# 4 R Kids Program and Service Committee Minutes June 4, 2014 12:00 Noon Support Services 306 Public Square Greenfield, Iowa 50849

The meeting began at 9:00 and ended at 9:30.

### Attendance

Board members present Cynthia Moffitt, Dena Owens, and Janice Jensen. Board members not present, Kendalyn Huff. Others present Debra Schrader, Executive Director.

Dena will be the reporter for the June 19, 2014 board meeting.

### **RFP for Centralized Intake and recommendations**

The committee utilized goggle docs for the first time to enter scores and comments. This will be a format that will most likely be utilized for FY16 grant review process. Committee members has the opportunity to test their skills with google docs.

There was one request for proposal for centralized intake submitted for FY15. The proposal was clear and concise and the plan was articulated clearly with an overall score of 96.7%. It is recommended that Dallas County Agricultural Extension District be awarded \$10,923 for centralized intake starting July 1, 2014.

## **Annual Report Update**

Deb provided an update regarding the FY14 state annual report. ECI has yet to provide local boards with what the annual report shell and reporting mechanism is for FY14. It is concerning that

# **Funding flexibility**

Due to receiving Model status through the Levels of Excellence, the Board can request funding flexibility. There will most likely be more family support funding left over after the close out of the FY14 year. Contract renewals were mostly funded at the levels requested other than preschool services and child care quality improvement grants. Preschool is a concern as there has been a higher demand for preschool services in Dallas County than in the past, and Dallas County has very little state wide voluntary preschool funding which puts strain on ECI funding to support preschool scholarships. Cynthia volunteered to work with the Bob to draft a letter from the 4 R Kids ECI area board to be submitted to ECI for action at the September 5, 2014 state board meeting. Deb will start gathering data to support the funding flexibility request.

### **Next meeting**

August 20, 2014 at 9:30 A.M. is tentatively set to review the annual report and will most likely be by telephone conference.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30.