

November 19, 2014
The Early Learning Partnership of York County
York Resource Center

Members present: Ouida Dest, Tom Faulkenberry, Ellen Green, David Lisk, Gene Martin, Kimberly McIntire, Susan Miskelly, Julie Neeley, Karen Otteni, Vernon Prosser, Marie Spearman, Jane Culp, Penny Sanders, Teresa Creech and Shannon League

Ouida opened at 8:35 am. Went around and said what we are going to do at the KK Race- Run, Walk, Volunteer.

York Resource Center's Report- Penny Sanders

Benefit Bank- 6 applicants

Holiday Partners- 96 applications

October- Parent Education Classes

Monthly Information on Literacy shared with Head Start Parents-

Parent Café- Be Strong Families which focuses on five protective factors that strengthen the family. Each Parent Café includes five different sessions for parents. One protective factor is discussed in each session. Protective Factors: **Resilience**- Parental Resilience, **Relationships**-Social Connections, **Knowledge**-Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development, **Support**- Concrete Support in Times of Need, **Communication**- Social and Emotional Competence of Children.

On The Safe Side Series- 4794- These posters are given to parents of elementary school students each month and contain information and activities on safety. (pedestrian, car seat, fire, railroad, gun ,etc.)

Newsletters- We send out 1,378 newsletters each month to Parenting Partnerships families, Head Start families and 4K through first grade of all elementary schools in York .

Financial Report-

Total Assets, Liabilities and Capital	\$142,134.08
Total YTD Revenue	\$114,505.38
Total YTD Expenses	\$ 93,709.12
Net Income	\$ 20,796.26

First Steps Report- David Lisk

Early Head Start Child Care Partnership & 4K Expansion

- a. Waiting on Grant request for EHS-CC Partnership for York Co.
- b. We provided additional community support letters for the next phase of evaluations from community leaders and child care providers.
- c. Decisions will be shared in Dec/January timeframe for both of these opportunities to expand existing services to additional at risk children in York County.

Quality Counts

- a. We are developing a plan to transition from our current Quality Enhancement Strategy for providing technical assistance to child care providers by using "quality counts".
- b. "Quality Counts" is a quality rating program to help child care providers achieve measureable quality levels regarding the programs they provide to the children they serve. "Quality Count" has been piloted in Spartanburg County for the past several years and is expanding to interested communities.

BabyNet

- a. We hosted a meeting in October with the Family Resource Directors, Parent Educators, the BabyNet Office for York County and the State BabyNet Supervisor for Client Assessments.
- b. The objective was to facilitate a smoother transition for families between BabyNet and other services primarily offered through the Family Resource Centers.
- c. The exchange of information was very beneficial and definitive opportunities were explored for making these transitions smoother for the families we collectively serve.

Executive Director's Report- Teresa Creech

Lots going on with ELP. See below items I am working on for our great cause!

- Medical Clinic Transition with Catawba Care
- Carolina's HealthCare System-nurse and clerk transition, their salaries.
- Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) is coming to York County! A collaboration of the Tri County (Chester, York, Lancaster) to provide a nationally, evidenced based program of home visits and nursing care for prenatal Moms and their children until age two. NFP's mission is to empower first-time mother's living in poverty to successfully change their lives and the lives of their children through evidence-based nurse home visiting.
- BTR- Born to Read: Numbers are UP!
- ROAR- Reach Out and Read: site visit with The Springs Close Foundation.
- DPIL- Dolly Parton Imagination Library: York Rotary Beach Bash had approximately 250 in attendance. Food, Band and Venue was great!
- Little Free Libraries- RH Rotary: will dedicate the first "LFL" in January. November 20th grand opening cancelled due to request by City.
- Lake Wylie Rotary: literacy project brainstorming coming in January!
- Super Bowl Golf Tourney: February 1st, 2015.
- Revenflo: Givilio mobile platform app- Beta testing phase- ELP has been asked to participate.
- Amazon Smile: sign up for this on your amazon acct. Like and Share on facebook. Email to friends. Spread the word. An easy way to make money during Holiday shopping.
- Facebook: Please Like and Share everything that Shannon puts on our page. We want to increase our PR and spread the word of what we are doing in York County. Go thru your friends list and invite!
- Westminster Church looking to create a partnership with ELP and provide funds and volunteers. Fall Festival event for 2015 is being planned.
- SC Free Clinic Association Conference: I attended in Greenville. So many good bits of information. Met with SCDHHS. ELP will be able to apply for some additional money in 2015 to go to the Med Clinic.
- Grant Writing Season is ramping back up! United Way, Junior Welfare League, etc.
- Waiting to hear back from the John & Polly Sparks Fdn(Med Clinic) and the Springs Close Fdn(ROAR)
- Krispy Kreme Race - Run 4 Reading!!!
Sponsorships, New Logo, Webpage, New Partners! Fabulous Good News!

Comporium will be a \$10,000 Sponsor! The Race website should be up and running by the end of November. Dr. Prosser talked about the importance of getting the outside York area involved about the KK Race.

Ellen Green talked about The Garden Café's shop and how it has a Christmas Show. She encouraged everyone to check it out.

Shannon reminded everyone about the smile.Amazon.com giving program.

Next Meeting: December 17, 2014 at Clover Resource Center