

Tuesday, April 10, 2012  
Early Learning Partnership  
Board Meeting Minutes

Members present: Julie Case, Ouida Dest, John Gettys, Sue Gover, Ellen Green, Suzanne Harnois, David Lisk, Julie Neeley, Susan Martoccia, Jane Turpin, Jim Vining  
Staff: Donna Wooldridge, Shannon League, Teresa Creech, Cindy Hunt

Jim Vining welcomed us and thank Cindy Hunt for hosting the meeting this morning. Acknowledged the Rock Hill School Board meeting was held at the Rock Hill Resource Center and how productive it hopefully was being hosted at the Resource Center. (Increased Awareness)

Julie Case- Bowl-a-thon Report- Julie reported on the Bowl-a-thon and how lane sponsorship is down compared to last year at this time. She did get \$800 for lane sponsors at the meeting. She reminded the Board members that they are asked to obtain a minimum of two lane sponsors and two silent auction items. The next board meeting is a week before the Bowl-a-thon.

Community Awareness Report- The Clover Community Leader's Breakfast is on May 8<sup>th</sup> at the Clover Resource Center. The invitations will be mailed off by Shannon soon. She thanked those assisting with getting the addresses prepared. (Marlene Spencer, Sue Gover and Dr. Marc Sosne) Stephen's presentation will be video taped in Clover. Duke Energy sent a check in 2011 and will be the sponsor for the breakfast. Clover School District is catering the event.

Cindy Hunt reported on the Rock Hill Resource Center. They just finished the last session of Family Literacy. They are dealing with two clients in the Adult Education Class with health problems. All programs are going well. Catawba had to move out of the building and Youth Source is moving out as well. The moves are beneficial for both agencies. Cindy is not sure who will be moving in. She talked about Baby Palooza at the hospital and she talked with some potential donors. She pointed out the Bunlay plaque that was hanging in the room for Board members to see.

John Gettys- Nominating Committee

There is a Board seat in Rock Hill, one in York, Clover's seat is coming open with George Gessner's getting off, and Fort Mill has one open to take Dan Holloway's place. School Superintendent Sosnee has been on for 3 years. Asking Dr. Epps to take over the spot. Another idea is the ask Jody Rankin. Diane Dasher is a possibility. The Board discussed maybe getting an assistant to a Superintendent to be a representative. David Lisk suggested getting Dr. Sosnee to talk with the other Superintendents.

David Lisk- First Steps- David reported that First Steps is still trying to get money to go towards teen mother's scholarships. Trying to keep these teen mothers in school. Have a joint request with ELP from the Junior Welfare League for a grant. Count Down to Kindergarten will be combined with the annual meeting in August. Expecting 80 children. Roger Day (children's composer and author) will perform. Asking Resource agencies, including ELP, to be there. David talked about Baby Net. It is for children birth to 3 years old with disabilities. The concerns that Baby Net have include trying to fix deficiencies, federal regulations are changing, and trying to figure out how to integrate in the County. Baby Net is working with Resource Centers and trying to fix these problems. Need to track process and try and help all children get what they need. There are 4 people on staff. They need to find office space close to First Steps. It would be ideal to have First Steps and Baby Net in the same space. The connection between DHEC and Baby Net are severing. Baby Net needs to get out of DHEC office and find another office. Asking Resource Centers to put them in. Trying to get more integration with other agencies.

Jim Vining asked for a headcount of Board members planning on attending the Board Strategic Planning meeting on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting will be from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm at the Rock Hill Resource Center.

Treasurer Report- Suzanne went over balance sheet. She reported that we are under budget because we didn't get money anticipated for the Medical Clinic. Donna said we should be receiving that money soon. Suzanne suggested that we get LeighAnn to print off a more itemized list.

Total Assets, Liabilities and Capital	\$ 87,577.88
Total YTD Revenue	249,713.23
Total YTD Expenses	<u>326,262.36</u>
Net Income	\$ (76,549.13)

Teresa- We didn't have clinic numbers for last month because of Spring Break. She will report two months at next meeting. Visits are way ahead this year due to having the nurse practitioner. On March 27<sup>th</sup>, Robin Williams (along with Teresa) had the United Way in for a tour. Dolly Parton books now have instructional guidelines in the back to help the parents. ELP is asking for \$12,000 from United Way. Donna and Suzanne are going to United Way on April 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 am to find out if we get that amount. Teresa mentioned that Krispy Kreme has a fun run to raise money. If we could find a connection with Krispy Kreme to partner up with, it would be beneficial long term.

Donna reported that DPIL delivered 3,402 books last month in York County. Motion to write a grant to Target and ask for \$2,000. Approved. ROAR reports were done and 4,974 books were delivered since July.

Next ELP Board Meeting- May 15, 2012 at York Family Resource Center.