

Partnerships 4 Families

September 21, 2018

Meeting Took Place at New Opportunities in Carroll, Iowa

Members present: David Brown, Sarah Zach, Heidi Clark, Ann Semprini and Area Director Cindy Duhrkopf

Excused: Chad Wittrock, Genelle Deist, Karen Gotto

Guest: Jeff Anderson, Angela Lensch

Quorum was met.

Sarah Zach called the meeting to order in the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair at 10:45 a.m. Members introduced themselves and welcomed guests.

Brown made a motion to approve the agenda, Semprini seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed by the Board. Semprini moved to approve the minutes as written and Clark seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Public Input-none

AREA DIRECTORS REPORT

Statewide Area Directors Meeting: October 10,

October 3rd 20th Year Celebration

State ECI Board Meeting: September 7, 2018

Early Childhood Stakeholders Meeting: September 11, 2018

Western Iowa Area Directors Meeting: November 27, 2018

Early Childhood Task Force meetings: October and March

Early Childhood Formula: Phase in over 4 years (Base 5%, 0-5 Pop 35%, 185% of FPL 0-5 6-%)
Will begin in FY19

Social Media/Facebook: Continue to promote items every Tuesday or more often

Preschools:

- Application are available, only 24 so far
- Two preschools may not be participating this year
- Yearend report will be included in the annual report

H.O.P.E.S.:

- Encouraging programs to increase enrollment
- Set three regional meetings for the coming year
- Requesting ASQ kits from MIECHV for free
- Final newer staff is taking the Family Development Specialist training
- 5 of 8 staff have passed the Institute for Family Support Professional. Three are working through the modules. Not yet a state requirement. Will be given one year to complete when finalized.

Child Care:

- Working with any contacts regarding increasing child care slots
- Participated in the Iowa Women's Foundation in Greene Co and Manning
- Revisiting discussions in Stuart with a meeting October 16th

Board Support

- Would like 4 more board members

EC Collaboration: Reaching out to some who have not attend ECTF in past to attend

Area Director PD: Developing system of electronic record books

FY19: All items in place with state for FY19

P4F Board PD: Mid cycle review

Area Director Schedule: Flexing hours over four days most weeks

Old Business

Seconded reading of Proposed By-Law Change to Reduce number of official meetings to four per year. Clark made a motion to accept the second reading and to waive all further readings. Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor; the change was approved.

New Business

The FY 18 Annual report was reviewed with the board and carry forward was discussed. Brown made a motion to approve the FY18 Annual Report Semprini seconded the motion. All were in favor. The report was approved and filed. Input will be sought at the P4F Early Childhood Task Force meetings regarding the use of the carry forward funding.

Community Plan Priorities were reviewed and discussed on how each will be worked on in the coming year:

1. Building and connecting our early childhood system
2. Child care both the accessibility and quality of care
3. Reaching families through social media

Mid Cycle Review and State Update was provided by Jeff Anderson, a final report of our review will be provided. Overall he said that our contracting is appropriate and documentation was in order. He also provided the board will an overview of the new designation cycle.

Designation Process and Needs Assessment was tabled to our November meeting.

Other Business-None

Financial Report and Business

Financial Reports & Vouchers were reviewed by the board. Brown made a motion to approve the financials, Semprini seconded the motion. All were in favor. The financials were approved.

Next Meetings

Board members attending the ECTF meetings will take the place of the Board meeting.

November 16, 2018 10:30-Noon New Opportunities Room

Semprini made a motion to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded by Clark the meeting was adjourned at 11:58 AM

Minutes Respectfully submitted by: Cindy Duhrkopf