

Board Members Present:

Jack Willey  
Dan Srp  
Gwen Deming (Zoom)  
Linda Hledik  
Gabe Gluba  
David Hinds  
Lindsey Burken (Zoom)  
Sarah Hogan

Board Members Absent:

Charlie Minnick  
Bobbi Bartels-Poll

Staff Present:

Peggy Sellnau

Guests:

Cindy Heck (CCRR)  
Alicia Wagner (CCRR)  
Chris McClimon (CCNC)  
Andrea Query (New Parent Program)

## Clinton/Jackson Early Childhood Iowa Board Meeting Minutes April 25, 2022

Jack Willey called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Peggy Sellnau conducted roll call. Members present are listed at left.

March 28, 2022 minutes: David made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting; Sarah seconded the motion. Vote: All Ayes, motion carried.

Director's Expenditure Report: Peggy presented the Director's expenditure report for March 2022 for review. Dan made a motion to approve the expenditure report as presented; Gabe seconded the motion. Vote: All Ayes, motion carried.

Andrea Query gave a presentation on the LSI New Parent program in Clinton and Jackson counties.

Peggy reported all preschool site visits are completed. Peggy reported that C/ J ECI is currently funding 44 scholarships for 3 year olds to attend preschool at various preschools in Clinton and Jackson County.

FY22 Contract amendment – Child Care Resource and Referral: The board discussed the request to move funding from training to supplies for centers. Peggy was directed to contact CCR&R staff to see if they could hold a training session yet by June 30. Training has mostly been held through Zoom since March 2020 and the board would like to see an in-person training scheduled this fiscal year yet.

FY22 Contract amendment – Bright Beginnings: David made a motion to approve this amendment, which moves remaining funding from staff visits, curriculum, and training to incentives. Gabe seconded the motion. Vote: All Ayes, motion carried.

FY 2023 Renewals: The board reviewed contract renewals and discussed some questions on them. Peggy was directed to clarify a few items and get that information back to the board. No one expressed any concerns with the renewals they reviewed. Peggy will tabulate the scores and forward that information to the board.

FY 2023 Early Childhood funding: We have received the preliminary budget numbers for FY 23. We will have a large decrease in the early childhood funding. The board agreed to move toward using the funds for mini-grants for the child care centers. Peggy will set up a conference with Child Care Resource and Referral to discuss the process for this.

Recruitment of new board members: Jack has given Peggy a suggestion for Jackson County and she will make contact with her. Peggy will make contact with the person suggested earlier in the year as well.

ECI State Designation: A motion was made by Gabe and a second was made by David to approve the ECI State Designation and Chairperson, Jack, signed the designation.

Community Input: Cindy Heck reported that she will be retiring from CCR&R in May. She introduced her replacement as Alicia Wagner. Gwen reported that the community baby shower and toddler fest will be held Saturday, September 24 in DeWitt at the fairgrounds. The committee will work on having some transportation available.

Adjourn/Next Meeting Date: The next C/J ECI Board meeting will be held on May 23, 2022 at 4:00 PM in person and via Zoom at the Clinton County Satellite office in DeWitt.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Sellnau, C/J ECI Director

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