

**Success 4 Kids
&
Adair County Early Childhood Committee
Minutes/Notes
Tuesday March 12, 2022
Held by Electronic Means - Zoom
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Meeting began at 2:00.

Attendance

Lisa Carstens, Dawn Walton, Amanda Wahlert, Kirsten Johnson, Courtney Neal, Hannah Vader Kopsa, James Larson, Stephanie Claussen, Megan Davidson, Taylor Sullivan, and Debra Schrader.

Announcements and Agency Updates

- ZION Prevention Specialists have successfully completed the workplan goal of Drug Free Workplace Trainings to 25 people. We have reached out to the religious sector and law enforcement sector to engage them in prevention efforts and assist with planning deliverables.
- The Prevention staff attended the Iowa Drug Endangered Conference with presentations from Dr. Ira Chasnoff and “The Tall Cop” Jermaine Galloway. Both speakers did a phenomenal job and are highly recommended.
- Lisa Carstens, ZION Integrated Behavioral Health Services, shared March was Problem Gambling Awareness Month. According to the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission, Iowa bettors wagered a record \$303.3 million in January. The previous Iowa sports betting handle record was \$287.2 million in November of 2021. The January 2022 handle is a sharp increase of 103% over January 2021, the first month without in-person registration requirements in Iowa. The state did collect \$964,525.43 in sales tax revenue from sports wagering. She also shared she just completed a 5 class-period Stacked Deck training with all 7th and 8th graders at Orient-Macksburg School. This curriculum educates students on the history of gambling, recreational gambling vs. problem gambling, what the house edge is, etc.

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- Treasures Report – no changes from the last report
- FY22 Contractor Update – It was reported that trainings are scheduled in Stuart, Fontanelle, and Greenfield. CIAC is in need of everyone helping spreading the word of the trainings. The goal is to train 70 adults in Adair County.
- Awareness Activities – Adair County Board of Supervisors endorsed a child abuse prevention proclamation. Other activities include Facebook posts.
- FY23 contract – The Success 4 Kids council has submitted information for the contract renewal for sexual abuse prevention.
- Child Abuse Data – DHS has released 2021 child abuse data, there was a 121 child abuse reports up 27 from the previous year, 45 children abused up 8 from 2022; 34.5% of children were under the age of 5.
- Save the Date – The child abuse prevention conference is May 11-12 and will be virtual.

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- CPPC/DCAT – No report.
- 4 R Kids Board – The board has a full board with 3 representatives from each county.
- Legislative update – bills of interest were reviewed.
- 2021 Health Rankings – Data was shared, Adair County ranked 59 for overall health outcomes in Iowa and increased by 11 spots from the previous year; rankings are on a scale of 1-99 with one being the best.
- Medicaid Births – Data was reviewed; Adair County had 42.4% of births paid with Medicaid funding.
- Café Program – Connections Area Agency on Ageing has a café program for Adair County for those 60 and older, participants can receive 15 meals a month; Dugout Café in Orient, Olive Branch in Greenfield and Bridgewater Café participate, suggested cost is \$3.50 per meal.
- FaDSS – The Family Development Self Sufficiency Program will be administered by SCICAP out of Chariton starting July 1, 2022.
- Candidates – House and Senate candidates and districts were reviewed.

Next Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 3:00. The next meeting will be June 14, 2022 @ 2:00 p.m. and will be in person at the United Methodist Church in Greenfield.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Schrader, ECI Director