

Advisory Board Meeting Summary

Monday, August 7, 2017

10:00AM to 11:30AM

Location:

Room 30, Business and Community Services
University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls

Board Members Present

Jane Bradley , Hawkeye Community College	X	Erin Dragotto , National Mississippi River Museum		Bill Holland , JB Holland Construction	
Sue Burrack , Upper Iowa University	X	Scott Fortune , Upper Iowa Tool & Die and <i>Innovations</i>		Mason Kuhn , University of Northern Iowa	
Lisa Chizek , North Tama County Community School District	X	Doreen Hayek , University of Northern Iowa	X	Jason Martin-Hiner , Keystone AEA	X
Kelly Cooper , Dubuque Area Labor - Management Council (<i>Vice-Chair</i>)	X	Chad Heinzl , University of Northern Iowa (<i>Chair</i>)		Kim Miller , TDS Automation	X
Kendra Crooks , Extension and Outreach		Ellen Heuer , Bay Valley Foods	X	Norma Thiese , Keystone AEA	X

X – Present P-Phone

Others in Attendance: Jeff Beneke and Roberta Roberts (Northeast Iowa Regional STEM Hub) and Dr. Jeff Weld (Iowa Governor's STEM Advisory Council)

Meeting Summary:

Kelly Cooper called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
Jeff Beneke welcomed everyone.

Chair/Co-Chair Report:

Nothing to report.

STEM in Iowa

Dr. Jeff Weld spoke on PD Palooza, Future Ready Iowa, Computer Science and pre-apprenticeships. He stated that STEM has influenced Iowa and is making a big difference.

2016-2017 YTD Financial Report

As of June 30, 2017, year-to-date expenditures for the Northeast STEM Hub are approximately \$644,000 (approximately 96% of the overall budget). There are still a couple of invoices still outstanding pertaining to STEM festivals, but the Northeast STEM Hub hopes to close the 2016-2017 Year-End financials in August.

2017-2018 Budget

Beneke presented the 2017-2018 budget for the Northeast Iowa Regional STEM Hub. The Northeast STEM Region received \$500,995.50 to be used for scale-up programming and STEM festivals and an additional \$5,000 in private funds to be directed toward scale-up programs. The Hub received \$70,710 from the state of Iowa for Hub operations and the University of Northern Iowa has provided an additional \$96,030.

2017-2018 STEM Scale-Up Programs

Educator training for 2017-18 scale-up awardees has started and is occurring throughout the region. Board members are welcome to attend any or part of any of the trainings. Contact Jeff if you are interested.

One Ramps and Pathways award has been returned since our last meeting. Funds from the award will be directed to another program.

Future Meeting Dates and Times

Beneke presented possible meeting dates for discussion. The Board will continue to meet every other month in locations throughout the region. All meetings will be held between the timeframe of 12:00 to 3:30 PM pending tours, etc. FY2018 meeting dates include;

- October 17 Bay Valley Foods, New Hampton (Please note this changed to October 19)
- December 7 Manchester
- January 25 Conference Call
- March 29 Waterloo
- May 10 Oelwein

Appointment of 2017-18 Board Chair and Vice Chair

Beneke emailed the entire Board requesting nominations for Chair and Vice Chair. Beneke noted Scott Fortune and Jane Bradley had both expressed interest in serving as either Chair or Vice Chair. After discussion, Ellen Heuer made a motion to appoint Jane Bradley as Chair and Scott Fortune as Vice Chair for the 2017-18 Northeast Iowa STEM Regional Advisory Board. Seconded by Kelly Cooper. Motion Carried.

2017-2018 STEM Festivals

The dates for the STEM festivals have been set.

STEM BEST RFP

Deadline to submit a STEM BEST proposal is September 15. If anyone is interested in serving on the evaluation team, please contact Jeff Beneke.

Year-End Progress Report

Beneke provided a copy of the Year-End Progress Report for the Northeast STEM Region.

I.O.W.A. STEM Teacher Award Sponsored by Kemin Industries

The Governor will announce the opening of nominations for the I.O.W.A. STEM Teacher Award at the State Fair on August 20. If anyone is interested in serving on the review committee, please contact Jeff.

Announcement(s)

None.

Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
Northeast Iowa Family STEM Festival - Oelwein	October 12, 2017	3:30pm to 7pm	Oelwein
STEM BEST RFP	September 15, 2017		Applications Due
I.O.W.A. STEM Teacher Award	October 6, 2017		Nominations Due
NE Advisory Board meeting	October 19, 2017		New Hampton
Cedar Valley Family STEM Festival	November 7, 2017	4pm to 7:30pm	Waterloo
NE Advisory Board meeting	December 7, 2017		Manchester
NE Advisory Board meeting	January 25, 2018		Conference Call
NE Advisory Board meeting	March 29, 2018		Waterloo
Northeast Iowa Family STEM Festival - Calmar	April 12, 2018	4pm to 7:30pm	NICC, Calmar
Dubuque Area Family STEM Festival	April 21, 2018	10am to 2pm	Clarke University, Dubuque
NE Advisory Board meeting	May 10, 2018		Oelwein

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Following the meeting the board members visited the UNI Planetarium for a presentation on the August 21 Solar Eclipse. Dr. Siobahn Morgan, Department Head & Professor, Earth & Environmental Sciences provided the presentation.