

**Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 16, 2016 – 5:00 p.m.
West Des Moines, Iowa**

President Rick Morain called the regular board meeting of the Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency Board of Directors to order at 5:15 p.m. The following board members were present: Pat Brown, Sue Brown, Dawn Crane, and Todd Lundgren. Absent: Gary Astor and Jeremy Riesenber.

On a motion by Sue Brown, seconded by Pat Brown, board approval was given to the agenda as presented by President Rick Morain.

On a motion by Pat Brown, seconded by Sue Brown, board approval was given to the minutes of the October 17, 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Todd Lundgren, seconded by Pat Brown, board approval was given to the bills as presented by Michelle Dowd. Motion carried unanimously. The cash flow report was reviewed by Michelle Dowd.

The board was informed of the following new hire in the classified group: Rachael Votrobeck, Educational Paraprofessional, Lakes Partnership School, start date October 24, 2016, Grade B/Step 1, \$14.04 per hour.

On a motion by Dawn Crane, seconded by Todd Lundgren, the board approved the third reading of Board Policy 100 Series. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Sue Brown, seconded by Pat Brown, the board approved the second reading of Board Policy 200 Series. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Todd Lundgren, seconded by Pat Brown, the board approved the first reading of Board Policy 300 Series. Motion carried unanimously.

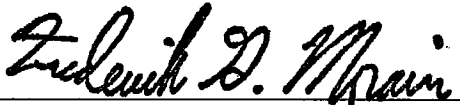
On a motion by Sue Brown, seconded by Pat Brown, the board approved the Palo Alto County Gaming Development Corporation Full Grant Application. Dawn Higgins, Physical Therapist with Prairie Lakes AEA, joined the board meeting to present the grant application to the Board. This grant will support the purchase of OT/PT equipment for the entire department to utilize. If the maximum amount of the grant request is approved by Palo Alto, the agency's commitment will equal \$4,106.75. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Administrator's Report: (Presented by President Morain)

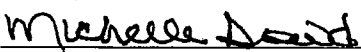
- Recognition of Excellence: David Cole - "What I appreciate about Dave the most is his willingness do what it takes to make sure our students and our staff get the services they need. He places students first and communicates with staff, our special education teachers appreciate the work Dave does to make sure they are informed about the IEP process." (principal); Jen Prentice - "In 27 years of working with middle school level students I have never felt this supported when it comes to working with level three students. The greatest compliment I can give Jen is that she is not scared to get her hands dirty." (principal)
- Board Member Development: Brent Siegrist October report.
- Advocacy: Chief Herzberg has a meeting scheduled with Governor Branstad and Linda Fandel on Friday, December 16 from 1:00-1:30 p.m. The agenda, and who will attend the meeting from our Board, will be confirmed over the next couple of weeks.

The December board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 19, 2016 - 4:00 p.m. Location to be determined.

There being no further business, on a motion by Sue Brown, seconded by Dawn Crane, the Board adjourned at 5:55 p.m.



Board President



Board Secretary