

Partnerships 4 Families

November 17, 2017

Meeting Took Place at New Opportunities in Carroll, Iowa

Members present: Genelle Deist, Karen Gotto, Chad Wittrock, Diane Riggert, David Brown, Area Director Cindy Duhrkopf

Excused: Keith Pedersen, Marilyn Tilley, Sara Zach, Guest: Sara Skinner, Peggy Dentlinger, Phyllis Woodley

Quorum was met.

Chair, Diane Riggert called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Members introduced themselves and welcomed guests.

Wittrock made a motion to approve the agenda, Gotto seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved.

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

Public Input

Statewide Area Directors Meeting: December 6, 2017

Will start having webinars between state meetings

August Webinar discussed updates to designation process

August Webinar topic is family support- HOPES staff are invited to listen in

State ECI Board Meeting: January 2018

Early Childhood Stakeholders Meeting: December 12, 2017

Western Iowa Area Directors Meeting: February 27, 2018

Early Childhood Task Force meetings: Four county meeting March 21, 2018

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:

- 56 students to date-funds maxed as of November 6th with additional funds
- Convening the preschool committee on December 14th in Guthrie Center

H.O.P.E.S.:

- Encouraging programs to increase enrollment
- 4 county meeting September 21, checked inter rater reliable on LSP

Child Care:

- Community Need Plan complete with First Children's Finance, they are looking at land options.
- Working with any contacts regarding increasing child care slots

Board Support

- Have done outreach in Guthrie County for new board member
- Renewal for board insurance is in process

EC Collaboration: Focus at state level to enhance and track collaborative efforts. I will try to highlight collaborations that have taken place at meetings.

Area Director PD: Attending webinars both state and some national level ones. Gaining information that I share with others. One was on electronics and young children. We are to teach children to be users of electronics not just consumers.

FY17 Annual Report: All programs were responsive to needs; we will cover individual projects at monthly presentations.

FY17 AUP: AUP performed August 22nd, no issues at that time, waiting for final report from auditor- November meeting

FY18: Budget shortfall in FY17 will affect FY18, expect cuts.

P4F Board PD: Annual report, EC Community Plan, By Laws

Area Director Schedule: Flexing hours over four days most weeks

Old Business

Evaluation of Area Director was shared with the board.

FY17 Carry Forward Allocation was discussed. Gotto made a motion recommending that the additional carry forward be held in the event of a state cut. Wittrock seconded the motion. All were in favor. The board will evaluate the situation at each board meeting.

New Business

AUP Draft Report is available from the accountant. The final will be provided once New Opportunities complete audit is available.

Performance Measurers-were presented and discussed. Deist made a motion to accept the performance measurers, Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor; the performance measures were accepted.

Advocacy to Legislators was discussed. We will approach a HOPES family to share their story with legislators.

H.O.P.E.S. programs provided an update on their programs and the counties they serve.

Other Business

Financial Report and Business

Financial Reports and vouchers were presented. Brown made a motion to accept the reports, Gotto seconded motion. All were in favor, reports were approved.

Next Meetings

December No Meeting

January 19, 2018 10:30-Noon New Opportunities Room D

Wittrock made a motion to adjourn, Brown seconded the motion, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM.

The meeting ended at 12:00 PM Minutes Respectfully submitted by: Cindy Duhrkopf