

**JASPER, MARION, AND POWESHIEK (JMP) COUNTIES EARLY CHILDHOOD IOWA  
BOARD MEETING Minutes**

Foundation Offices at Ahrens Park, 1510 Penrose St, Grinnell, IA 50112  
5:30 pm - Wednesday, May 3, 2023

County	Name	Present		Absent	Excused	Unexcused	Non-Board
		IP	V				
P	Patricia Hinrichs-(human services)		X				
M	Rachel Cecil (citizen)			X	X		
M	Brian Kingrey (education)- Board Chair		X				
J	Mitzi Smith (faith)		X				
P	Doug Cameron (consumer)-		X				
P	Mary Lindberg (citizen)		X				
J	Britney Schnathorst (citizen) Board Treasurer			X	x		
J	Julie Wendl (health)		X				
M	Michael Kacmarynski- (business) Board Vice-Chair		X				
	Amy Blanchard (Director)	X					X
	Leann Andre (CCR&R)		X				X
	Kim Dorn (MCPH Director)		X				X
	Darcy Woodland (MCPH PAT)		X				X
	Mandi Lauderman (AHFA CCNC)		X				X
	Julie Meeker (AHFA CCNC)		X				X
	Tracy Boxx-Vass (AHFA CCNC)		X				X
	Tammy Merrill (AHFA CCNC)		X				X
	Megan Thompson (MICA CCNC)		X				X
	Jana Larsen (MICA CCNC)		X				X
	Jenn West (MICA CCNC)		X				X

- I. The meeting was called to order by Kingrey, Chair, at 5:33 pm. Meeting participation was available in-person at the location noted above and via virtual meeting.
- II. Roll Call: JMP board members present include Cameron, Hinrichs, Kacmarynski, Kingrey, Lindberg, Smith, and Wendl.
- III. Approval of April 19 meeting minutes was deferred until a future date due to insufficient opportunity to review the minutes in advance of the meeting.
- IV. Public Comment: Andre gave a brief report regarding CCR&R.
- V. Executive and Committee Reports:
  - a. Treasurer's Report: Report current through May 1 was included in the board packet. Blanchard has reviewed current and anticipated spending by programs and predicts the board will need to spend \$10,000 that would otherwise be unspent in order to not exceed maximum allowed carry-forward.
- VI. Old Business
  - a. CPPC Community Event Support: Blanchard reported that CPPC funding will be available for snacks so JMP support is not needed.
- VII. New Business:

- a. New Marion County Board Member: Rachel Cecil has resigned her position on the JMP board. Blanchard is seeking applications for a replacement and encouraged board members to refer potential members.
  - b. Review FY23 Meeting Schedule: Board reviewed remaining scheduled dates. After discussion, Board agreed to meet on May 17 via Zoom to approve the FY24 budget and to meet in person in Grinnell on June 21 for the annual meeting.
  - c. FY23 Budget Reallocation: Board reviewed current and predicted spending along with identified needs of two programs that have spent the entirety of their FY23 allocation already. **Motion** to reallocate a total of \$10,000 from unspent SR quality improvement grants among Grinnell Early Learning Center Sliding Fee Scale and GRPH Postpartum Home Visits by Wendl. **Seconded** by Hinrichs. Motion passed unanimously.
  - d. RFP Presentations: Five programs submitted full requests for funding for FY24. Board previously discussed one request as not falling within the JMP mission at this time. The board heard presentations from the following programs:
    - i. Marion County Public Health Parents as Teachers for Jasper and Marion Counties
    - ii. MICA Child Care Nurse Consultant for Jasper and Poweshiek Counties
    - iii. American Home Finding Association Child Care Nurse Consultant for Marion County
    - iv. Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation for Coordination Services
  - e. RFP Scoring: Board discussed each proposal at length and reached a consensus score for each proposal.
  - f. FY24 Budget: Board reviewed several proposed budget versions and discussed priorities. After thorough review, board indicated preferences for one of the versions with suggestions to Blanchard to prioritize funding for Preschool Quality Improvement grants. Blanchard will rework the budget with the board's suggestions and present another version for review.
- VIII. Other: Blanchard reminded board members to keep their scoring sheets for the RFPs. She will collect them at the June board meeting.
- IX. Adjournment: **Motion** by Kacmarynski to adjourn. Next meeting is scheduled for May 17 via Zoom. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.