

Scott County Kids Early Childhood Iowa Board

Meeting of August 1, 2023

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order: Kakert called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m.

Attendance: Chris Castrey, John Duax, Lauren Rupe, Megan Heidgerken, Amy Huntington, Jennifer Kakert, Chuck Keibler, David Selmon, Jerry Mohr and Christine Gradert.

Absent: Jeremy Pessman and Dwayne Hodges

Excused:

Staff: Diane Martens

Guests:

Approval of Minutes June 4, 2023 minutes:

Mohr made a motion, seconded by Castrey to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2023 meeting. All aye votes, motion carried.

Nominations: Ruby Batiman:

The Nominations Committee interviewed Ruby Batmana. Ruby is an adjunct professor at St. Ambrose. Ruby was a health director at a Head Start in California and serves on the City of Davenport Affirmative Action Committee. The Nominations Committee is recommending Rudy for board membership. Keibler made a motion, seconded by Selmon to have Rudy serve on the board. All aye votes, motion carried.

FY23 Expenditure Report:

Martens reviewed the updated expenditure sheet. Early Childhood funds are 100% spent at 100% through the year. School Ready funds are 98% spent at 100% through the year.

Fiscal Review:

July 24th Martens, Kakert, Nicole Mann -Scott County Kids Decat and Donna Moritz meet to review the updated numbers.

Kakert and Martens had a Zoom meeting with State ECI staff; Ann Lebo and Amanda Winslow July 31st. Winslow advised updating the numbers on the FY23 annual report, the FY23 report has a column for FY22. Martens offered to send the corrected FY20 and FY21, Winslow noted there really isn't a place to save those documents in the ECI system and that may cause more confusion. Winslow asked Martens to send the FY22 audit, Martens has sent it.

Kakert, Martens and Nicole Mann are meeting with Bi-State August 10th.

FY22 EC carryforward is corrected to \$18,008.55, it had been \$7500.37.

FY22 SR carryforward is corrected to \$83,298.47, it had been \$64,049.89.

Ealy Childhood Iowa Association -designee:

The cost for the ECI Association membership for FY24 is \$1338. The cost is based on allocation. Last year the cost was \$1389.

They would like private donations to be a part of the \$1338. The ECI admin funds only allow for advocacy. If anyone would like to donate checks should be made to Association of ECI Area Boards and Advocates. Please have check to Martens by August 15th.

The association also asks that the board designates someone to serve at the Association rep. Martens is happy to serve in this capacity.

Mohr made a motion, seconded by Castrey for Martens to serve as the Scott County representative on the ECI Association. All aye votes, motion carried.

HHS Alignment:

HHS is conducting a "Service Delivery Alignment Assessment Project" there were townhalls held the second week of July. A survey was emailed to Board members July 27th.

A meeting is planned for August 7th. The meeting is exclusive to the ECI state board members, local coordinators, and board chairs. It is to be held in Des Moines and a virtual option will not be offered. Martens and Kakert plan to attend.

Community Baby Shower:

CPPC (Community Partnerships for Protecting Children), Scott County Health Department as well as other community agencies are planning another Baby Shower. The shower is planned for September 9th 1-3pm at the Lincoln Center. Martens will share the event flyer once it is finalized.

Other Business:

Martens stated she updated the Zoom invitations due to a Microsoft Teams Meeting link being included. The Teams link is now deleted as Zoom will be the platform for the virtual option.

Public Input

None

Meeting adjourned at 12:53pm. Motion by Keibler, second by Heidgerken.

Next Meeting: September 5, 2023 **Annual Report