



Warren County Early Childhood Committee

Minutes/Notes

September 3, 2014

10:00 A.M.

515 North Jefferson Way

Wells Fargo Building

Indianola, Iowa 50125

Attendance

Leslie Cran, Liz Young, Rachell Bardwell, Jovanka Westbrook, Shelly Jensen, Janelle Peiffer, Michelle Greenough, Myra Willms, Val Cameron, Kate Honer, Donna Clay, Leslie Stonehocker Bonnie Forsythe, Bonnie Forsythe, and Debra Schrader.

CCRR - Janelle Peiffer announced she will be leaving CCRR but it will be a few months before she moves.

Health and Safety Fair- Warren County will have a Health and Safety Fair September 11 from 3:00-6:00 on the Courthouse lawn.

1st Five - There will be an informational meeting about 1st Five September 18th from 6:30-7:30 at the Methodist Church.

Here Now and Down the Road - Classes will begin September 4 at 6:00 at Interstate 35 schools.

Candidate Forum - There will be a legislative candidate forum October 8 at Simpson College and all 5 candidates have committed to attend.

HIRTA - There was a transportation meeting in which 30 people attended and concern was expressed about the lack of transportation.

Meeting with Lt. Governor - Deb and the Bob Ockerman the ECI Board chairperson secured a meeting with Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds. Four items were discussed, restore funding to the 2008 funding levels, change language to allow for 5% administration, delete the fiscal assessment requirement and delete the categorical funding requirements.

FY14 Annual Report - The 4 R Kids Annual Report has been completed and the board will approve it September 11. It is to be noted that of the \$1 million allocated, more than \$500,000 was spent on family support and at this time the state REDCap system has yet to provide any data. The report will be submitted by September 15 if the data is not received. An executive summary was provided to the group.

Google Calendar - There is a Google calendar on the www.4rkids-eci.org website. It has a lot of meetings and events.

FY15 Programming - an updated list of current programming was disseminated.

Child Care Statistics - Leslie Stonehocker provided an overview of the child care statistics for Warren County. There are 148 total early childhood programs listed with CCRR of which 34 are non-registered; 47 programs have a QRS; 2,815 total spaces; average cost of care in a child development home is \$130 a week and \$176 in a DHS licensed center; 82% of families with all parents working with children under the age of 6.

Adolescent Sexual Health Facts- Eyes Open Iowa published a report about adolescent sexual health facts on each county.

Dentist map - a map of dentists that take Medicaid has been drafted and is located on the 4 R Kids website.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00. The next meeting is October 1, 2014.