

**JMP (Jasper, Marion, Poweshiek) EARLY CHILDHOOD AREA
BOARD ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**

Skiff Medical Center, 204 N 4th Ave East, Newton
Wednesday March 14, 2018 at 5:15 pm

<i>Name</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>	<i>Unexcused</i>	<i>Non-Board</i>
John Grennan (business) Board Vice Chair		X	X		
Steve McCombs (elected)		X	X		
John Leeper (citizen)	X				
Muriel Johannessen (faith)	X				
Doug Cameron (education)	X				
Mary Lindberg (citizen) Board Treasurer	X				
Britney Schnathorst (consumer) Board Chair		X	X		
Betty Moll (health)		X	X		
Julie Wendl (human services)	X				
Amy Blanchard (Director)	X				X
Sue Gienger (CCR&R)	X				X
Rachel Garner (MCPH PAT)	X				X

- I. The meeting was called to order by Mary Lindberg, Treasurer, at 5:15 pm.
- II. Roll Call: JMP Board Members present include Leeper, Lindberg, Johannessen, Cameron, and Wendl. Schnathorst, Moll, Grennan and McCombs were absent. A quorum was reached.
- III. Approval of Minutes: **Motion to approve** minutes of January 24, 2018 board meeting by Cameron. **Seconded** by Johannesson. Motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Public Comment/Provider Reports: Gienger highlighted Reach for the Stars grants that have been awarded, new home providers that have registered or increased their QRS rating and the month of May child care provider appreciation promotion that will feature "I can work because of a child care provider!" stickers. Garner reported MCPH PAT is at full capacity and is looking to increase staff by a part-time position through a CBCAP grant in cooperation with Crossroads. PAT will also purchase new, portable vision and hearing screeners. Garner reported Jasper County PAT has a full load for the full time employee and is seeking a part-time educator.
- V. Treasurer's Report: Board reviewed the financial report current as of February 28, 2018. Lindberg noted an additional line item on the budget which accounts for the shift in funds from Jasper County Parents as Teachers to Marion County Parents as Teachers, as approved at the last board meeting. Expenses for Jasper County PAT will continue to be tracked separately though will be included in MCPH's total spending. Lindberg asked the Treasurer's Report be accepted and filed for audit.
- VI. Director's Report: The director's report was included in the board packet. Blanchard gave a brief update on the status of the child care survey that is currently live in the Grinnell community.
- VII. Old Business:
 - a. The FY19 RFP schedule was reviewed. RFP was released on March 12th. Proposals are due April 13th. Board discussed meeting on May 22nd in Grinnell at 8:30 a.m. to hear proposal presentations and allocate funding. Board discussed possibility of implementing contract renewal language for FY19 contracts. Blanchard will research board policy regarding changing the contract language and funding implications.

VIII. New Business:

- a. JMP board reviewed current budget projections for preschool scholarships and extended 4-year-old preschool scholarships. Extended 4 year old funding is depleted. **Motion** to shift \$3,200 from Preschool Scholarships to Extended 4-year-old Preschool scholarships by Leeper. **Seconded** by Cameron. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Links to the complete ECI Annual Report were included in the board packet. Blanchard highlighted the historical funding documents and statewide data available for the board.
- c. Compiled data and comments from the JMP board self-evaluation were included in the board packet. Future discussion will include defining goals for board members for FY19.
- d. Blanchard presented information on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) scoring and how scores are calculated. Board discussion followed highlighting how JMP funding helps providers reduce adverse experiences for children.

- IX. Adjournment: **Motion** by Cameron to adjourn. **Seconded** by Wendl. Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm. The JMP Board is scheduled to meet April 25, 2018 at 5:15 pm at Skiff Medical Center in Newton.

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