

CKLECC Board of Director Meeting Minutes

MINUTES

OCTOBER 4, 2021

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

IN PERSON/VIRTUAL MEETING

MEETING CALLED BY	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly CKLECC Board of Directors Meeting
FACILITATOR	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
NOTE TAKER	Julie Witt, CKLECC Coordinator
TIMEKEEPER	
ATTENDEES	In Person: Haley Leonard (Financial Manager); Julie Witt (Council Coordinator); Dennis Pearson (Chair/Kiowa County DHS); Louie Morphew (Morgan Community College); Luci Reimer (Secretary/Limon Memorial Library) Pat McHone (Public Health); Amber (WIC Dietician) Zoom: Lisa Thomas (About F.A.C.E.); Carole Spady (CKLECC Quality Improvement Coach); Jennifer Paintin (Baby Bear Hugs); Kailey Meardon (South East Health Group); Tami Stephenson (South East Health Group) Absent Board Members: Cindy Ferree; Autumn Pelton; Collene Walsh; Amber Ellis

Agenda topics

AUGUST 30TH (SEPTEMBER MEETING) BOARD MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD FOLLOWING A MOTION BY LISA AND A SECOND BY LOUIS.

WIC PROGRAM PRESENTATION

PAT MCHONE, LINCOLN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

DISCUSSION	Pat McHone, WIC Coordinator, from Lincoln County Public Health presented on the WIC Program. WIC provides specialty foods for pregnant women and women with children ages zero to five. Dads and grandparents with the same aged children and foster children on Medicaid also qualify. Lincoln County currently has 130 WIC clients. They are currently doing phone appointments only. Between June and September every individual on WIC received \$35 per month, per person for fruits and vegetables. This will possibly happen again in November. There is a specific food list of items that can be purchased with WIC benefits that meet the needs of eggs, cheese, whole grains, and proteins. WIC provides baby formula, then whole milk, and 2% milk as the child ages. For lactose intolerance soy and tofu can be purchased. WIC clients receive an EBT card that monthly benefits are put on. WIC benefits are accepted at local grocery stores, Wal-Mart, and King Soopers in our area. The store computer systems recognize which items are allowed to be purchased for WIC. Pat recommends that families on both WIC and Food Stamps (SNAP) use WIC benefits first ahead of SNAP benefits. This will save the family money. At the three-month appointment WIC will check height, weight, and iron levels on children. At the six-month appointment, a mid-certification appointment is had, and at a twelve-month appointment a recertification appointment is had. Pat recommends in person appointments at 6 months. WIC sets goals with parents at appointments. For example, more water and less juice. Out of state WIC cases can transfer to Colorado. WIC clients do not have to receive benefits in the county they reside. They can apply through another county.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	

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COORDINATOR REPORT

JULIE WITT

DISCUSSION	Julie provided updates on the CRRSA Funding. The state held a town hall and released information on the strategies for funding. Julie forwarded the slides to council members. Strategies that stood out for CKLECC were child-care sustainability grants, circle grants, work force retention strategies, and \$5,000 bonuses for newly licensed home child-care providers. Julie will be working to get more information on all strategies. It is her understanding grant applications will come out in November for these opportunities. CKLECC was awarded a \$20,000 Buell grant. When submitting the final grant report for the previous grant cycle, Julie included letters of support received for the Fun Tote Program from Baby Bear Hugs and Nurse Family Partnership. Candie prepared new Fun Totes for a preschool classroom at Limon Child Development Center, Baby Bear Hugs, and Cheyenne Wells Library. Limon Child Development Center has requested a set of Spanish speaking totes. Candie finished the second FFN Resource Bag and is in the process of distributing them. Julie sent all licensed programs an updated Colorado Shines Quality Improvement packet for the new fiscal year and program update form. Programs are requested to apply for quality improvement (QI) funds by October 24 th . So far five program update forms have been returned. All five have indicated their program is interested in applying for QI funding. CKLECC will participate in the Limon Trick or Treat Street by distributing books. Julie will be working on advertising for the funding opportunities coming out in
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