Pending Approval Region 5 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (RWDB)

CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIALS (CEOs)

Realignment Discussion Thursday, June 13, 2019 3:00 p.m. **IowaWORKS** Three Triton Circle Fort Dodge, IA 50501

CEO's in attendance: Bailey, Doug Cooper, Mike

Loney, Sandy

Siepker, Clarence

CEO's absent:

Rasmussen, Rick

Thode, Bob

RWDB in attendance:

DeWall, Daniel

Kinney, Dan

Kolbeck, Lori

Salvatore, Tom

Webb, Nancy

RWDB in attendance via phone:

Miller, Faith

RWDB absent:

Bangert, Kyle Harrison, Diane Morgan, Shawn Perrin, Jon

Dreyer, Lynn Kruckenberg, Renae McBain, Larry O'Brion, Alison

Grau, Tom O'Hern, Cheryl

Underberg, Abby

Varangkounh, Molly

Guests in attendance:

Hammersland, Michelle

Vorrie, Melissa

I. **Call the Meeting to Order**

CEO Chairperson Doug Bailey called the CEO Conference Call to order on June 13, 2019 @ 3:00 p.m. in the IowaWORKS office, Three Triton Circle, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

- II. Roll Call for CEO: CEOs had quorum incase a vote was needed. As this was an informal discussion, RWDB was not required to have quorum.
- III. **Information Discussion of Realignment of Workforce Boards** – The state board has approved the realignment to 6 regions. Some regions are appealing this decision on the basis that the state board did not follow regulations. Question for region 5 board is whether or not we want to join in the appeal. At this point, even if the decision is appealed, the realignment will not be halted and would still go into effect within the next year.

Points of consideration:

- If the appeal ends up in court, there would be cost associated. How would that be covered?
- Current size of regions is not ideal to keep businesses engaged.
- The state did compromise from original proposal. Is the current alignment the best we can get?
- Afraid the new alignment is more focused on the bottom line than the mission of serving individuals.
- There is no available information at this point on how the new board should be set up.
- Region 5 board is full with great representation and partnerships serving our communities.
- We could say yes to participating in the appeal and then when more information comes out, change that decision if desired.
- Youth program will possibly be affected the most.

Believe that Iowa Appeal Letter (see handout) is not the final letter. Anticipated that the final letter will come out in the next couple of days. Decision was made to wait to make a decision until the final letter is received.

Then the CEOs will have a conference call to decide on next steps. The decision to appeal has to be made within 30 days from May 30^{th} .

IV. Adjournment -

a. CEO – Sandy Loney made the motion to approve, Seconded by Clarence Siepker. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.