



**Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency**

**Monday, January 16, 2017 - 4:00 P.M.**

**Via Telephone Conference Call**

Lobby Conference Room

1235 5th Ave South

Fort Dodge, IA

**Regular Monthly Board Meeting**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll call
3. Review and Approve Agenda
4. Approve Minutes of December 19, 2016 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 300 Series
8. Chief Administrator's Report
9. Upcoming Dates
10. Set Date, Time for Next Regular Board Meeting
11. Other
12. Adjournment
13. Negotiation Strategy Session - IA Code 20.17(3)



# ***BOARD PREVIEW***

for the Board Meeting - January 16, 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 • 4:00 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Review and Approve Agenda - Action Item**
4. **Approve Minutes of December 19, 2016 Regular Board Meeting - Action Item**
5. **Approve Monthly Bills - Action Item**
  - A. **Review Monthly Cash Flow Report - Information Item**
6. **Personnel Matters**
  - A. **Retirements/Resignations**
    1. **Licensed - Action Item**
      - a. Carrie Calhoon, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher/Consultant, Spencer Office, resignation effective January 20, 2017.
      - b. Kennan Highly, Social Worker (Behavior Strategist-Behavior Programming Coordinator), Lakes Partnership School, resignation effective May 24, 2017 which represents the end of the 2016-2017 contract year.

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

**B. New Hires - None at this time**

**C. Other - None at this time**

7. **Approve Third Reading of Board Policy 300 Series – Administration – Action Item**

The third reading of policy changes for Board Policy 300 Series. Changes included in the preview materials.

*Administrator's Recommendation - It is recommended that the third reading of the Board Policy 300 Series be approved.*

8. **Chief Administrator's Report – Information Item**

**A. Recognition of Excellence:**

- Samantha Cagle and Sharon Richardson for their work with Green County CSD. "I just wanted to let you know, how much I appreciate Samantha Cagle's quick response to our need for help. We have a student who's programming is changing significantly. Sharon Richardson has been doing a great job to get me ready for his new services, as well. Samantha was summoned for assistance and her turn around was within a couple of days. You do not realize, how much I appreciate that. I feel I am more prepared and ready to start his new programming!!"
- Anyone you may have heard of to send a positive note to this month?

**B. Board Member Development:**

- Brent Siegrist December Report
- AEA Fund Balances – The Flaw of the June 30<sup>th</sup> [Snapshot](#)

**C. Advocacy: Governor's Budget Included:**

- 2% Supplemental State Aid for the next two years.
- A state aid reduction of \$15 million for AEA's. This amount is \$3.75 million below the \$18.75 million reduction made in FY 2017. The Governor recommends maintaining the \$15 million reduction for FY 2019.
- Elimination of the \$1 million appropriation to the area education agencies to help school districts implement Iowa content standards.

9. **Upcoming Dates – Informational Item**

- IASB Day on the Hill Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Embassy Suites & the Iowa State Capitol, Des Moines

10. **Set Date and time for Next Board Meeting – Information Item**

The February board meeting is scheduled for **Monday, February 20, 2017 – 4:00 p.m. Prairie Lakes AEA, 500 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Pocahontas, Iowa.**

11. **Other**

12. **Adjournment**

13. **Negotiation Strategy Session – IA Code 20.17(3)**