Dallas County Early Childhood Committee

Minutes/Notes

May 28, 2015 28059 Fairgrounds Road Adel, Iowa 50003

9:45 A.M.

Attendance

Debb Franz, Michelle Leonard, Jenny Felt, Lisa Mickelson, Jovanka Westbrook, Dena Owens, Natalie Scarpino, Danielle Cusack, Ashley Weiderin, Myra Willms, Laurie Wernli and Debra Schrader.

Announcements and Information

Legislative Update - The Iowa Legislature has yet to adjourn and are now about a month late. There appears to be support for 1st Five and they may receive close to a 50% increase, however this is proposed by the Senate and the House wants status quo.

A <u>spreadsheet</u> can be downloaded to see the proposed differences of the house and the senate for several health and human services programs.

4 R Kids Board - The Board is looking for a board member, preferably a male as they are seeking gender balance. It was suggested that Reverend Max Phillips and follow with him has begun.

The board has announced the grant awards and information was disseminated. The information is also located on the 4 R Kids ECI website.

We Vote- There is a website where you can see how each legislator votes on each bill, go to www.wevoteproject.org.

Iowa Family Support Network - Visiting Nurse Services has the statewide contract for statewide coordinated intake for family support services. Each family support service is listed on the website. Programs are highly encouraged to go to the website and check for accuracy at www.iafamilysupport network.org.

CBCAP Grant - Jenny provided an overview of the potential CBCAP grant that the Shared Decision Making group of Community Partnerships for Protecting Children can apply for. Parent development, crisis care, community based family team meetings, and fatherhood programming are the priorities for the funds. The grant is due July 8, 2015. The CPPC team will be meeting June 18, 2015 at 1:00 at Woodward to determine whether to apply for the funding.

CCDBG Child Development Block Grant- Changes to the child care grant allocated to all states will have massive changes. Several changes were discussed and what the impact could be locally.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45

The next meeting is June 25, 2015 at 9:45.