



Advisory Board Meeting Summary

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Location: University of Northern Iowa

Board Members Present

Bev Burns Keystone AEA	X	Waiting for Appointment		Waiting for Appointment	
Sue Burrack Waldorf University		Waiting for Appointment		Jeanette Moore-Loggins Alliant Energy	X
Waiting for Appointment		Waiting for Appointment		Waiting for Appointment	
Kendra Crooks Extension and Outreach	X	Waiting for Appointment		Waiting for Appointment	
Waiting for Appointment		Waiting for Appointment		Waiting for Appointment	

X – Present

Others in Attendance: Jeff Beneke (Northeast Iowa Regional STEM Hub), Kari Britain (Iowa STEM Council), Doreen Hayek (University of Northern Iowa), Jeff Jacobs (TDS Automation), Lisa Chizek (Iowa State University), Larry Escalada (University of Northern Iowa), Heather Fransen (RSM, LLP), and Anderson Sainci (City of Dubuque)

Meeting Summary

The board meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.

Chair/Vice-Chair Report

No report.

Budget/Expenditures

Jeff presented the fiscal year 2024 year-end financial statement for the Northeast Iowa STEM Region.

Scale-Up Programs

Jeff noted, training sessions for the 2024-25 Scale-Up programs have been occurring the last few weeks. Board members are invited to attend the remaining sessions.

The Iowa STEM Council is seeking applications from organizations interested in scaling a PreK through 12 programs during the 2025-2026 academic year. The application opened August 5 and will close September 10. There will be an informational webinar on August 8 for those interested in applying.

STEM Festivals

Finalizing an agreement between UNI and Wartburg College for a STEM festival at Wartburg College. The festival is being planned for Tuesday, October 29 from 4PM to 7PM at the “W” at Wartburg College.

Exploring venues in Waukon for a possible STEM festival in the Spring.

Year-End Report – Northeast STEM Region

Beneke provided a copy of the Northeast Iowa STEM Hub’s FY2024 year-end report to Board members.

Board Appointments

Jeff notified the board members whose terms end on June 30, 2024. Thank you to those that have reapplied to serve on the board.

Review Committees

Board members interested in serving on a review committee(s) for the Scale-Up Program, IOWA STEM Teacher Award, STEM BEST, etc. should contact Jeff.

Future Meeting Dates

The next meeting will be held virtually on October 10. The remaining meeting dates will be decided upon during a future meeting.

Iowa STEM Council Updates

STEM Day at the State Fair will be Sunday, August 18.

Other Updates

STEM Teacher Award nominations will open this Fall.

Important Dates

Event/Activity	Date	Time	Location
Scale-Up Program Provider Application opened	August 5	NA	Virtual

STEM Day at the Iowa State Fair	August 18	All Day	Des Moines
Scale-Up Program Provider Application closes	September 10	4:59 PM	NA
Northeast Regional STEM Advisory Board meeting	October 10	10:00 AM	Virtual

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m. Following the meeting, the Board joined the All About Balance training already in progress.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 10.