# CENTRAL RIVERS AEA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES 1521 Technology Parkway, Cedar Falls, IA 50613 November 7, 2018 – 6:00 PM

#### CALL TO ORDER - WELCOME VISITORS

Board President Dr. Debra Rich called the Central Rivers AEA Board of Directors Meeting to order at 6:02 P.M. Board members present were Bryan Burton, Dennis Craun, Jr., David Giese, Maureen Hanson, Roberta Kraft-Abrahamson, Dr. George North, and Dr. Tony Reid. Absent was Dr. Darshini Jayawardena. Staff members present were Sam Miller, Lori Thomas, Michael Kalvig, Karl Kurt, Dr. Julie Davies, Beth Strike, Dr. Jon McKenzie, Dana Miller, and Bryan Knecht (technology support).

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Bryan Burton made a motion, seconded by Dr. George North to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Maureen Hanson made a motion, seconded by Bryan Burton to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

## PROGRAM REVIEW - SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Dana Miller, School Psychologist shared information with the board regarding the agency's efforts in leading Social Emotional Learning (SEL). The agency is working to provide support to schools and Marshalltown CSD is piloting the program. Central Rivers AEA is playing a big role in the state of Iowa's work with SEL. The board thanked Dana for her work and dedication to supporting schools and students.

#### APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICIES

David Giese made a motion, seconded by Roberta Kraft-Abrahamson to approve the second reading and recommended updates to board policies 405.1, 405.3, and 405.4. Motion carried unanimously. Sam Miller thanked Dr. Debra Rich and Karl Kurt for their work on these policy updates.

## APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT

Dr. George North made a motion, seconded by Bryan Burton to approve an investment of \$831,737.07 at a six-month investment term of 2.61% APR. Motion carried unanimously.

## **CULTURE AUDIT**

Roberta Kraft-Abrahamson made a motion, seconded by David Giese to approve a Culture Audit for the agency. Motion carried unanimously.

## INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

Maureen Hanson made a motion, seconded by Bryan Burton to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Colleen Anderson for Assessment support. Motion carried unanimously.

#### REPORTS TO/FROM BOARD

## Karl Kurt's Report

Mr. Kurt shared information on Quantum Workplace, a staff recognition website.

## Dr. Julie Davies' Report

Dr. Davies reported on the Deeper Learning training that is being offered on November 12, 2018. The board requested copies of the training book, Deep Learning: Engage the World Change the World.

## Beth Strike's Report

Mrs. Strike shared photos of the new furniture in the Marshalltown office. Beth thanked Kim Swartz, Marshalltown Site Superintendent for her help. Sam Miller thanked Beth for her work in selecting and ordering the furniture.

## Sam Miller's Report

Mr. Miller reported on the Hanover Survey, which should be available in February 2019. Sam shared updates on the search for a new AEA Director and on the Iowa Leadership Academy. He also reminded the board about the Future Ready Iowa Summit that will be held at the agency on November 13, 2018. He invited all to attend and thanked the board for having the vision to purchase the Cedar Falls building in order to hold these types of large events that benefit students and their communities.

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#### **ADJOURN**

Dr. Debra Rich declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m. on a motion by Roberta Kraft-Abrahamson and seconded by Bryan Burton. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Lori Thomas, Central Rivers AEA Board Secretary

Dr. Debra Rich, Central Rivers AEA Board President