

CLINTON/JACKSON EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 24, 2021

Board Members Present

via role call:

Bobbi Bartels-Poll
Carlene Erikson
David Hinds
Jack Willey
Jessica Ihns
Jim Irwin
Linda Hledik
Peggy Sellnau
Rebecca Barnes
Sarah Hogan

Board Members Absent:

Gabe Gluba

Staff Present:

Gwen Deming

Guests:

Cindy Heck

This meeting was held via Zoom due to the Covid-19 restrictions on gatherings.

C/J ECI Board Meeting Called to Order/Roll Call: Jack Willey called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Gwen Deming conducted roll call: Members present listed.

April 26, 2021 Minutes : Gwen Deming presented the minutes from the 4/26/21 C/J ECI Board Meeting. Peggy Sellnau made a Motion to approve the Minutes as presented; David Hinds seconded the Motion; all Ayes, Motion carried.

Director's Expenditure Report: Gwen Deming presented the Director's Expenditure Report through April, 2021 for review. David Hinds made a Motion to approve the expenditure report as presented; Jessica Ihns seconded the Motion; all Ayes, Motion carried.

2nd Shift Childcare/Early Childhood Funds: The C/J ECI Board talked about the best way to spend the unused portion of funds in the 2nd Shift program. After much discussion, Jessica Ihns made a Motion to use the extra funding to purchase items to enrich programming in the 56 child care centers and homes in Clinton and Jackson Counties; Rebecca Barnes seconded the Motion; all Ayes, Motion carried. Cindy Heck agreed she would send some ideas for purchase to Gwen.

New C/J ECI Director recommendation: The C/J ECI Executive Committee recommended hiring Peggy Sellnau to the board as the new director beginning July 1, 2021. Jack Willey reported the Executive Committee suggested Peggy begin at \$25 an hour for 20 hours a week until Gwen finished employment at the end of September, 2021. Beginning October 1, 2021 Peggy will go to 25 hours a week. Gwen also suggested allowing Peggy to start a few hours a week in June. Sarah Hogan made a Motion to approve hiring Peggy Sellnau as the new director at \$25 an hour for 20 hours a week beginning July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021; Bobbi Bartels-Poll seconded the Motion; all Ayes, Motion carried.

FY22 Budget: Gwen Deming presented the draft budget for FY22. After review, Jim Irwin made the Motion to approve the draft budget with small adjustments, as needed; David Hinds seconded the Motion, all Ayes, Motion carried.

New Business: Gwen suggested using ICAP Grant funds to purchase a laptop computer for the new director. David Hinds made a Motion to purchase a laptop with ICAP grant funds; Carlene Erikson seconded the motion; all Ayes, Motion carried.

Adjourn/ Next Meeting Date: The next C/J ECI Board Meeting will be held on June 28, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in person at the Clinton County Satellite Offices in DeWitt.

*Respectfully submitted by Gwen Deming, C/J ECI Director
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