

January 21, 2015  
The Early Learning Partnership of York County  
Fort Mill District Office

**Members present:** Cheri Barton, Ouida Dest, Sylvia Echols, Tom Faulkenberry, Ellen Green, Sue Gover, Jamillah Hasan-Jones, David Lisk, Gene Martin, Kimberly McIntire, Susan Miskelly, Julie Neeley, Vernon Prosser, Jody Rankin, Miguel Rullan, Marie Spearman, Teresa Creech and Shannon League

Ouida opened at 8:35 am.

Fort Mill Resource Center's Report- Jane Culp was not present, but below is her report.

I am sorry that I cannot be with you today, but LEAP welcomes you to Fort Mill. We have had a successful year so far. We are serving 65 families with home visits, monthly parent-child group connections, and regular parent discussions meetings. We direct our families to the medical clinic which comes to Fort Mill on Wednesdays and to other school and community resources.

The biggest recent event for LEAP has been the opening of the new Riverview Elementary School at 1300 Spratt Street. LEAP has meeting rooms and office space in the new building and we are gradually making the move from our offices in the Nesbitt Building. Riverview is the third new elementary school to open this school year in the Fort Mill School District.

Financial Report-

Total Assets, Liabilities and Capital	\$149,092.49
Total YTD Revenue	\$155,015.51
Total YTD Expenses	\$126,827.94
Net Income	\$ 28,187.57

First Steps Report- David Lisk

1. Early Head Start Child Care Partnerships and 4K Expansion
  - a. Still waiting on final direction from the Federal Government on timing and requirements for funding for these programs.
2. Nurse Family Partnership
  - a. Working to complete the Implementing Agency Plan Application which is due on January 23, 2015.
  - b. A number of community meetings with referral agencies and support organizations have been conducted in all three counties in the last several weeks.
  - c. We are still on track to begin the hiring process in March/April of this year and begin enrolling clients in May/June.
3. Early Childhood Conference
  - a. Our annual conference is scheduled for Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup> at Dutchman Creek Middle School.
  - b. Martha Reed Johnson will be the keynote speaker; she is an award winning story teller for preschool children.
  - c. We plan to host between 300-350 child care professionals at this year's event.

David sent around a letter of support for the Nurse Family Partnership. Had all of the Board members sign the letter.

Executive Director's Report- Teresa Creech

- February 1 Golf Tourney to benefit ELP- I will need a couple additional volunteers for a few hours that morning. I will be there all day. Shannon will be there in the am. Let me know if you can volunteer a few hours.

- Saturday, January 24th at Beth Shiloh Presbyterian Church. 10am - Noon. Mission Fair. Ellen Green will be attending with me. Others are invited.
- RH School District - Early Childhood Innovation Network meeting on January 22nd with Dr. Pew.
- May Board Meeting- Our May meeting will be the last time that our Medical Staff will still be a part of ELP. I would like to invite them to our meeting that day along with our volunteer docs. This would be a good opportunity to say Thanks to them for being such a crucial part of ELP over the past 13 years. This meeting will be in Fort Mill.
- ROAR Survey-response has been low. Continuing to send out surveys to additional parents through the WU Research Lab.
- York Rotary meeting and proceeds- ELP received \$7268 from the Beach Bash to go towards DPIL. WOW!
- Grants: Junior Welfare League (ROAR) and Fort Mill Rotary(DPIL) submitted. United Way Phase II to be completed.
- Evaluations: York County Community Foundation to be completed. SCFCA Annual Outcomes to be completed. (Both for the Med Clinic).
- Audit soon to be completed.
- DPIL 1615 Clients \$3,266 monthly invoice
- SC Association of Non-Profits (SCANPO) Conference- I will be attending on February 9-11
- Our next Exec meeting has been rescheduled due to the conference for Friday, February 13th at 12:30pm. Location TBD.
- RH Reads: next meeting on January 29th.
- Little Free Libraries RH Rotary, Mayor Echols -dedication at Cedar Crest Park on February 26th at 10:30am
- March 7th- Central City Optimist Club- ELP will be the program.
- Storage Unit- ELP will begin pricing units for storing Race items, books, etc.
- \$7000 from RH School District for DPIL
- \$19,000 from The Springs Close Fdn for ROAR
- \$ 2,500 from Founders Federal Credit Union for KKRace
- **Krispy Kreme Race - Run 4 Reading** - oh my gosh, it is getting here quickly! We have lots of fun stuff to talk about at our meeting!

DPIL- We need to revisit how much ELP can afford. We are counting on the Resource Directors to give us names of the needy families that are interested in DPIL..

Teresa showed the KK Race shirt, posters, etc. She talked about Facebook and spreading the word through social media. She then went over the timeline for the race day. John Gettys will be MCing that day. There will be music at Winthrop and Fountain Park. Zumba instructors will be warming the runners up before the race. We are in need of 2 tents. Clean and Green will be at the park to recycle boxes and water bottles. Water Stations will be down Oakland Avenue. There will be a Kidz Zone at Winthrop with a bouncy house. Groucho's Deli will provide fruit and snacks and Coca-Cola will be providing bottled water. Trophies will go to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place runners that eat and 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place runners will get a plaque. Parking details are on the website. There will be 2 EMTs on site. Fort Mill High School Video Team will be doing a video of the day. Need volunteers to get trashcans to schools and then back to the race. Packet pick up will be done by S, B & R. Sam's Club is packing the packets.

We are getting prices to rent a storage unit for our books and race supplies.

Next Meeting: February, 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am at Rock Hill Resource Center