

March 18, 2015
The Early Learning Partnership of York County
York Resource Center

Members present: Sylvia Echols, Tom Faulkenberry, John Gettys, Ellen Green, Jamillah Hasan-Jones, David Lisk, Gene Martin, Kimberly McIntire, Susan Miskelly, Julie Neeley, Vernon Prosser, Jody Rankin, Marie Spearman, Jane Culp, Cindy Hunt, Penny Sanders, Teresa Creech and Shannon League

Ouida was sick so Julie Neeley opened at 8:35 am. Julie thanked Teresa for all of her hard work on the KK Race. Each Board member said what their favorite part of the race was for them.

York Resource Center's Report- Penny Sanders

- Participated in Read across America Day at Jefferson Elementary School by reading with second grader on March 6.
- Story time and Parent/Child interactive literacy activities dates are March 10 and March 24.
- Drop in and Play days are March 6 and March 20.
- Parent Cafe days are March 13, March 20 and March 27.
- Teen Parent Meeting date is March 17.
- Volunteered at the Early Childhood Conference on March 14.
- York Family Resource Center and Blue Choice Medicaid are hosting a "Diaper Day" on March 18.
- Transition workshop for Head Start Parents on March 18.
- Participating in site visits for the Allocation Investment Council for the United Way of York County on March 19 and March 25

Financial Report-

Total Assets, Liabilities and Capital	\$181,186.70
Total YTD Revenue	\$228,805.14
Total YTD Expenses	\$168,547.83
Net Income	\$ 60,257.31

A copy of the 990 was sent via email for the members to review. John Gettys made a motion to approve the 990. David Lisk seconded. Motion passed.

First Steps Report- David Lisk

1. Nurse Family Partnership
 - a. Our Implementing Plan has been approved by the NFP National Service Office.
 - b. Negotiations between the State DHEC officials and Pay for Success have taken longer than expected. The National Service Office for NFP has gotten involved and trying to push things forward. The issue is the rate of return to the investors. To assist in insuring progress, YCFS has offered to redirect a sizable portion of our current budget to alter the calculus of the timing to start. Our willingness to "invest", even in a temporary manner, has been well received. Our objective is to start quickly and maintain the current excitement and support by the communities involved.
 - c. Anyone interested in being considered as an NFP Home Visitation Nurse of Supervisor should contact me. Further information can be found at their website www.nursefamilypartnership.org.
2. Early Childhood Conference
 - a. Our annual early childhood conference was this past Saturday at Dutchman Creek Middle School.
 - b. Martha Reed Johnson was our keynote speaker; she is an award winning story teller for preschool children.

- c. We hosted about 170 child care professionals at this year's event and with School District employees and volunteers had approximately 225 in attendance.
3. Countdown to Kindergarten
 - a. We are beginning the planning process for CTK for this summer with projections to serve 140-160 children.
 - b. We will be making contacts with prospective teachers and identifying children to potentially enroll.
 - c. The joint county wide Celebration, co-hosted with the Children's Museum will be on August 6, 2015 in downtown Rock Hill.

Executive Director's Report- Teresa Creech

Teresa passed around a book for The Little Free Library, showing the sticker that is to be put on every book that goes in the library. Teresa talked about the cost of the audit. When ELP no longer has the Medical Clinics, we will go below the \$300,000 mark. Do we still want to go ahead and do a full audit? The United Way requires us to do an audit when we make more than \$300,000.

- Grant application submitted to United Way for \$5000-ROAR on Feb. 27.
- Working on paperwork for the SCDHHS to receive money for the Clinic.
- Was notified by York Rotary that their annual Beach Bash to benefit ELP-DPIL will be next Fall- November 7th, 2015. Put the date on your calendar.
- DPIL current enrollment- #1496 \$2988
- Little Free Library dedication was held at Cedar Crest Park on Tuesday, March 10th at 10:30am. It was a great turnout! Kids from the Palmetto School came to fill up the LFL.
- Will reschedule to speak to the Women of York First Presbyterian Church, York, due to weather cancellations-twice. Yet, they will be donating to Coins for Kids.
- Spoke to Central City Optimist Club on March 7th.
- Rescheduled to speak to the Lake Wylie Rotary on April 28th.
- Met with Grady and Nancy Love, owners at Honey Baked Ham. They are interested to engage with ELP in some way.
- Will not receive funding from FM Rotary this year. They made less money and decided to fund fewer groups with more money vs. a lot of groups with a little money.
- Storage Unit: This is working out well for all of the Race items and Books we have.
- Continuing to wait on CHS re: Free Medical Clinic: ELP continues to wait to hear from CHS as to our status with them regarding repayment of employees' salaries or receipt of an in-kind contribution for ELP.
- Audit and 990: per the opinion of ELP's auditor, the money that we owe CHS for the salaries of the Nurse and Clerk will be treated as a liability on our books until we hear otherwise from CHS. Our 990-Tax Return has been filed. As a Board, we will vote that the Board has seen the 990 and approves this filing. David Knoble will give ELP a \$750 discount since it took so long to get our work done this year.
- Board Member Recruiting: Exec will discuss what spaces we have for new Board members and the talent and needs for our Board.

KK Race- Grand Total- \$28,000- getting a donation from Sam's Club for about \$2,000.

Sylvia Echols- showed an example of a pin that Betsy Rock is making and giving the proceeds to the #1 Question for their charity (Children in Poverty)

Susan Miskelly reminded the Board about the JWL Ladies Brunch on April 18th. Cheri Barton will be presenting for ELP.

Next Meeting: April 15, 2015 at Clover Resource Center