



Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency

Wednesday, April 19, 2017 - 5:00 P.M.

Battle Creek Ida Grove CSD, 900 John Montgomery Drive
Ida Grove, Iowa

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll call
3. Review and Approve Agenda
4. Approve Minutes of March 20, 2017 Regular Board Meeting
5. Approve Monthly Bills and Review Cash Flow Report
6. Personnel Matters
 - A. Retirements/Resignations
 - B. New Hires
 - C. Other
7. Approve Third Reading of Board Policy Series 400
8. Approve Second Reading of Board Policy Series 500
9. Approve Second Reading of Board Policy Series 600
10. Approve First Reading of Board Policy Series 700
11. Approve First Reading of Board Policy Series 800
12. Chief Administrator's Report
13. Upcoming Dates
14. Set Date, Time for Next Regular Board Meeting
15. Other
16. Adjournment



BOARD PREVIEW

for the Board Meeting - April 19, 2017

MISSION OF PRAIRIE LAKES AEA

The mission of Prairie Lakes AEA is to ensure success for all learners through collaborative partnerships.

In an effort to promote better understanding and communication of Board actions, prior to each Prairie Lakes AEA Board meeting this **BOARD PREVIEW** with an agenda and summary of the agenda is sent to all Prairie Lakes staff via email. It includes basic information on the Agenda Items and Chief Administrator's recommendations to the Board. All are encouraged to attend the Board meetings to share their ideas and to see - live - what the discussion and actions of the Board are. Board meetings are held in the Dean Saunders Board Room at the Prairie Lakes AEA Office in Pocahontas at 4 PM unless otherwise noted on the agenda. This preview does not have any information related to discipline, confidential personnel matters, or negotiations.

Regular Board Meeting • 5:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Review and Approve Agenda - Action Item**
4. **Approve Minutes of March 20, 2017 Regular Board Meeting - Action Item**
5. **Approve Monthly Bills - Action Item**
6. **Personnel Matters**

A. Retirements/Resignations

1. Administration - Action Item

- a. Lesa Nauss, Regional Administrator, Estherville Office, resignation effective June 30, 2017.

Administrator's Recommendation - *It is recommended that the resignation be approved as presented.*

2. Licensed - Action Item

- a. Meredith Allen, Instructional Technology Consultant, Spencer Office, resignation effective April 10, 2017. (may replace)
- b. Deborah Boldt, Special Education Consultant, Jefferson Office, resignation effective at the end of the 2016-2017 contract year. (replacing)

Administrator's Recommendation - *It is recommended that the resignation be approved as presented.*

3. Classified – Informational Item

- a. Gary Richard, Educational Para Professional, Forest Ridge Shelter, resignation effective May 31, 2017. (waiting on student count for next year before replacing)

B. New Hires

1. Administrators – Action Item

- a. Chris Wells, Regional Administrator, Estherville/Algona offices, 230 day contract, \$98,000, start July 1, 2017.
- b. Pamela Stangeland, Regional Administrator, Fort Dodge office, 230 day contract, \$105,000, start July 1, 2017.
- c. Kevin Lein, Regional Administrator, Jefferson office, 230 day contract, \$105,000, start July 1, 2017.

Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the 2017-2018 administrative contracts be approved as presented.

2. Licensed – Action Item

- a. Allyson Leners, Speech Language Pathologist, Fort Dodge office, 193 days, MA30/8, \$57,878, 2017-2018 contract year.
- b. Marian Riner, School Social Worker, Algona office, 193 days, MA/15, \$62,453, 2017-2018 contract year.
- c. Beth Borchardt, School Social Worker, Algona office, 193 days, MA/14, \$61,478, 2017-2018 contract year.

Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the 2017-2018 licensed contracts be approved as presented.

C. Other – None at this time

7. Approve Third Reading of Board Policy 400 Series – Staff Personnel – Action Item

The third reading of policy changes for Board Policy 400 Series. Changes included in the preview materials.

Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the third reading of the Board Policy 400 Series be approved.

8. Approve Second Reading of Board Policy 500 Series – Student Personnel – Action Item

The second reading of policy changes for Board Policy 500 Series. Changes included in the preview materials.

Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the second reading of the Board Policy 500 Series be approved.

9. Approve Second Reading of Board Policy 600 Series – Educational Program – Action Item

The second reading of policy changes for Board Policy 600 Series. Changes included in the preview materials.

Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the second reading of the Board Policy 600 Series be approved.

10. **Approve First Reading of Board Policy 700 Series - Auxiliary Services - Action Item**

The first reading of policy changes for Board Policy 700 Series. Changes included in the preview materials.

Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the first reading of the Board Policy 700 Series be approved.

11. **Approve First Reading of Board Policy 800 Series - Business Procedures - Action Item**

The first reading of policy changes for Board Policy 800 Series. Changes included in the preview materials.

Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the first reading of the Board Policy 800 Series be approved.

12. **Chief Administrator's Report - Information Item**

A. Recognition of Excellence:

- Interview team of Kim Johnson, Jaymie Randel, Roni Engeldinger, Janie Eischen, Lynn Vaught, Mike Schmidt, Glenda Harms, Julie Saul, Jessica Hawkins and Tammy McKimney helped with the Regional Administrator interviews. So appreciative of their time and thoughtful reflection on all seven candidates!
- Anyone you may have heard of to send a positive note to this month?

B. Board Member Development:

- Brent Siegrist March Report
- Would Rick, Pat or Sue like to talk about the IASB Collective Bargaining workshop that we (including Michelle and I) attended on Thursday, April 13? Highlights?
- The Chief Administrator Evaluation is due to take place in May. Michelle will send out the document this week to be returned to her by May 1 so she can compile and provide to Rick, as president. He and Jeff will go over the evaluation prior to the May 15 meeting and then it will be discussed at the meeting.

C. Advocacy:

- The TLC support money, approximately \$1 million dollars has been removed from the budget due to the shortfall in revenues. The two main effects of this loss to the AEA system are:
 - PLAEA loses about \$40,000 in support for our coaching position.
 - TLC trainings will almost double in cost, from approximately \$300 to \$600 per person, as this money was being used to lower the cost to districts.
- The system is going to try to keep the \$3.75 million that was cut last year and may not discuss this TLC cut too loudly. At the end of the session we will be cut like every other state Agency and we need to try to minimize the impact on the AEAs.

13. **Upcoming Dates - Informational Item**

- May 2 Superintendent Meeting is Innovation Showcase; 12-3 in Pocahontas

14. **Set Date and time for Next Board Meeting - Information Item**

The May board meeting is scheduled for **Monday, May 15, 2017 - 4:00 p.m. Prairie Lakes AEA, 500 NE 6th Street, Pocahontas, Iowa.**

15. **Other**

16. **Adjournment**