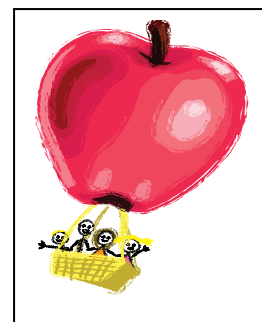


Warren County Early Childhood Committee
Minutes/Notes March 7, 2018
10:00 A.M.
Wells Fargo
515 N. Jefferson Way
Indianola, Iowa 50125



Attendance

Val Cameron, Kelli Phelps, Bonnie Forsythe, Jovanka Westbrook, Veronica McVay, Holly Sealine, Vicki Brenner Dawn Holt, and Debra Schrader.

Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and the agencies they serve and shared if they could choose an age forever what age would they choose.

Baby Box - Partners and Family Development is assisting the Baby Box program. The program provides free baby boxes to parents. A baby box was on display for participants to view. The baby box program started in Finland as a message that the government wanted to show their support for early childhood.

First Five - A coalition meeting was held February 28, 2018 at 12:00 at the Indianola Library and will plan to meet quarterly

Resilience Film - Warren County Child Abuse Council will have a showing April 12th at 6:30 at the Farm Bureau office in Indianola, the public is invited to attend.

Mothers and Baby Study - Partners in Family Development will be part of an 18 month research project that covers Dallas, Madison, and Warren County. The project will focus on post partum depression. Moms need to be in early pregnancy and no more than 33 weeks and 16 and older to be part of the project. By participating participants can receive up to \$60 in gift cards.

Roll n Read - Partners and Family Development will sponsor a Roll n Read event April 22, 2018 from 3:00-5:00 on Simpson Campus. Those who are wanting to be a sponsor is to contact Jovanaka Westbrook at jowestbrook@partnersinfamilydevelopment.org or 515-962-1020.

CBS - Oprah Winfrey will be on 60 minutes Sunday March 11 to talk about trauma informed care/ACES.

Elephant and Piggy - The Norwalk library will be repacking the Toddlerfest for Warren County and will offer a different event called Meet Elephant and Piggy and will be April 7th from 2:00-4:00. Agencies may provide brochures about their program and the library will stuff bags to hand out to participants. It is planned to have 250 bags. For more information contact Holly Sealine at athsealine@norwalk.iowa.gov or call the library. The library is also looking for helpers for the day.

Warren County Human Service Coalition - At the Warren County Wellness Coalition it was mentioned that there is no standing Human Service Coalition in Warren County and that maybe efforts could be combined with the Early Childhood Committee to have a more comprehensive approach with agencies serving 0-99. More discussion will be at the next meeting.

FY19 Meeting Calendar - The meeting calendar was reviewed for FY19 and it mirrors FY18. Meetings will be the same location, time and day of the month.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is April 4, 2018 at Wells Fargo, 2nd Floor, 515 N. Jefferson Way in Indianola Iowa. Future ideas for presenters are IMPACT, Evelyn Kay Davis Center with Partnering 4 Success, Choice, and Warren County Housing authority.