

**CLINTON/JACKSON COUNTIES EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, February 24, 2020 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Clinton County Satellite Offices, 226 11th Street, DeWitt, IA 52742. (large boardroom)**

**Board Members Present:**

Rebecca Barnes  
Carlene Erikson  
Jessica Ihns  
Jim Irwin  
Bobbi Bartels-Poll  
Peggy Sellnau  
Jack Willey

**Board Members Absent:**

Linda Hledik  
David Hinds  
Sarah Hogan

**Staff Present:**

Gwen Deming

**Guests:**

Jeanette Hartung-Schroeder

**ECI Board Meeting Called to Order:** Jack Willey called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**Minutes from ECI Board Meeting on January 27, 2020:** Jack Willey presented the minutes from the January 27, 2020 Board Meeting. Jessica Ihns moved to approve the minutes as presented; Jim Irwin seconded the Motion to approve the minutes as presented. The Motion was carried unanimously.

**FY2020 Preschool Scholarships Update:** Gwen Deming reported 40 preschool Scholarships for January, 2020: Cardinal - 9 scholarships; Delwood - 2 scholarships; Little Shepherd - 8 scholarships; Little Stars - 5 scholarships; Sacred Heart - 3 scholarships, with a new student coming in; Stay N Play - 1 scholarship; YWCA - 10 Scholarships; Zion - 3 scholarships for a total of \$4025 (\$25 partial 1-week payment for new student at Sacred Heart).

**Director's Expenditure Report:** Gwen Deming presented the expenditure report through January, 2020 for the board to review. Jim Irwin moved to approve the expenditure report as presented. Bobbi Bartels-Poll seconded the Motion. The Motion was carried unanimously.

**FY2020 2nd Quarter Contractor Reports:** The 2nd quarter contractor reports were send via email. Additionally, the reports were reviewed by the C/J ECI Board on February 24, 2020.

**Community Baby Shower / Toddler Fest:** Gwen Deming gave updates for the Community Baby Shower on April 4, 2020. The executive committee requested \$2000 for funds to purchase marketing items for the baby shower, as well as other upcoming community events this spring and summer. Bags, sippy cups, beach balls, and kids' sunglasses were requested for purchase. Bobbi Bartels-Poll made a Motion to approve \$2000 for purchase of marketing items; Rebecca Barnes seconded the Motion. The Motion was carried unanimously. Gwen stated she would work with the printer to get the items ordered. She also stated the Baby Shower Planning Committee is scheduled for March 9, 2020 in Clinton. Gwen reminded the board members that there will be a shuttle from Maquoketa to DeWitt, provided by RTA. Jessica Ihns made a Motion to approve up to \$500 to pay for a shuttle from Clinton to DeWitt for the Community Baby Shower on April 4, 2020. Bobbi Bartels-Poll seconded the Motion. The Motion was carried unanimously.

**FY2021 Renewals/RFPs:** Gwen Deming stated the renewals and/or RFPs would be released after all site visits were completed.

**ICAP Board Insurance:** The C/J ECI Board reviewed the insurance amounts for FY2021.

**ECI Board Association Update:** Gwen stated she would forward, via email, any updates about the association.

**Literacy Updates:** Gwen stated she would forward emails concerning literacy updates from those who received funding/items.

**Site Visits:** Gwen Deming invited board members to attend upcoming site visits: LSI on March 2, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at their office in Clinton; and Child Care Resource and Referral on March 4, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at their office in Davenport.

**Community Plan:** No updates at this time.

**Public Input / Adjourn:** There was no public input. Jack Willey adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

**Monday, March 23, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.** is the next ECI Board Meeting.