



Local Interagency Council 45  
2nd edition Minutes from  
January 8th, 2016 @ 8:30 am  
Location: Abilities Plus, Kewanee, Il.

**I. Participants:**

Renee Ketelsen/UIC-DSCC	Marsha Streicher/CFC-LIC-c
Lori Doyle/Abilities Plus	Kelsey Noy/ROE, Parents as Teachers
Andrea Zimmerman/Abilities Plus	Hermelinda Quezada/ROE, PAT's
Jana Clancy/HSCSED	DeAnn Piotrowski/Abilities Plus
Janean Friedman/Wethersfield #230	Amy Jackson/CFC
Karen Cooley/Abilities Plus	Brittany Lewis/Abilities Plus

**II. Minutes from November 13th**

Motion to approve: Jana C.  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Karen C. Minutes approved

**III. Review Christmas Party:** The EI?PI party was well attended and was a lot of fun for the children/parents and LIC members. Santa was a bit late in his arrival so we sang more songs and read another book, but the new Santa was great (Herb Rucker) and seemed to really enjoy the children. Next year we ask him to arrive 15 minutes early. Happy Joes provided the food again, which was very good. Karen heard that providing food for special needs children was written into their Mission Statement by the owner, which is marvelous for the LIC #45 needs! All responses were positive on this years party.

**IV. Discuss LIC #45 Money/Budget**

Lots of Discussion occurred on the best way to spend LIC funds, some suggestions were:

- Radio Ads
- ASQ kits
- Canvas Bags to Dr.'s /clinics for after a well visit
- Foam Balls to Dr.'s /clinics for after a well visit
- Snack bowls w/flip up lids to disperse
- EI supplies/OAE Tip sheets
- Preschool Screening supplies
- Resource Books to share with parents, Autism, sign language
- Story books for children, given at home visits or during a library activity
- Kewanee Library Story Hour, possibly in May
- Invite "Bubble Guy" Geoff Atkins to Library Story hour (Bubble Wondershow)
- Give bubbles to children after Bubble Guy has performed
- Super Stolie was another suggestion if Bubble Guy is unavailable or too expensive. She reads stories to rhythms & music activities ([www.reverbnation.com](http://www.reverbnation.com))
- EI trainings through CFC #14 or CFC #13, the LIC absorbs the costs of participating

A motion was made by: Andrea Z. and 2<sup>nd</sup>d by Renee K. (all attending members agreed)

LIC #45 agreed to spend up to \$2,000 dollars on a Spring Activity and a performer, at the Kewanee Public Library, with each child receiving a paperback book, a bottle of bubbles (possible) and a snack. We also agreed to purchase some OAE Tips, and to purchase some resource books for parents to use when requested (autism topics, sign language, developmental delays, etc). If there is money left over from these purchases, we would like to purchase some promotional items, with the LIC logo printed on, to be handed out at home visits and scheduled screenings/public awareness activities.



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V. **Manager's Report/Provider Information (reported by Marsha S. as Gary R. was unable to attend**

- a. Referrals: Nov. 2014-95  
Nov. 2015-102  
Dec. 2014-102  
Dec. 2015-54 (40 referrals were held until after the holidays and will be reflected in Jan 2016 #'s)
- b. CFC statistics are great, there are no penalties at this time and we should see 4 incentives in the next quarter
- c. The CFC is up to date on payments from the state
- d. Case Reviews will be opened up to the EI community. With a decrease in EI Sponsored trainings more and more providers and SC's have contacted the CFC to attend case reviews. Some inquiries have come as far as Chicago. EI credits are available when attending a Case Review.

VI. **Program Updates/Announcements:**

- a. The next Preschool Collaboration Meeting is on 3-14, 8-10:15 @ Kewanee Administration Offices.
- b. The next Human Services meeting is on Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> (always the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month) at 12noon at the Blackhawks Community Education Center on 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
- c. Farmer Jason will be performing at the Kewanee H.S. Peterson Auditorium on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.
- d. Family Violence Prevention Community will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month, re-starts in 2016 on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 12-1pm at P.L. Damrons restaurant.

VII. **Discussion of a possible Legislative Breakfast:** Sponsored/organized by LIC #45. We will discuss this at the March 11<sup>th</sup> LIC meeting.

**\*\*\*Next LIC #45 meeting date: March 11th, 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.