

Dallas County Coalition

Minutes
Waukee Church of Hope
305 N.E. Dartmoor
Waukee, Iowa 50263
10:30 am – 12 Noon
Wednesday September 23, 2026

Meeting Handouts

A [Dallas County Meeting Folder](#) is available for meeting handouts and other agency information. Go [here](#) to access the information and it is open to the public. Meeting agendas and minutes are located at www.4rkids-eci.org.

Attendance and Introductions

Beth Roghair (CIAC), Jackie Giles (Extension), Abby Hall (Head Start), Deb Seaman (Short Years), Meghan Smith (CASA), Lisa Carstens (Zion), Amanda Wehlert (Zion), Carol Bayer (New Opps), Jenny Felt (CIJDC), Val Cameron (Extension), Kennedy Pralle (LSI) and Debra Schrader (4 R Kids).

Celebration

Community partners provided for a surprise retirement party for Deb Schrader. It was very thoughtful gesture and one that will be treasured by her.

Updates and Information

- The 4 R Kids ECI Board is seeking Dallas County Board member.
- The new 4 R Kids Executive Director, Nancy Krause, will start her duties on October 14, 2026.
- The Dallas County family support map was reviewed and changes made where necessary. The map will be located on the 4 R Kids website.
- The Dallas County early childhood services map was reviewed and changes were made where necessary. The map will be located on the 4 R Kids website.
- HF2676 regarding physical fitness and activity requirements for schools was reviewed
- SF2428 regarding school discipline for schools was reviewed.
- The FY25 Dallas County opioid settlement report was reviewed; there was \$700,380.23 at the end of 2025 reporting year and no programming had taken place.
- ACES 360 will be sponsoring Health and Human Services provider health & wellbeing workshop in person 11:30-1:00 on October 7, 2026 at the C3 Center in Des Moines.
- A 2026 federal poverty guideline cheat sheet was disseminated.
- There will be a trauma informed care training Thursday September 24, 2026 and will be held electronically.
- The Hutchinson amendment regarding the military recruits in public high schools.
- HHS released an RFP for a lead public health agency that requires applicants to serve counties in the 7 districts, Madison County is in District 5. Three core services will be required to be provided in all counties. Award winners will have a start date of January 1, 2026.
- Sunny Day Fund a new program that employers can provide to their employees for those making 300%

Child Abuse Prevention Updates

- Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center has served 31 adults (Adair County) so far this year.
- HHS reimbursement payments have a turn around time of approximately 2-3 weeks. August reimbursements were \$5,809.36.
- The Executive Committee will meet October 30, 2026 by Microsoft Teams.
- The DCCAC 990 has been fil

The next in person meeting is October 28, 2026. Respectfully submitted by Deb Schrader