

**REAP CEP Board Minutes
June 4, 2010 Proposal Review Committee Meeting**

Board Members in attendance:

Vern Fish, Iowa Association of County Conservation Boards
Yvette McCulley, Department of Education (new board member)
Anita O’Gara, Iowa Conservation Education Coalition
Don Sievers, Department of Natural Resources (new board member)
Linda Zaletel, Iowa Association of Naturalists

Board member in training in attendance:

Charlene Eylea, Iowa Association of Naturalists

CEP Monitor in attendance:

Susan Salterberg

Others attending:

Wayne Bruns	Victoria De Vos	Joyce Hammen
Terry Reinhart	Rebecca	Emily Neal
Kristin Simon	Kelly	Carl Bollwinkel
Jen Ryan-Fencel	John Klein	Barb Ehlers
Mike Krebill	Kay Newmann	
Ed Greunwald	Barb Gigar	<i>Via teleconference</i>
Tammie Krausman	Barbara Schroeder	April Schutes
Marcy Seavey	Doug Schroeder	Carole Yates
Leigh Adcock	Kurt Hoefler	Andrea Geary
Ron DeArmond	Bob Moser	

- 1) Vern Fish called the meeting to order at 1 pm, and announced that the Board rotates the chair responsibility by alphabetical order among Board members, so he would be the designated chair for the June 4 meeting.
- 2) Board members introduced themselves, noting that two former Board members, Kathy McKee (formerly the Dept. of Education representative on the Board) and Ross Harrison (formerly the Dept. of Natural Resources representative) are no longer on the Board. Kathy moved to a position outside of the DOE, and Ross retired from the DNR. Board member Linda Zaletel then introduced Charlene Eylea, who will join the Board as the Iowa Association of Naturalists representative in July 2011 when Linda retires.
- 3) Susan Salterberg, CEP monitor and assistant, then introduced herself and explained her role for the Board and for grant applicants.
- 4) Teleconference participants then introduced themselves, and then others in attendance introduced themselves.
- 5) Anita described the evaluation form and decision to adapt it before the next grant round. The Board advised all to watch for the new information on the website, and to use it if applying for money in the November grant round.

- 6) Vern then summarized the status of REAP CEP funding efforts to increase from \$350,000 to \$500,000. He indicated that the change in funds to REAP CEP would be addressed again after the Iowa Water and Land Legacy vote in November.
- 7) Vern described the meeting process, and then announced that \$344,500 is available for the May and November 2010 grant round. Anita moved that the Board reserve about \$115,000 for the fall round, knowing that this is an estimate. Linda seconded. Motion passed unanimously. With this as a guide, the Board would have approximately \$229,000 to spend.
- 8) Linda motioned to discuss the Plymouth County Park Pack proposal. Yvette seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9) Linda moved to discuss the Prairie Partners RC&D Social Media Outreach proposal. Anita seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion did not pass, 0-5.
- 10) Linda moved that the DNR project on Inquiry-Based Outdoor Ed for Early Childhood project be discussed and Yvette seconded it. Don indicated he would abstain from the discussion and vote because of conflict of interest. Discussion ensued, and then motion passed 4-0.
- 11) Linda moved that the UNI Rain, Runoff and Rivers project be discussed. Anita seconded it. Discussion ensued, and then motion passed unanimously.
- 12) Anita moved that the Iowa Academy of Science Place-Based project be discussed and Don seconded it. Discussion ensued. Motion passed unanimously.
- 13) Anita moved that the Women, Food and Agriculture Network Curriculum for Conversation Outreach project be discussed and Linda seconded it. Discussion ensued, and then motion passed unanimously.
- 14) Don moved that the Iowa Conservation Education Coalition's Winter Solstice project be discussed and Linda seconded it. Anita and Vern indicated they would be abstaining from the discussion and vote due to conflicts of interest. Discussion ensued, and motion did not pass 1-2.
- 15) The Board then agreed to cluster the next four proposals.
- 16) First, the UNI Green Holidays project was discussed. Next, the Board discussed the Story CCB KinderNature project, then the Iowa Academy of Science pre-service project, then Iowa Public Broadcasting's Iowa Outdoors project was discussed.
- 17) Anita moved that the Iowa Academy of Science pre-service project be funded and Linda seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.
- 18) Don moved that the IPTV project be funded and Yvette seconded it. Discussion ensued, and the motion passed 4-1.
- 19) Anita moved that the Hartman Reserve Songbirds project be discussed and Yvette seconded it. Discussion ensued, and the motion passed 3-1, with Vern abstaining from discussion and the vote because of conflict of interest.

- 20) Don moved that the Story County Conservation project be funded and Yvette seconded it. The motion failed, 1-3. Linda abstained from discussion and vote because of conflict of interest.
- 21) Don moved that the UNI Green Holidays project be funded and Anita seconded it. Discussion ensued, and the motion passed 4-1.
- 22) Anita moved that the grant funding be closed and Don seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.
- 23) A total of \$228,382 was awarded in June.
- 24) The Board then discussed unfunded projects, if a representative from the project was present and wished to hear feedback about their proposal.
- 25) At 4, Vern adjourned the meeting.