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Board of Directors Organizational Meeting
Via Webex
February 8, 2022

MINUTES

- 1) Call to Order
 - i) Meeting was called to order by Chairman Hoeft at 5:03 p.m. Members present: Pat Rendle, Rae Villebrun, Barb Kalmi, Bill Hoeft, Malissa Bahr, Mary Kay Jacobson, Tracy Hutchinson, Jon Payne, Terri Nystrom, Bambi Lange and Pam Thompson. Others present: Jackie Skelly, Jan Reindl, Scott Patrow, Jennifer Drotts and Kris Balvin.
- 2) M/S/P – Kalmi, Thompson to approve agenda as amended to change IV.h to “designate bank for IASC”. Voting yes: all members
- 3) M/S/P – Lange, Kalmi to approve consent agenda. Voting yes: all members
 - a) Approved minutes of Board of Directors meeting on January 12, 2022
 - b) Approved minutes of Administrative Committee meeting on January 18, 2022
- 4) M/S/P – Hoeft, Bahr to approve January 2022 Financial Report. Voting yes: all members
- 5) IASC Presentation by Jennifer Drotts
- 6) M/S/P – Hoeft, Kalmi to approve Third Party Billing Coordinator Job Description. Voting yes: all members
- 7) M/S/P – Bahr, Kalmi to give permission to post third party billing coordinator position. Voting yes: all members
- 8) M/S/P – Lange, Thompson to approve business manager job description. Voting yes: all members
- 9) M/S/P – Bahr, Thompson to give permission to post business manager position. Voting yes: all members
- 10) M/S/T – Kalmi, Hoeft to give permission to post executive director position. Motion was tabled until later in the meeting.
- 11) M/S/P – Hoeft, Hutchinson to continue with Bremer Bank as one of IASC’s banks. Voting yes: all members
- 12) Update on District Board Chairs and Superintendent Meeting
 - a) Meeting was with GR, GW and DR
 - b) Purpose: to share where districts are at with key positions, to explore what the district could share
 - c) Those board chairs will be bringing back information to their full boards
 - d) There is interest in continuing the discussion
 - e) Next steps: superintendents will meet; a date may be set for all IASC boards to meet together to have this discussion
 - f) However, the timing doesn’t feel right for moving forward
- 13) Update on Superintendents meetings
 - a) They have had two special meetings
 - b) 1st meeting: they talked about some possible scenarios
 - c) 2nd meeting: there weren’t as many possibilities brought forward. The superintendents agreed and recommend that the executive director position be posted.
 - d) More conversation needs to happen
- 14) Jennifer Drotts presented options for payment of salaries of both the executive director and business manager
- 15) M/S/P Hoeft, Kalmi to give permission to post executive director position. Voting yes: all members
- 16) Jan Reindl – Invest Early Report

- a) IE is starting second year of HUB – program, funded by a grant from the Northland Foundation, that connects families with services
- b) IE continues to follow CDC guidelines. They have had to close classes due to lack of staffing.
- c) IE received the Child Stabilization Grant, \$75,000 with the requirement to spend at least 70% on increasing wages, benefits, or giving stipends
- d) Jan shared that she will be retiring at the end of this school year.

17) Jackie Skelly – SPED

- a) It's the time of year to be looking at posting jobs for next year and developing Plans A, B and C if the positions can't be filled
- b) 50% of staff trainings have taken place

18) Scott Patrow – Career Pathways

- a) It has been a busy month
- b) He presented info about Pathways at the last Floodwood Board meeting
- c) They have finalized the manufacturing internships for GR, NK and GW. All students have been placed in an internship position
- d) He has visited NK to talk to students about Career Pathways
- e) He is looking at some new grants that would be a good match for the program
- f) Spotlight articles are being published in area newspapers every other week.
- g) Claire has been helping him wrap up the IRRRB grant

19) Pat Rendle – AC Board Chair

- a) Director reports could be scheduled for every other month or so rather than having to report every month
- b) Superintendents meet every Wednesday
- c) Thanks to the BOD for all the support in good faith this year -Strategic Plan and actions coming out of that plan
- d) Pat meets with Blandin next week to share with them the direction IASC is taking moving forward

20) M/S/P – Kalmi, Johnson to adjourn. Voting yes: all members.

21) Meeting was adjourned at 6:12 pm