holt, Leslie Stonehocker, Val Cameron, Myra Willms, Michelle Greenough, and Debra Schrader.

### Introductions

Leslie Stonehocker facilitated the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves and what they do when they are stressed.

### Roll and Read

A Roll and Read event will replace the Toddlerfest this year; it will be May 7 from 3:00-5:00 at Banner Lakes Summerset Park. Agencies are to contact Jovanka Westbrook at [jowestbrook@partnersinfamilydevelopment.org](mailto:jowestbrook@partnersinfamilydevelopment.org) or 515-962-1020 if you want to be a sponsor.

### 1st Five Coalition

1st Five Coalition and Warren County Prevent Child Abuse will be offering a viewing of Paper Tigers April 24 from 6:15-8:30 at Farm Bureau in Indianola. Contact Veronica McVay at [veronicam@warrencountyia.org](mailto:veronicam@warrencountyia.org) or 515-961-1074 for more information.

### Child Abuse Awareness

Child abuse awareness month is April and the Warren County Prevent Child Abuse Council has several activities planned. There is a proclamation from the Warren County Board of Supervisors, cookies at Hy-Vee, Blue out day, police day, Papa Murphy's night, bake sell at the church, Fareway cash containers and pinwheels to name a few activities. Contact Val Cameron for more information.

### Warren County Wellness

The Warren County Wellness Coalition will meet today at 12:30 at House of Mercy. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Head Start

Head Start is accepting fall applications for preschool. There has been little response in Warren County at this time.

### Core Services Assessment

The Early Childhood Committee completed a "core services" assessment that was requested from Early Childhood Iowa. The purpose of the assessment is to identify the perceived level of service for service types in the five result areas. This will provide a snapshot of the available statewide services, service types and potential gaps. Overarching results were services may be available in the County but is difficult to obtain due to challenges like transportation and waiting lists.

### Next Meeting

Next meeting is May 3, 2017 at Wells Fargo, 2nd Floor, 515 N. Jefferson Way in Indianola Iowa.