



NORTH IOWA CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE
BOARD MEETING

Date: July 11, 2024

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Zoom

TOPIC/DISCUSSION ITEM	NOTES
<p>Welcome & Roll Call</p>	<p>Board members present: Chris, Enos, Ken, Shana, Stephanie, Melinda, Heidi and Jennifer.</p>
<p>Approve Agenda</p>	<p>Addition to the agenda: Under Board Business: Association of Early Childhood Iowa Area Boards and Advocates membership. NICA Board meeting agenda 7.11.24 motion to approve with addition by Shana, 2nd by Melinda, all in favor.</p>
<p>Minutes - <i>Action Required</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 9, 2024 Minutes 	<p>NICA Board meeting minutes 5.9.24 motion to approve by Shana, 2nd by Enos, all in favor.</p>
<p>Board Business – <i>Action Required</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reappropriating funding – Mental Health (Vote Required) • Family Connections Contract Negotiation (Vote Required) • Association of Early Childhood Iowa Area Boards and Advocates 	<p>Reappropriating funding – Discussion regarding moving of funding from Headstart Early Care and Support program to Mental Health Consultant. Motion to not approve reappropriating funding by Shana, second by Jennifer, all in favor.</p> <p>Family Connections Contract Negotiation – The Board reviewed all sections of the contract suggested by MercyOne.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance with equal employment and affirmative action – strike to remove – motion by Jen, 2nd by Shana, all in favor. • Choice of law and forum – Stirk to remove – motion by Shana, 2nd by Enos, all in favor. • Use of third parties – strike to remove – motion by Shana, 2nd by Enos, all in favor. • Integration – strike to remove – motion by Ken, 2nd by Enos, discussion, all in favor. • Subrogation – deny removal remains in contract – motion by Shana, 2nd by Ken, all in favor. <p>Association of Early Childhood Iowa Area Boards and Advocates annual renewal of membership is \$579. Jaci serves as designated representative. Motion to approve membership and Jaci serving as designated representative by Jennifer, 2nd by Shana, all in favor.</p>
<p>Director Update –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Contract Signed • Billing Process for Quarterly Payments • Press Release on Awards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The State ECI contract for FY25 has been signed. • To obtain quarterly payments from ECI, Jaci will be submitting an invoice via Iowa Grants. The method for how this will occur has not yet been determined by the state. We are waiting on training and direction. • Chapter 21 was changes to Board meetings no longer

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reporting Requirements / Changes • FY25 Program Year 	<p>require an in-person meeting option. Meetings may be virtual.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board was asked if they would like to have a press release done on funding awarded for FY25. Ken and Jen highly recommended we do this. Jaci will complete.
<p>Financial Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FY24 Funding Summary 	<p>FY24 Funding Worksheet 7.3.24 was reviewed. Jaci is still waiting on some June billing to determine final FY24 funds spent. At this point:</p> <p>Overall – 92% spent School Ready – 91% spent School Ready Administration – 80% spent Quality Improvement – 91% spent Early Childhood – 92% spent Early Childhood Administration – 13% spent (there are executive director expense that will be account for in June billing)</p>
<p>Public Comment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Health Program 	<p>Trena Cox gave an update on the Mental health program and a recent meeting with Joni Ernst.</p>
<p>Next Meeting Date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 8, 2024 	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Motion to adjourn by Ken, 2nd by Enos, all in favor. Meeting concluded at 1:57.</p>

Funded programs in attendance: CCR&R consultant/BIP/Professional Development, Family Connections and Head Start Mental Health/Transportation/Early Care and Support.