

Local Interagency Council 45 Minutes from May 13th, 2016 @ 8:30 am Location: Abilities Plus, Kewanee, Il.

I. <u>Participants:</u>

Kelly Walters/Kewanee PreK/Roe Lori Doyle/Abilities Plus Andrea Zimmerman/Abilities Plus Jana Clancy/HSCSED Janean Friedman/Wethersfield #230 Karen Cooley/Abilities Plus Jennifer Spets/ROE Erica Strunk/CFC Karen Rogula/Kcud229 PreK Kelsey Noy/ROE, Parents as Teachers Lori Christianson/ OSF St Luke DeAnn Piotrowski/Abilities Plus Nathan Wager/CFC Brittany Lewis/Abilities Plus Michelle Harr/CFC

II. <u>Minutes from March 11th, 2016</u> Motion to approve: Karen C. 2nd – Jana C. Minutes approved

- **III.** <u>**Committees:**</u> The group shared with new LIC/CFC staff how they work as a whole instead of doing separate committees. They have had more success and great follow through since starting this a couple of years ago. It was mentioned that that the next action should be revisiting/updating binders given to doctor's offices last year.
- IV. Spring Activity- The Bubble Man, May 10th, 4-5:30 The spring event went well. Approximately 90 people attended. Children were given a free book, bubbles, fruit snacks, and a bottle of water. The books left over from the event will be brought to July meeting for LIC members to hand out at home visits.
- V. <u>Discuss LIC #45 Money/Budget</u>: After purchasing books, bubbles, water, and snacks for spring event, 70 books to share with parents, and 100 OAE tips, there was approximately 700.00 left to spend in the FY16 budget. The group discussed and motioned by Janean F and 2nd by Jana C, approved to spend 600.00 on hand sanitizers to hand out for public awareness and 100.00 to cover cost of updating binders for doctor's offices.

VI. <u>Manager's Report/Provider Information (Michelle Harr)</u>

- a. Nathan Wager, the new Henry/Stark service coordinator has received his temporary credential and has begun building his caseload. The CFC also hired a new SC to cover Michelle's place since accepting the program managers position. Jennifer Kestel will begin June 6th.
- b. Jim could not be in attendance, Michelle shared the information from the Review Committee quarterly report on his behalf. Also shared was the numbers/reports from the state on how the CFC is performing. Referrals are still strong, but the recent shortage of speech therapist is causing a higher percentage of service delays.
- c. A date has not been set as of yet for the Autism training. Michelle is waiting for Melinda Radloff to confirm when she is available to do it. This training will be free, and located in the Henry/Stark area.



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VII. **Program Updates/Announcements:**

- a. The next Provider Meeting is June 14th, at 9 am at Abilities Plus.
 b. A new breast feeding support group, "Café and Latte Club" will be the 4th Tuesdays every month at the Geneseo Public Library in the boardroom 10-11am.
- c. Summer concert series in Kewanee begins June 23rd, and will be every Thursday at 6:30pm in Veterans Park.
- d. Kewanee Public Library has PreK Story time on Tuesdays @11:30

***Next LIC #45 meeting date: July 8th, 2016 8:30-9:30 am @ Abilities Plus, Kewanee

Purpose/Mission Statement of LIC #45

The Henry/Stark Counties Local Interagency Council functions within the Child and Family Connections (CFC) and its purpose is to promote a comprehensive, coordinated local early intervention service system to meet the developmental needs of children birth to 5 years of age and the needs of their families.

It is the council's belief that early intervention services in Henry and Stark Counties should be designed to fulfill this purpose by accepting, supporting and empowering young children and their families to become active participants in all facets of early intervention service delivery. This mission also includes the need to inform and educate the community about the availability of services and enhance public awareness regarding issues relevant to children with special needs.