

REGION 5 CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIALS (CEO'S)

Conference Call Minutes

Friday, September 18, 2015

8:00 a.m.

Iowa Workforce Development

Three Triton Circle

Fort Dodge IA 50501

CEO's in attendance: Rick Rasmussen Clark Fletcher
 Doug Bailey-Vice Chair Clarence Siepker
 Mike Cooper Carl Mattes-Chair

CEO's absent: None

Guest in attendance: Sara Messerly, Region 5 Operations Manager/WIOA Director

Chairperson Carl Mattes called the meeting of the Region 5 CEO to order on September 18, 2015 at 8:01 a.m. on the conference call originating from the Iowa Workforce Development office, Three Triton Circle, Fort Dodge, Iowa. The number called was 866-685-1580, conference code 6364791096. Roll call and minutes were recorded by Sara Messerly due to the absence of Cynthia Meek, Board Support staff.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Doug Bailey and seconded by Mike Cooper to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously by the CEO's.

Discussion and Approval of Candidates to fill RWIB Vacancies

The first candidate resume reviewed was for Logan Welch for the City Elected Official Board vacancy. Bailey stated that he was a good solid candidate, is on the City Council in Webster City, is active in the community, and sits on other Boards in the region. He also works in the renewable energy field in a management position. Bailey stated he stressed the importance of attending the RWIB meetings to Welch if appointed. Welch confirmed that he would attend the meetings, and was looking forward to being on this Board if appointed, and working on the workforce needs of this area.

Bailey made a motion to approve Welch as the candidate to fill the City Elected Official vacancy. The motion was seconded by Rick Rasmussen. Motion carried unanimously by the CEO's.

Two candidate resumes were reviewed for the Business vacancy on the Board. They were for Bret Davis and Jill Coleman. Davis is co-owner of Sisters Home Style entrees in Humboldt with his wife. The business is fairly new recently won a Governor's award. Davis agreed to attend the meetings if appointed.

Coleman owns her own counseling agency, with at least 3 locations in the region. She specializes in youth counseling, and also works with the schools. Her knowledge in youth matters would be helpful for the RWIB, especially with the emphasis on youth services through WIOA. Mattes had secured both resumes for the candidates. Although he has not met Coleman personally, he states that she was highly recommended to him. He has talked to her on the phone, and she has also agreed to attend the meetings if appointed. Bailey knows her from other meetings and felt she would be an excellent candidate to have on the Board. Mattes stated that she has more involvement in the region. Rasmussen stated that if she was appointed, the Board would remain gender balanced also.

Rasmussen made a motion to approve Coleman as the candidate to fill the business vacancy on the RWIB Board. Cooper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by the CEO's.

The CEO's agreed that if the appointees are approved by the Governor's office, they will be appointed to the Board and begin serving their terms without a further CEO vote needed.

Mattes stated he would come to Fort Dodge after this meeting to sign the letter on behalf of the CEO's to submit with the resumes requesting the approval of these candidates.

Messerly stated that after the letter is signed by Mattes, she will submit the letter, Appointment Resumes, updated Matrix of the Region 5 RWIB, the letter previously signed by the CEO and RWIB Chairs to retain the current (Alternative) board structure, and the supporting minutes to Director Townsend's office as instructed. From there it will be submitted to the Governor's office for review. Therefore, all requirements relating to the filling of the Board vacancies and designating the current Board structure by the September 30th, 2015 deadline will be met.

Messerly thanked the CEO's for their diligence in finding these qualified candidates for the vacancies, and for their extra attendance at additional meetings being held due to the WIOA transition requirements.

Adjournment

Motion for adjournment made by Rasmussen and seconded by Cooper. Motioned carried unanimously.

The next regular scheduled RWIB/CEO meeting will be Monday Sept 28, 2015 at 4:00 PM, at the IowaWORKS Fort Dodge office.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Messerly

