

Board Members Present:

Jack Willey
Nin Fligel
Dan Srp (Zoom)
Charlie Minnick
Linda Hledik (Zoom)
Sarah Hogan
Gwen Deming (Zoom)
Lindsey Burken
Roberta Rosheim
Peter Duytschaever

Board Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Mary Kay Wirth

Guests:

Chris McClimon, CCNC
Julie Schweiger, Breastfeeding
Adv. (Zoom)

Clinton/Jackson Early Childhood Iowa Board Meeting Minutes January 27, 2025

Jack Willey called the meeting to order at 4:17 PM. Mary Kay Wirth conducted roll call. Members present are listed at left.

November 25, 2024 minutes: Sarah made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting; Nin seconded the motion. Vote: All Ayes, motion carried.

Director's Expenditure Report: Mary Kay presented the November/December 2024 Director's expenditure report and the FY25 Expenditures. Sarah made a motion to approve the expenditure reports as presented, Lindsey seconded the motion. Vote: All Ayes, motion carried. Preschool Scholarships: Currently have 44 slots filled.

There was an Evote to pay the Eide Bailly Audit Claim. The motion passed with 9 yes votes and 0 no votes. The Clinton/Jackson ECI Board Audit passed with no findings.

The Clinton/Jackson ECI Annual Report for FY24 was reviewed and approved on 12-6-24.

Mary Kay asked to change the percentages for administration costs and payroll. Roberta made a motion to change the percentages for administration costs to 85% School Ready and 15% Early Childhood, and salary to 50% School Ready Quality, 45% School Ready Administrative, and 5% Early Childhood Administration, Nin seconded the motion. Vote: Ally Ayes, motion carried.

The director's activities were shared, and it was announced that Mary Kay will be gone on vacation from February 1st-6th.

The State ECI Annual Report for FY24 was shared and reviewed.

Mary Kay explained that the Mid Year Financial Report and Spreadsheet is due Feb. 21st and Qualtrics-the new ECI State Reporting Tool for Performance Measures is due Feb. 17th.

The provider 2nd quarter reports were shared and discussed.

Mary Kay shared that the ECI map is changing to the same 7 districts as Behavioral Health. Jack shared that the population of our district 7 is 1.3 million people. Other new information is that the governor is using \$11.4 million of the existing \$28 million ECI budget to fund the new preschool grants. She has announced that ECI directors will manage the grants.

The Community Plan preparation will be starting by finding existing surveys to help identify community needs. Sarah suggested if we have priorities that we can't fund we reach out to community partners. In light of the uncertainties with the structure of ECI we will do renewals instead of RFPs.

Contract site visits will be set up starting in February.

New Business/Community Input:

Adjourn/Next Meeting Date: Meeting adjourned at 5:09 PM. Sarah made a motion and Charles seconded to adjourn.

The next regular C/J ECI Board meeting will be held on **February 24, 2025**, at 4:00 PM in person and via Zoom at the Clinton County Satellite office in DeWitt. If the meeting needs to be moved to Zoom only, this will be posted.

Executive Meeting:

February 10, 2025 at 7:30 AM/ via Zoom

Respectfully submitted by Mary Kay Wirth, Clinton/Jackson ECI Director

Any person in need of special assistance or accessibility needs should contact Mary Kay Wirth at mwirth@clintoncounty-ia.gov or call 563-659-3651.

Board President Signature

Jack Willey

Date

Feb 24, 2025