

# CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIALS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 5, 2020

JOHNSON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BULDING AND CONFERENCE CALL

CEO Board Members Present: Jon Bell, Pat Heiden, Bob Yoder, Bruce Adams, Joe Oswald (by teleconference), Gary Bierschenk

CEO Board Members Absent: Ben Rogers

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bob Yoder at 2:00 pm. The CEO board met quorum.

Bob Yoder asked everyone present to introduce themselves.

Bob Yoder asked for a motion to approve the agenda. M/S/C, Pat Heiden, Jon Bell, agenda approved.

Bob Yoder asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. M/S/C, Bruce Adams, Jon Bell, agenda approved.

Bob Yoder asked if there was any correspondence to share. We received information on the upcoming WIOA Title II Application training webinar.

In order for the RWDB board to be in compliance, each member must complete a new application. We have received 8 out of 21 applications to date. We have asked RWDB members to return their applications by March 18. We will then review these forms at our March 19 CEO Board Meeting. We will also look at the criteria requirements to make sure our current members are still eligible to remain on the board.

The RWDB Board has two open seats. The WIOA Core Partners met and discussed possible nominations to fill those positions. Their ideas were shared with the CEO Board. Bob Yoder asked for a motion to accept the proposed candidates. M/S/C, Bruce Adams, Pat Heiden, motion approved. The partners will reach out to them to see if they are interested in completing an application for our board.

We then discussed WIOA Compliance and the steps that must be completed.

We received a resume from Heather Garcia to provide board support. The Board is impressed with her skills and is very interested in talking with her. She will be invited to attend our next meeting on March 19.

We also discussed assigning a fiscal agent for our region. Travis Weipert, Johnson County Auditor, and Chris Edwards, Accounting Deputy, joined our meeting. They are interested in being the fiscal agent for our region but have some concerns. They are currently the fiscal agent for the Mental Health Region. We will research their concerns and report back to them.

We have contacted Iowa Workforce Development to see if we need to submit a letter asking

them to extend the service provider contracts for Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth Programs until December 31, 2020. IWD is working on some additional guidance regarding this issue so we will wait for their direction.

We then discussed realignment. Jon Bell stated that Cedar County had been approached by another region to join them but their Board of Supervisors voted to remain in Region 10. We have been approached by Region 6 (Hardin, Marshall, Tama and Poweshiek counties) to merge as one region. The board is interested in merging with Region 6; however, we will need 100% agreement for that to happen. Bob Yoder asked for a motion to proceed with the merger of Regions 6 & 10 by each board member putting it on their county's board agenda and voting on the merger. M/S/C, Gary Bierschenk, Jon Bell, motion approved.

Bob Yoder asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. M/S/C, Pat Heiden, Bruce Adams, motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

**Upcoming Meeting:**

Thursday, March 19, 2020; 2-3 pm; Johnson County Administration Building, 913 S. Dubuque St, Iowa City and/or conference call