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# LYCOMING-CLINTON EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

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Clinton County Interagency Coordinating Council  
and  
Clinton County Community Engagement Group

Minutes  
April 28, 2010

**Attendance:**

Marilyn E Ely	MH/MR Early Intervention
Tobi Diggs	Child Care Information System
Barb Wilson	MH/MR Early Intervention
Laurie Welch	Penn State Cooperative Extension
Candace Reeder	Department of Health
Lisa Bangson	Infant Development Program
Wendy Lupold	Infant Development Program
Vickie Dodds	Lycoming-Clinton Head Start

**Review of Minutes:**

Minutes were reviewed. Candy Reeder made a motion to accept as presented. Wendy Lupold seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

**Agency Updates:**

Department of Health: Clinics have been very busy. DOH has shingles shots for people over 60 and they are free.

Infant Development Program: There will be teacher appreciation week next week.

Graduation will be in June. April 17<sup>th</sup> was the Children’s Health Screening. Attendance was low. April 24<sup>th</sup> was the Children’s Festival and the turnout continues to decline.

Head Start: They have been providing a class for parents about getting their children ready for kindergarten called “Gearing up for Kindergarten”. It is 8 weeks and includes the children. It has been well received by families.

Early Intervention: Verification is coming up in June.

Child Care Information: There are no wait lists.

Penn State Extension” There is a leadership advocacy panel being presented at the Penn Stater if anyone is interested. It is May 25 from 6:30 to 8:30. There will be a car seat event at Burger King. Laurie was able to get bike helmets for one of the Head start classrooms and is hoping to be able to provide them for the other classes.

**Ongoing Business:**

Finance: \$973.60

Child/Find Screenings: Mon May 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:30. The last screening there were 10 children and 8 referrals for follow up. It took longer so that the times for evaluation need to be adjusted so that families are not waiting so long.

School Readiness workshop is set for June 7<sup>th</sup>. Invitations have gone out to child cares. There will also be a child care appreciation ad in the paper and there will be a gift certificate for each child care.

PA One Book. There were 400 books distributed to child care providers. The readings went well.

Expo May 12<sup>th</sup> Laurie will have a Community Engagement Group table at the Expo and is asking for volunteers to man it for an hour or so during the day.

Karen Ponder, a well known early childhood educator will be speaking at the mandatory CEG meeting May 19<sup>th</sup>. If anyone would be interested in going let Laurie know.

### **New Business:**

Marilyn asked for input on the child find plan. She presented a document that Karen Krise had developed for the other two counties served by IU#10 which can be used to collect data and then build a child find plan around that. The group felt that that would be appropriate and would like to look at the data in September and then provide input. The group also suggested that the brochure be updated.

Dr. Dietrich had suggested a "bag of books" that could be available in doctor's offices and updated on a regular basis so that children would have materials available to them as they waited. Jackie who is IDP's AmeriCorps volunteer is interested but it is a big project for one person. The group proposed that Jackie do some preliminary work by contacting doctors' offices and see if they would be interested, contact AAUW to see if leftovers from their book sale might be available and we could also use some copies of the PA One Book. Once the data has been gathered it will be presented to the group and then a decision will be made about what to do about the project.

The group also discussed ways to reach out to the community to try to engage parents to come to the meeting. We could distribute more meeting notices. Laurie is willing to do a newspaper article and perhaps we could focus on active things that parents could do to support their children with special needs. In this way there would be a specific purpose for them to come to the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is May 26 at 9:30.