



CENTRAL RIVERS AREA EDUCATION AGENCY

Central Rivers AEA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 3, 2021

Call Board Meeting to Order – Welcome Visitors

Board President Dr. Debra Rich called the Central Rivers AEA Board of Directors Meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. Those in attendance via Zoom were Bryan Burton, Dennis Craun, Kathy Enslin, Maureen Hanson, and Dr. Mary Stevens. Absent were Dr. Darshini Jayawardena, Roberta Kraft-Abrahamson, and Dr. Tony Reid. Also present were Sam Miller, Michael Kalvig, Karl Kurt, Lori Thomas, Beth Strike, Amy Knupp, and Jen Sigrist. Visitors included Nicole Lovik-Blaser.

Approval of Agenda

Maureen Hanson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Dr. Mary Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Bryan Burton made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Kathy Enslin. Motion carried unanimously.

Pleasant Hill Pool Facility Improvement Request

Maureen Hanson made a motion to approve improvements to the Pleasant Hill Pool facility in the amount of \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars), seconded by Kathy Enslin. Dr. Mary Stevens did not participate in the discussion and recused herself from the vote on the motion. Motion carried.

District Transportation Routes

Dr. Mary Stevens made a motion to approve the districts' transportation routes for 2021-22, seconded by Bryan Burton. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports to/from Board:

Beth Strike, Director of Creative Services/Communications

Beth shared that the agency will soon need to consider the purchase of new printers.

Michael Kalvig, Chief Financial Officer

Michael shared that agency auditors are here this week.

Jen Sigrist, Executive Director of Educational Services

Jen gave a Literacy Team update and reported that the team is focusing on at-risk students.



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Amy Knupp, Executive Director of Special Education

Amy shared that she recently attended a conference on social-emotional resources for students and is excited to work further with Jen Sigrist on providing this support to districts.

Karl Kurt, Assistant Chief Administrator/Director of HR

Karl gave a brief update on the equity audit and on the work of the staff support allies.

Sam Miller, Chief Administrator

Sam reminded the board of the upcoming public hearing and meeting on November 9, 2021, regarding the sale of agency property and December's board meeting on December 8, 2021.

Sam took this opportunity to recognize Roberta Kraft-Abrahamson on her retirement from the board. He recently met with Roberta and shared how impressed he is with her 44 years of dedicated service to the agency, both as an employee and board member. Board Secretary Lori Thomas relayed a message from Roberta: Roberta extended her best wishes to everyone as the agency moves forward as an educational leader in the state. She expressed the great honor she feels to have served with so many talented and dedicated individuals and she will miss everyone.

Dr. Debra Rich, Board President

Deb reported that she will not be able to attend the IASB conference later this month and will try to attend the IA AEA Executive Board Meeting virtually, if possible.

Adjourn

Board President Dr. Debra Rich declared the meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m. on a motion by Kathy Enslin and seconded by Bryan Burton. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori A. Thomas

Lori Thomas, Central Rivers AEA Board Secretary

Maureen Hanson

Maureen Hanson, Central Rivers AEA Board Vice-President