



BVCS EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA

3 –COUNTY BOARD MEETING

June 27, 2018 time: 10:00 am – 12:00 am Trinity Lutheran Church 612 S Dewey, Odebolt

TOPIC	DISCUSSION, CONCLUSION, RECOMMENDATION, EVALUATION, ACTION	ACTION
I. Introductions and Call to Order	Dave Muhlbauer called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Introduction were made.	
<p>Attendees: Board Members: Annette Koster, BVCS ECI Program Director; Dave Muhlbauer, Crawford County, Elected Official (by phone); Jane A. Petrick Loux, Sac County, Grandparent; Mike Bunde, Crawford County Education; Rhonda Ringgenberg, Buena Vista, Elected Official (by phone); Mollie Scott, Sac County, Human Services; Janette Clausen, Crawford County, Faith; Stephanie King, Head Start/Early Head Start, Early Childhood (by phone); Mona Schulte, Business. Quorum Met            Board Members Absent: Tracy Terry, Buena Vista, Health; Amanda Collins, Law Enforcement.            Public: Sara Harson, CCR&amp;R (by phone); Linda Collins, Parent (by phone); Janette Zaudt, Parent (by phone); Travina Jefferson, Trescott Montessori Preschool (by phone); Deb Gimer, Child Care Nurse Consultant; Wendy Love Child Care Nurse Consultant; Kim Fineran, Crawford County Home Health, Hospice &amp; Public Health; Jackie Duffy, Sac County Health Services; Melissa Juhl, Child Care Resource &amp; Referral.</p>		
II. Public Comment 3 minutes per person:	<p>Travina J shared information about her Trepson Montessori Preschool program.            Janette Z provided input on Trepson Preschool from a parent’s viewpoint. Sara H shared the QRS application has been sent into DHS for Trepson Preschool for Child Development Home B, aligned with preschool type program.            Deb G visited with Travina 4 or 5 times, completed two assessments for health safety and quality. She completed recommendations in a timely manner.            Kim F introduced new Child Care Nurse Consultant Wendy Love to the Board.            Wendy L shared nursing experience and expressed looking forward to work of the CCNC.            Melissa J reported changes to Child Care Resource &amp; Referral (CCR&amp;R) Retta Mitchell resigned, restructure to cover counties.            Sara H will be the Child Care Consultant for Buena Vista County and Jamie Huster will serve Crawford and Sac Counties.</p>	
III. Approval of Agenda  Approval of Previous Minutes	<p>Motion by Mollie S to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Janette C, a vote was held, all in favor.            Motion by Jane P L to approve the May 30th, 2018 minutes. Seconded by Mona S, a vote was held, all in favor.</p>	<p>Motion Carries             Motion Carries</p>
IV. Early Childhood Iowa		
Financial Reports: School Ready/Early Childhood  CCR&R Child Care Consultant – Budget	<p>Annette K presented the May financial report. She reported on track to be under the 20% carry forward requirement. May have budget Program Director line item changes. Motion by Ranell D, seconded by Mike B, a vote was held, all in favor.             Annette K shared that CCR&amp;R will no longer need funds from BVCS Early Childhood Iowa to fund the Child Care Consultant (CCC) position. In CCR&amp;Rs Request for Renewal the Business Improvement Plan and Provider Development were an option. Annette K shared Tool M and Tool O, to explain program. Annette K asked if Melissa J could present to the Board to further explain what transpired. Melissa J shared every six years CCR&amp;R writes a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) to continue services. The RFP was renewed and they were in contract negotiations at the time many Early Childhood Iowa areas were determining funding. Following negotiations with DHS had to cut funds. Resulted in staff being reduced and one staff resigned. In the past the consultant position was a 50/50 split with BVCS ECI, appreciated partnership. Provided map with consultant coverage going forward. In nine years ago had 2500 child care provider today at 774, loss of providers led to looking at CCC caseloads. The new scope of services for CCR&amp;R, starting July 1 will be paid to recruit along with processing Child Care Home applications. New performance measure to increase number by 1. Iowa is losing 30 to 40% of child care providers per county.</p>	<p>Motion Carries</p>

	<p>Encouraging to continue to fund CC&amp;R by investing \$10,000 in conferences. Invest in the Business Investment Program (BIP). Re-vised budget provided to Board. Melissa gave the board the history of this program. BIP was designed increase quality in child care environments, by removing barriers. BIP follows the new IQ4K (revised Quality Rating System) when released. It also provides any child care environment to participate in increasing quality. Discussion was held by Board members. Annette K shared other option from Tool G Early Childhood Iowa use of funds for Early Childhood funds. Further discussion on BIP application and processes, number of providers in the three counties. Mollie S made a motion to increase Provider Development to \$10,000.00 and \$30,000.00 into the BIP program. Review the BIP program after one year reevaluate data. Motion seconded by Jane P L, a vote was held. All in favor. Remainder of funds \$3,197.20 to be determined.</p>	<p>Motion Carries</p>
<p>Family STEPS/Prevent Child Abuse</p>	<p>Family STEPS had comment in budget presented to the Board in their Request for Renewal that mentioned funds received from Iowa Child Abuse Prevention (PCA) grant would reduce funds needed from BVCS ECI. Revised budget shared with board shows the BVCS ECI granted amount, amount received from PCA, difference between the two with percentage split to support the Family STEPS Program. Kim F request for extra funding for an additional person to be trained in the Family Development Specialist Certification to provide services. Work out an agreement with Buena Vista and Sac to provide services in an employee absence. Discussion was held. Rhonda R asked if the Family STEPS program would be fully funded with PCA and BVCS ECI funds, yes. Motion by Mollie S to accept funding changes to Family STEPS, Increase Oral Health, and Preschool Scholarships as presented: Buena Vista Family STEPs 127,897.00, Crawford Family STEPS 121,094.00, Sac County Health Services \$64,999.00, Preschool Scholarships \$90,888.00, Webster County Oral Health \$7,700.00 and Crawford Oral Health \$10,179.00, \$5,349.00 to be determined at a later date due to last minute change with STEPS program. Seconded by Jane P L, a vote was held, all in favor.</p>	<p>Motion Carries</p>
<p>Board Membership</p>	<p>In need of two Board Members Faith and Business Representative. Janette C and Mona S have decided not to continue for another term. Thank you for you services. Janette C has two people in mind, she will contact. It was recommended to ask Laura Beeck to serve as the business person.</p>	<p>Recruitment</p>
<p>Preschool Scholarship</p>	<p>Have had a request from a child care home provider to offer preschool scholarships to Trepson Montessori Preschool. The owner/teacher is qualified with a Master in Education plus experience in teaching child development at a community college and lead teacher in a State/Federal lab school. Discussion was held on receiving funds from Child Care Assistance (CCA), if those children would be eligible to receive Preschool Scholarships. Annette K will get confirmation on the CCA guidelines. 11:45 Rhonda R left the meeting. Discussion was held on meeting the Preschool Scholarship guidelines of Quality Rating Scale Level three or higher. Trepson Montessori Preschool has the application turned in with point to quality at a Level 4, but will have Iowa State ECERS for a Level 5. Mollie made a recommendation to move forward with providing Preschool Scholarships, the Board is in agreement.</p>	<p>Quorum still maintained. Recommendation to provide scholarships</p>
<p>Director Update – Annette Koster</p>	<p>Budget for Fiscal Year 19 was approved by the State on 6/21/2018 Fiscal Agent Agreement signed by Buena Vista Auditor will be uploaded to Iowa Grants  Volunteered as business leader in Storm Lake working with the Iowa Women’s Foundation on the shortage of childcare. A call for action community meeting was held on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Other workgroups to</p>	

	<p>come out the call for action were: Building and Expanding Child Care Centers/Homes and Child Care Entrepreneurs.</p> <p>Prevent Child Abuse Iowa was contacted by the Rotary to lead initiative for child abuse prevention. District Governors for central and northern regions have put as a take action item. Prevent Child Abuse Councils will be asked to present to Rotary Clubs. I participated in the webinar to learn about the Power Point that will be used. The webinar was recorded.</p>	
Next Meeting	August 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	
V. Sharing		
VI. Adjournment	Mike B made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jane P L	Adjourned 12:00

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Annette Koster

Submittal: The minutes of the above stated meeting submitted for approval.

Approval: Based on board consensus, the minutes of the above stated meeting

Minutes hereby approved as presented or corrected.

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