



Local Interagency Council 45  
Minutes from  
March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 9 am  
Location: Abilities Plus, Kewanee

I. **Participants:**

Nicole Enderle/BHSROE	Jessica Thompson/DSCC
Levi Russell/Abilities Plus	Jim Runyon/Easterseals
Deena Brants/Lyle PreK	Gaylene Gilbert/Abilities Plus
Mandy Rutter Daly/CFC	Janean Freeman/Wethersfield
Michelle Harr/CFC	Erica Strunk/CFC

II. **Minutes from October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Motion to approved: Lori  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Nichole; Minutes approved

III. **Jim Runyon/State of the State:**

- A. Jim presented the Review Committee data from the CFC for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of FY19. He explained the breakdown of each page, out going referrals, incoming referrals, and referral sources. He also handed out the CFC performance sheets and explained the data within them.
- B. Jim informed council of 3 bills in the State Senate at this time. The first one is State Bill 155. This directly impacts EI. It will allow any child to automatically qualify for EI that test positive for lead by a blood test. The second bill is Senate Bill 1316 (HB2191). This bill will increase the pay for EI providers by 3%, and 6% for developmental therapist. The last bill is an attempt to have APN's allowed to be credentialed for diagnostics for EI, along with the Bureau looking into allowing Telehealth for delivery of EI services.
- C. April 2<sup>nd</sup> is Autism Awareness Day, and April 3<sup>rd</sup> is Early Childhood Education Day at the Capitol.

IV. **Budget and Goals:**

- A. The State changed the LIC's budgets, and the upcoming fiscal year will be even less. LIC 45 has 1,046.00 left to spend by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
- B. Michelle explained how we are going to hold an event in Peoria for EI providers to participate, that will give families a "look" at what EI is and can offer their children. We will try and secure a location in Henry/Stark to do the same. Nicole motioned to spend 646.00 on the event that will include radio advertisements and public awareness materials. Lori 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.
- C. Erica brought up the Free 2 Play Tots event that LIC participated in last year. Nicole motioned to spend 400, and Janean 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.
- D. New membership agreements were passed out.



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v. **Manager's Report/Provider Information (Michelle Harr):**

- A. Michelle reiterated the need for developmental therapist in our 5 counties.
- B. The service coordinator position for the Peoria floater has been filled; Sarah Neuhaus will be starting March 11<sup>th</sup>. Still looking for the Metamora/Woodford county service coordinator position. Administrative assistant position also available. (Update: Sherri Smith hired and begins April 1<sup>st</sup>).
- C. Monitoring visit went well, but few things will be worked on for improvement.
- D. The CFC will be closed April 19<sup>th</sup> for Good Friday.
- E. Case reviews are the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday every month at 10am. EI credits are available, and usually transferrable to other CE hours. Please call, text, or email Michelle if you are interested in attending. Michelle will gladly use Skype if that is preferred over traveling to the CFC.
- F. If you are interested in having trainings for CE hours, contact Michelle. There will be a BDI training at the CFC on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

vi. **Program Updates/Announcements:**

- A. Wethersfield is looking for a bi-lingual aide.
- B. Screening dates at Lyle School are March 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- C. Special Needs Information Fair is March 12<sup>th</sup>, at the Peoria Civic Center, @5-8pm.

**\*\*\*Next LIC #45 meeting date: April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019, location TBD**

**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.