

Johnson County Empowerment-Early Childhood Iowa Board
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 23, 2023
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Members present: Cheryl Collins, TyJuan Connell, Jon Green, Rick Leyendecker, Emily O'Sheridan-Tabor, Angel Taylor, Joan Tephly (6:03), Susan Wall

Members absent: Richard Lipman, Marguerite Oetting , Lori Roetlin

Staff Present: Samantha Turnbull

Guests:

Lorri Hora (CCR&R)

Genevieve Anglin (UAY)

Roberta Sloat (JCPH)

Becky Hackett-Leas (JCPH Dental)

Deborah VanderGaast (JCPH CCNC)

1. Call Meeting to Order, Establish Quorum, and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes [Board Action]

Board Chair Angel Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:31pm. Attendance was taken, and a quorum was recognized with 7 of 11 members present . **Minutes from March 2, 2023 were reviewed and Angel Taylor moved to approve them. Cheryl Collins seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.**

2. Public Comment: No Comments

3. Director's Report

Statewide: Association for Early Childhood Iowa Area Boards and Advocates will have Day on the Hill March 29 from 7-9am

Local

-Expenses are in packet

- Approved one additional school ready scholarship

- 3 Safe Sleep events scheduled for April including one in North Liberty

- Link to sign up for site visits in April has been sent to board members

Committee schedules:

- **Early Ed Work Group** (Joan and Cheryl board liaisons): Last Monday of the month 2:30-3:30 pm.
Next meeting 3/27/2023. No report

- **Parent Ed Work Group** (Emily board liaison): First Monday of every other month 1-2 pm.
Next meeting 4/3/2023. No Report

Community Collaboration:

-Kites for Kids planned for April; North Liberty 4/22 Iowa City TBD

-Public Health interested in collaborating at Car Seat Event in June for vaccine clinic

- First Round applications for Child Care Wage Supplement are under review
- i2d2 shows county and statewide trends plus historical data for ECI targeted indicators

4. Contractor Presentations

JCPH CCNC and Dental Voucher Program – Deborah VanderGaast introduced herself and presented an update on CCNC. Her training will be complete the end of April, currently doing immunization audits and visiting all centers in county. Meeting with directors and providers to provide support and compliance. Medication Administration Training will be 4/1.

Becky Hackett-Leas presented information on the dental program. Goal is prevention. Services include fluoride, oral hygiene, nutrition education and referrals to dentists. Issue has been dentists participating with program due to reimbursement rates and attendance at appointment issues. Working on new contracts with updated rates and hoping more dentists will be willing to participate.

UAY Young Parent Program - Genevieve Anglin presented power point on goals and information about the Young Parent Program. Currently program is struggling with participation. Numbers have dropped almost 50% since FY2019. COVID and virtual groups impacted participation. Focusing on recruitment and visibility to rebuild groups post covid.

5. UAY Contract Amendment (Board Action) – Contract Amendment for UAY changes total compensation fee not to exceed \$100,000 and updates performance measures due to struggling participation. Cheryl Collins moved and Tyjuan Connell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. FY23 Budget (Board Action) - With additional funds available it was decided to allocate \$5000 to fund childcare providers (both home and center based) to attend the IAEYC Conference in April and to allocate \$10000 to fund memberships for NAEYC and NAFCC for childcare providers. Sam will set parameters based on previous program. Angel Taylor motioned to approve and Jon Green seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Public Budget Hearing Planning (Board Action) - Angel Taylor motioned to conduct the Public Budget Hearing meeting one hour prior to the board’s April Meeting on April 20, 2023. Cheryl Collins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Convene Nominating Committee - Four members terms are up this year. Emily and Richard will continue on the board. Rick and Susan will be leaving the board. Meeting will be set up to develop recruitment plans and promote board membership.

9. Adjourn: Jon Green moved to adjourn at 7:35pm. Angel Taylor seconded. Passed unanimously.

Submitted by Board Secretary, Cheryl Collins
Next Executive Committee Meeting: April 10, 2023
Upcoming Board Meetings: April 20, 2023