



BVCS EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA
3 –COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 22, 2013 time: **10:00 Am** Trinity Lutheran Church 612 S Dewey, Odebolt

TOPIC	DISCUSSION, CONCLUSION, RECOMMENDATION, EVALUATION, ACTION	ACTION
I. Introductions and Call to Order	Rhonda Ringgenberg called the meeting to order around 10:00 am. Introductions were made by attendees.	
<p>Voting Members Present: Randall Kuhlmann, Crawford County Supervisor (C); Tracy Terry, Maternal Newborn Nurse/BVRMC (BV); Mike Bunde, Education (C); Doug Noble, JCS by phone (S,C,BV) Rhonda Ringgenberg, Buena Vista County Supervisor (BV); Cora Lahr, Consumer (S).; Cathie Page, Family Resource Center by phone (S); Quorum met.</p> <p>Voting Members Absent: Pete Rodriguez, Denison City Council (C); Ranell Drake, Sac County Supervisor (S) notified; Norm Behrens, First State Bank (S) notified; Gale Randall, EA Regional Liaison/Prairie Lakes AEA (BV);</p> <p>Ex-Officio Absent Present: Pam Bogue, Public Health (BV);</p> <p>Others Present: Jackie Duffy, Sac County Health Services; Laura Beeck, CCHHH&PH; Annette Koster, BVCS ECI; Paula Klocke, New Opportunities, Inc. by phone.</p>		
II. Approval of Agenda	Audit report was added to the agenda. Mike B made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Cora L a voice vote was held, all in favor.	Motion Carries
Approval of Previous Minutes	Mike B made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Tracy T, a voice vote was held, all in favor.	Motion Carries
III. Early Childhood Iowa		
Financial Reports: School Ready Early Childhood	Annette K presented the financial reports to the board. Line item 97960 and 97760 were adjusted for Preschool Scholarships and Support. Annette called all contractors to get an estimated carry forward amount, based on conversation School Ready estimated carry forward should be in the allowable range under 20 percent. Early Childhood recommends carry forward under 20 percent, based on estimates may be slightly over. Randall D made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Doug N, a voice vote was held, all in favor.	Motion Carries
Program Director Update	<p>Annette K gave the Program Director report. At the Director meeting a presentation about Child Care Nurse Consultants and the best case would be if they were funded at .5 FTE. Child Care Nurse Consultants are a non-funded mandate with Maternal Child Health Agencies. Diane Foss and I reported at the meeting how the two Early Childhood Iowa areas provided funding to Crawford County Home Health Hospice & Public Health Child Care Nurse Consultant (Lori Hoch).</p> <p>The role out of the revised Iowa Early Learning Standards is available. Annette K and Mike B attended a Saturday event in which Sharon Kagan presented. The standards use is for all individuals involved with children from parents to doctors. It is guideline to assist in explaining a child's development, and what you can do to encourage growth. The Early Childhood Iowa and Department of Education Boards have formally adopted the revised standards. A cross walk was done with the standards as to how they build upon the Iowa Core used in schools. The standards are not to be used as a checklist or assessment. They are to give guidance in meeting an assessment such as the Ages and Stages.</p> <p>Currently a bill in the Legislature might move the Early Childhood funding category to the School Ready (Other/General Aid) silo, and use the Other/General Aid funding formula to</p>	Informational

Request for Renewal	<p>determine distribution. If the bill passes our area is projected to see an increase.</p> <p>Request for Renewal proposals were presented to the BVCS ECI Board. The Executive Committee met on Monday May 20th and presented their recommendation to the BVCS ECI 3-County Board for the Early Childhood and School Ready funds based on the estimated allocation and estimated carry forward funds (see School Ready 2014 Executive Committee Recommendation 5/20/13 handout). Annette K provided the board with summaries of the Request for Proposals submitted a previous year and Request for Renewals submitted. Early Childhood Funds were reviewed. Discussion was held on the number of visits and hours Calhoun County Child Care Nurse Consultant would be providing with the program for the. 4 FTE hours. The RFR mentioned visits, assessments and trainings. The Board would like to have an estimated specified number of visits and trainings for something to measure for the amount of funds to be awarded. Crawford County Home Health, Hospice & Public Health Child Care Nurse Consultant had in their proposal .2 FTE 8.5 hours weekly, 6 visits each quarter, and one training. Annett K shared Mid-Sioux set an 18 visit per month quota for the Child Care Consultant, with flexibility for trainings, meetings and family emergency/time off etc. Doug N made a motion for the Early Childhood proposed budget presented by the Executive Committee with the condition for Calhoun County to provide information on visits/trainings seconded by Cathie P, a voice vote was held, all in favor.</p> <p>The School Ready Funds were presented. Sac County Health Service and Crawford County Home Health, Hospice & Public Health (CCHHH&PH) have been notified they qualified for the Prevent Child Abuse Iowa grants for the Family Support Program. The recommendation of the Executive Committee is to fund all programs in full with the exception of CCHHH&PH \$857.00 less based on the FY 14 proposed allocation and estimated carry forward funds. Cathie P made a motion to accept the proposed School Ready recommendation with flexibility (silo's) in carry forward and allocation, seconded by Doug N, a voice vote was held, all in favor.</p>	Motion Carries
Updates to Community Plan	<p>Annette K sent out by email update to Section 1 and Section 3 of the Community Plan asking for input and assistance in proofing. Tracy T has sent back some corrections and comments. Discussion was held on the collection of the data.</p>	Conversation
Review Terms for Board Members	<p>Board terms were reviewed. Tracy Terry will renew for another term. Cathie Page will renew for another term. Annette will contact Gale Randall about another term. Pete Rodriguez term does not expire until 2014 but has not been attending Annette K will contact him about commitment to the BVCS ECI 3-County Board. In June will be electing officers, revised By-Laws Vice Chair Randall Kuhlmann moves to Board Chair, Norm Behrens recently took over to serve as Financial, will need a new Vice Chair.</p>	
Audit	<p>The Auditor's Report from Buena Vista County audit was shared with the BVCS ECI Board. Page 23 Jointly Governed Organizations and Page 37 Early Childhood Iowa Area Board. The report was passed around for viewing.</p>	Informational

VI. Community Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Record number of babies expected to be born in Buena Vista County. • Prevent Child Abuse Newspaper Insert from Crawford County. 	
V. Adjournment	Rhonda R adjourned the meeting at 11:10 am	

Respectfully submitted: 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.

Name	Date