

BVCS EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA
3 –COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINTUES Jan. 29, 2025, at 10:00 am
 Origination Site: Early Childhood Iowa office, with Zoom option.



TOPIC		DISCUSSION, CONCLUSION, RECOMMENDATION, EVALUATION, ACTION				ACTION
Virtual meeting option offered due to travel, work schedules, and health precautions of Board Members.						
I. Introductions and Call to Order:		Introductions were made by those in attendance. Ranell Drake called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM				
Board Member Attendance (checked box equals in attendance):				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quorum met	<input type="checkbox"/> Quorum not met	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rhonda Ringgenberg, BV Co. Supervisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jean Heiden, Craw Co. Supervisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ranell Drake, Sac Co. Supervisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annette Koster, Pro. Dir., non-voting			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann Osborne Health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Bunde, Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant Faith				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natalie Miller, Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Heather Aldag, Parent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mollie Scott, Human Services				
Other Attendees:	Amy Trucke, Family STEPS; Shelley Vauble, Sac County Health; Jennifer Chapman, Child Care Nurse Consultant; Carrie Hornor, Sac County Health; Micheal S., Rosecrance Jackson; Kayla Lahr, Oral Health; Mellisa Juhl, Child Care Resource & Referral; Bailey Hill, Child Care Consultant; Travis Gabler, Wellpoint;					
II. Public Comment:		No public comment.				
III. Approval of Agenda		Jean H. made a motion to approve the agenda. Mike B. seconded the motion. A vote was held, all in favor.				Motion Carries
IV. Approval of Minutes		Mike B. made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mollie S. seconded the motion. A vote was held, all in favor.				Motion Carries
V. Early Childhood Iowa						
Board Membership - Health	Ann Osborne applied to serve on the BVCS Early Childhood Board as a health representative from Sac County. A motion to appoint Ann O. to the Board was made by Mike B., seconded by Jean H. A vote was held, all in favor.					Motion Carries
Financial Report	Annette K. presented the November and December financial report. She will look into the code 42260 \$30.57 to see if it was coded incorrectly. Correction on page the total amount is through December. Mollie S. made a motion to accept the financial report, seconded by Mike B. a vote was held, all in favor.					Motion Carries
Mid-Year Financial Report	Annette K. shared the status of program spending based on categories: School Ready Administration, General, Quality and Early Childhood funds Administration and Programming. This information was completed in the Qualtrics and IA Grants for mid-year reporting.					Informational
Family STEPS	Amy T. provided a presentation to the 3-County Board about Family STEPS.					Informational
Second Quarter Reports	Reports from Family STEPS, Child Care Nurse Consultant, Business Investment Program, Preschool Scholarships, Oral Health, were shared with the board. Mike B. had a question about the BIP funds with only \$7,899.34 remaining with two quarters left. Annette K. provided that early care environments have submitted receipts for payment earlier than in past years. Remainder of funds after other grant applications have been paid will go to Sioux Rapids Child Care for construction in dividing a large room. Circle of Security two child care centers will participate in the professional training, Kids World and Ready Set Grow.					Informational

Annual Report Review	Annette K. shared the Annual Report Review completed by the Early Childhood Iowa, Reviewed by Jaci Miller, TA Coordinator and Jason Niceswanger, Contract Specialist.	Informational
Continuum Of Care & ECI Regionalization	Annette K. shared the Early Childhood Iowa Area (32) will be going to seven Regions/Districts. The districts will follow the Behavioral Health Districts map. Early Childhood Iowa going through structure and what will be funded in SFY 26. A shift of ECI funds will be applied to the Early Childhood Child Care Continuum. Waiting for a legislative bill to be released. Notification regarding funding were sent out regarding Child Care Resource & Referral to fund staff and Business Investment in SFY 26. Designation visits are put on pause. Instructed to pay Board Insurance for SFY26. Expected Jan. 1, 2026, as the date ECI to align into Districts. ECI is expecting to extend existing contracts with areas throughout the calendar year with the exception of CCR&R services. Continue business as usual.	Informational
Program Director Update	<p>Annette K. shared events she attended/facilitated in November and December.</p> <p>Site Reviews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family STEPS site review held on Jan. 17, 2025, on track, recommend for funding FY 26. • Child Care Nurse Consultant site review held on Jan. 27, 2025, on track, recommend for funding FY 26. • Oral Health site review held on Jan. 27, 2025, on track, recommend for funding FY 26. 	
VI. Sharing	Travis Grabler shared Wellpoint has materials in Burmese and Swahili available to share with families, Medicaid benefits.	
VII. Adjournment	Motion by Mike B. seconded by Jean H. Meeting adjourned at 11:39 AM	
Next Meeting	February 26, 2025, an earlier time was discussed to accommodate board members with jobs.	
Approval: Based on board consensus, the minutes of the above stated meeting. Minutes hereby approved as presented.		Date Approved: 2.24.2025