

Partnerships 4 Families

February 17, 2017, 2016

Meeting Took Place at New Opportunities in Carroll, Iowa

Members present: Amy Carpenter, Teresa Ball, Dawn Rudolph Marilyn Tilley, Sarah Zak, Genelle Deist, Karen Gotto and Area Director Cindy Duhrkopf  
Excused Chad Wittrock, Diane Riggert, Tim Jones, Keith Pedersen,

Guest: Jeanie Running, Sara Skinner, Peggy Dentlinger, Alex Willey

Quorum was met.

Chair, Teresa Ball called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Members introduced themselves and welcomed new members and guests.

Carpenter made a motion to approve the agenda, Zak seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved.

Minutes of January 20, 2016 meeting were reviewed by the Board. Rudolph moved to approve the minutes as written and Carpenter seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Public Input-none

## **AREA DIRECTORS REPORT**

### **Early Childhood Community Plan**

- Meeting in March

**Statewide Area Directors Meeting:** April 19, 2017

**State ECI Board Meeting:**

**Early Childhood Stakeholders Meeting:** February 28, 2017

**Western Iowa Area Directors Meeting:** TBD- had Feb 8th

**Early Childhood Task Force meetings:** March 2016

**Core Services Committee-**Short Term-Developing template

**Early Childhood Formula:** Change TBD in May

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

**Early Childhood Task Force Meeting:** Our March meeting will focus on collaboration, needs of the area, what are families doing with less child care

**1000 Books before Kindergarten:** Continue to engage libraries in promoting the program.

**Preschools:**

- 10 school districts signed up for a date

**H.O.P.E.S.:**

- DAISEY reporting system now up and going.
- Wealth of information coming out of DASIEY reports
- Encouraging programs to increase enrollment, Average length of stay 15 months

**Child Care:**

- Plan in Greene County moving forward

**Board Support**

- On site program visits in January
- Electronic materials back up

**Area Director PD:** none scheduled at this time.

**FY18:** Will request full RFP

**P4F Board PD:** Family Support

**Area Director Schedule:** No major time off scheduled at this time. Anticipate time off in May for grandchild.

**P4F Board PD:** Formulas, funding and how we can allocate

**Area Director Schedule:** Will have some vacation time in June to utilize.

#### Old Business

FY17 Budget Reduction Update was given. Duhrkopf provided some recommendations based on discussion from January and information she has received from the ECI Office. Carpenter made a motion to cut \$13,000 from the literacy program, \$6,000 from New Opportunities Dental contract, \$1000 preschool admin, \$1000 from Child Care Project preschool funding for a total of \$21,000. Ball seconded the motion. All were in favor motion passed.

Rudolph made a motion in the event of cuts to early childhood funding that the Child Care Project would be cut \$1800 and Child Care Resource and Referral \$1500. Deist seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

#### New Business

FY18 Budget Reductions were discussed, Duhrkopf has been told that we should anticipate a 5% cut. Duhrkopf is also seeking bids from potential agencies to provide fiscal services and employer of record services. She will have the information by the April meeting.

Conflict of Interest were signed by all board members and submitted to the area director.

Contract Reviews have been conducted on all contractors for FY17.

Annual Review of Indicators was conducted by the board. Zak made a motion to accept the indicators as presented, Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor, the indicators were accepted.

H.O.P.E.S. Program and DAISEY update was given by Sara Skinner and Peggy Dentlinger.

#### Other Business

#### Financial Report and Business

Financial Reports and vouchers were presented. Deist made a motion to approve the reports and vouchers. Rudolph seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Carpenter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Rudolph seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:44 AM.

#### Next Meetings

April 21, 2017

No March meeting

10:30-Noon New Opportunities Room D

Minutes Respectfully submitted by: Marilyn Tilley