

BVCS Early Childhood Iowa SAC COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Date: April 8, 2013 **Time: 9:00 am** Location: Sac County South Annex
Chairperson: Ranell Drake

SIGN-IN AND INTRODUCTIONS: Annette Koster, BVCS ECI; Ranell Drake, Sac County Supervisor; Carrie Coats, Sac County Health Services; Retta Mitchell, Mid-Sioux Opp.; Paula Klocke, New Opportunities; Jayne Wilhelm, New Opportunities; Jenny Sorenson, New Opportunities; Christy Boeckman, New Opportunities; Mike Fischer, ESC; Mollie Scott, Kids World.

AGENDA REVIEW: Annette K made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Carrie Coats, all in favor.

APPROVAL of PREVIOUS MINUTES: Jayne W made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Annette K, all in favor.

Summer is fast approaching. What is offered for children this summer? 4-H provides activities and camps for children in the summer contact Steph Erpelding at ISU Extension and Outreach to receive the 4-H newsletter. Schaller Crestland has offered meals in the past during the summer months. If a child care provider attends and brings her child care children, they would not be able to use the CACFP program for reimbursement for that day.

The Sheriff's department in the past has sent child/ren to camps. Kiwanis may also have a similar program. Discussion about the youth swims team. Swim team is open to anyone in Sac County that does not have a swim team in their own town. Transportation can be an issue. There is a registration fee, but no child would be turned away. Additional costs like team swim suit are optional.

Sporting equipment can be donated to the Sac County Family Development Center, in case a child would be in need of equipment to participate in a youth event. It was suggested to contact the Recreation Center to add this to their registration form.

Mollie Scott will be the new Decat Coordinator for Crawford, Sac, Carroll, Audubon, Greene & Guthrie Counties. Her last day at Kids World is April 8th. Kids World has set a rate for the 17 late starts East Sac County has scheduled in for the 2013-14 school year. The fee will be \$100.00.

Discussion was held with East Sac School Principal Mike Fischer and Head Start Coordinator Jenny Sorenson on the schedule.

The Council discussed helping children with literacy skills. Jenny S shared that the Creative Curriculum assessments showed children are low in math skills. The library will be a good resource to help get a message out to families/children to encourage reading, developing other skills based off books read to children. In June will try to have something in place what one message might look like.

Annette K discussed a new date for the Parent Summit, May 16th from 6:00 to 9:00 was agreed upon. Please help in distributing and collecting a Community Assessment Survey for Early Childhood Iowa.

Head Start held "round up" they had 18 to 21 present.

WRAP-UP & ADJOURN: Jayne W made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Retta M, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted: Annette Koster