



## Woodbury County Early Childhood Committee Meeting

### Siouxland Human Investment Partnership

Minutes

Meeting Date/Time: Thursday, December 7, 2017 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Meeting Site: Northwest AEA – Room F

Attendees: Kim Schroeder (Committee Chair), Brenda Jenkins, Alexia Klemish, Jennifer McGreggor, Kim Burrack, Mona Scaletta, Erica DeLeon, Terri Binniboese, Erika McWell, Linsey Gilbert, Kim Buryanek, Rachael Ostermyer, Jocelyn Flattery

Staff present: Matt Ohman, Kerri Hall

- Healthy Opportunities for Parents to Experience Success (HOPES)
  - Future of HOPES
    - State Recommendation for Program

Matt Ohman updated the committee on the HOPES Program Proposal. The SHIP Board will review a proposal by the three local HOPES programs (Crittenton Center, Lutheran Services in Iowa & Siouxland District Health Department) at its December 15th Board meeting. SHIP has asked the three agencies to collaborate in an effort to streamline services, which will result in cost savings and reduce duplication for the agencies' Early Childhood Iowa and MIECHV contracts with SHIP.

- Early Childhood Iowa
  - ECI Area Directors Meeting
    - State Meeting Updates

Iowa Department of Management held a discussion with Early Childhood Iowa Directors requesting input on implementation of statewide performance measures for area boards' responsibilities to support their local communities. Managers advised Directors

that there are new legislators who do not fully understand the ECI system and this would be a good way to show outcomes.

November 3<sup>rd</sup> ECI State Board Meeting was cancelled. Next meeting will be January 5<sup>th</sup>.

Early Care and Education Business Collaboratory: Persons from Iowa participated in a 2-day meeting hosted by First Children's Finance in October. Twelve states were in attendance. The discussions focused on strategies and concepts to address the business aspect of early childhood education. The Iowa team is developing a work plan to move work forward.

Public Private Partnerships Committee: Committee is working on a "Top Ten" list about child care to take to local businesses.

To commemorate Early Childhood Iowa turning 20 this year, ECI will unveil their new logo soon.

Iowa Department of Management is still anticipating a round of budget cuts for fiscal year 2018.

- Early Literacy Initiative
  - Early Care Environments
    - Meeting Updates

Kim Schroeder updated the committee on the Early Care Environments Literacy group and their action plan that consists of securing funding for quality coaches, and reaching area business as well as early care environments to improve quality. Matt Ohman provided clarity of the 0-3 focus.

- Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)
  - ECI Scholarship Mandate
    - Screening and Referral Updates

Linsey Gilbert spoke about ASQ training taking place in centers that are receiving ECI scholarship funds. Linsey state she is getting a lot of positive feedback from the centers and that they feel like these screenings are helping staff identify delays. Centers receiving ECI funding will report on outcome and measurements of all children screened on both the ECI Mid-Year and Annual report.

- Northwest AEA
  - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
    - Program and Training Updates

Jocelyn Flattery spoke with Tom Rendon, the Coordinator of the Iowa Head Start State Collaboration Office with the Iowa Department of Education, he advised they would provide an external coach and training for internal leadership teams and would come to Sioux City two days a week. In addition to modules they would provide support in the

classrooms. A center can have a broad leadership team that oversees multiple centers or a team at each site. They will work on nine critical elements. A baseline assessment will be administered and then a mid-year meeting to check in and troubleshoot. After one year, each program would reassess the original baseline model, celebrate growth, identify needs, and develop a yearlong plan and spend the next year working on that.

Brenda Jenkins reported that PBIS trainings will be held in January – (EC-PBIS class offered beginning Jan. 9 has been changed to 5-8 pm.) Please check AEA website for class details.

- Agency Updates / Other Business

The next Early Care Environments meeting will be January 4, 2018 at the NWAEA in room F at 12:00 P.M.

- Adjourn

Next Meeting is Thursday 1/4/2018