# **Success 4 Kids**

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Adair County Early Childhood Committee

### Minutes/Notes

Greenfield United Church 108 S.W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street Greenfield Iowa Tuesday June 10, 2025

A Google Folder contains handouts and other information.

### Attendance

Nina Utterback, Courtney Adair, Megan Davidson, Lisa Carstens, Stephanie Claussen, Reshana Van Deuren, Val Cameron, and Debra Schrader.

# **Announcements and Agency Updates**

- **SWCC** Has a parttime 20-30 hours a week parent educator position to serve several counties. PAT will have a baby shower June 6, 2025 at the Gathering place from 5:00-6:30.
- **Healthy Kids Program** Adair County Outreach Center is assisting with a pilot program for expanded access to food for kids during June, July and August.
- **Greenfield Rise** -Will provide mental health services to those impacted by the tornados. Contact <a href="mailto:greatergreenfield@gmail.com">greatergreenfield@gmail.com</a> for more information.

# **DCCAC**

- Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council will be supporting Adair, Dallas, Madison, and Warren County for FY26.
- All FY26 subcontracts have been issued for home visitation and sexual abuse prevention. Short Years Partnership, SWCC and CIAC are the contractors for the 4-county area.
- Val has put together an executive committee with a member from each county, Bridgette Skalla, Barb Ranck, Susan Crowdes and Stephanie Claussen. They plan to meet at a minimum of quarterly. An organizational chart was shared.
- The ICAPP contract from HHS has been received and signed.

## **Early Childhood Committee**

- The Iowa legislature adjourned May 15, 2025 at 6:30 A.M. A list of legislative bills was reviewed.
- An update on Thrive Iowa was provided.
- The state ECI Board acted at the June 7, 2025 board meeting to move forward with merging 38 ECI areas into 4 regions that will follow the same boundaries as the behavioral health regions. HHS stated if the state ECI board did not take action to do it, HHS would do it to the local ECI boards anyway.
- HHS has chosen not renew the Governors Thrive pilot project in Madison County and the pilot ends June 30, 2025. The Warren County pilot can continue to spend down their funds through September 30, 2025. It is unclear what HHS will do after that.
- SWCC will be sponsoring a baby shower June 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:30 at the Gathering Place.
- Shared Visions grants will be renewed for 1 more year.
- Continuum of Care grants have been released awards notice will be July 28, 2025.
- A list of programs funded by the 4 R Kids ECI board was shared.

#### **Next Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 3:00. The next meeting will be August 12, 2025 @ 2:00 p.m. and will be in person.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Schrader, ECI Director