

## BVCS Early Childhood Iowa CRAWFORD COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Vision:** "Every child beginning at birth will be healthy and successful"

Date: December 17, 2013 Time: 1:00 pm Location: ISU Extension & Outreach, Denison

SIGN-IN AND INTRODUCTIONS: Randall Kuhlmann, Laura Beeck CCHHH&PH, Mike Bunde BSI, Retta Mitchell CCR&R, Jolene McDonald WCCA, Kelsey Hipnar ISU Extension, Renee AuMiller CCMH and Mollie Scott Decat/CPPC

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Approved by consensus.

### AGENCY - COMMUNITY SHARING/NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN COMMUNITY:

Retta M shared the Child at Heart award is due January 11<sup>th</sup>. Mark Segebart attended the Sac County Advisory Council he shared three topics (Issue Briefs): (1) Licensing for home child care, (2) Quality Rating System (QRS), and (3) Child Care subsidy payments. Crawford County has a 5 star home provider. State recognition of quality is based on QRS not QPPS or Head Start Standards. Mike B will check on this and let us know.

Jolene M reported Early Head Start has 15 children enrolled with a waiting list of 8 children who are eligible and 6 children on the waiting list who are over-income guidelines. Head Start Preschool has 78 children enrolled, with a waiting list of 1 that is eligible and 11 that are over income.

Levels of Excellence date set, the date will be confirmed with Annette Koster, she will send out. February 12<sup>th</sup> 2014 is set for Day on the Hill "Cookies and Conversations".

Laura B shared Family STEPS has 43 on their caseload, 32 Hispanic, 7 Caucasian, 3 Asian and 1 other, 6 pending, 55 visits. I-Smile Coordinator resigned February 1, 2014. Child Care Nurse Consultant is doing visits. CCHHH&PH has hired new First 5 Coordinator Jennifer Bendgen. Flu and tetanus shots are available at CCHHH&PH.

Retta M reported the BVCS Seminar will be held in Wall Lake on March 8<sup>th</sup> the speaker will be from the Applebaum Training Institute will offer 6 hours of credit to child care providers.

Reminder coat drive at Pizza Ranch, Public Health, Donna Reed, Courthouse and Wal\*Mart.

### WRAP-UP & ADJOURN

The next Crawford County Advisory Council is scheduled for February 18, 2013.

**2000 Days:** There are approximately **2000 days between the birth and the first day of kindergarten**. The first **2000** days of a child's life can have a **PROFOUND** and **LIFELONG** impact on **physical and emotional wellbeing, readiness to learn and succeed**, and ability to become a **productive citizen**.