

**REAP CEP Board Minutes
June 5, 2009 Teleconference**

Board Members Attending:

Vern Fish
Ross Harrison
Kathy McKee
Anita O’Gara
Linda Zaletel

CEP Monitor Attending:

Susan Salterberg

Others Attending:

Janet Toerling	Lois Wright Morton	Lisa Anderson
Erin Ford	Rich Pope	Charlene Elyea
Patrice Petersen-Keys	Daren Mueller	Susanne Gustafson
Tim Paton	Ryan Harr	Ann Burns
Martha McCormick	Lois Wright-Morton	Rebecca Kauten
Wayne Buckholtz	Bob Moser	Linda Naeve
Jana Anderson	Jamie Ridgley	Carl Bollwinkel
Barb Ehlers	Ed Gruenwald	Constance Grimm
Julie Delaney	Jeff Kestral	

- 1) Vern Fish was designated chair of the meeting according to the Board’s policy of chairs serving in alphabetical order. Vern reviewed the agenda, then Linda made a motion to approve the agenda, Anita seconded it and motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Board introduced themselves, and then others attending introduced themselves.
- 3) Ross brought up a request from Project AWARE to fund out-of-state travel for AWARE staff to attend an awards banquet. The Board indicated that the travel doesn’t fall within the policies and procedures of the REAP CEP Board, so denied the request.
- 4) Ross explained the REAP Assembly process. The first Assembly will be held Sept. 21 in Cedar Falls and 16 others will be held after that. Each region elects five representatives to attend the REAP Congress on the first Saturday of January.
- 5) Vern mentioned how CEP has continually improved and, because of inflation over the past 20 years, the Board especially needs to look at an increase in funds. The Board members encouraged those in attendance at today’s REAP CEP meeting to attend their Assembly, serve as advocates to increase funding for REAP CEP, and also to be elected as a delegate to the REAP Congress. Ross abstained from the discussion due to conflict of interest.
- 6) The Board then set a teleconference date for August 12 at 1 pm. The Board then suggested the next meeting be tentatively scheduled for December 9, with a 10 am work group session, a 12 noon presentation from past grantees, and then the 1 pm Review of Grants meeting.
- 7) Vern explained grant procedures, and mentioned that if there is a conflict of interest for a Board member on a project, that Board member refrains from voting on the project. Vern indicated

that about \$345,000 was available for the May/November grant round. Ross motioned that the Board award about \$200,000 in the May round, and Linda seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

- 8) Kathy motioned and Linda seconded that the Perpetuate a Good Idea program be offered for both the May and November grant rounds.
- 9) Ross moved that the Webster CCB project be funded and Linda seconded it. Discussion occurred. Motion passed unanimously.
- 10) Anita moved that Iowa Academy of Science be funded and Linda seconded it. Discussion ensued, and motion passed unanimously.
- 11) Ross moved that Iowa 4-H project be funded. Kathy seconded it. Discussion ensued, and motion passed unanimously.
- 12) Kathy moved that Iowa Association of Naturalists project be funded and Ross seconded it. Discussion ensued, and motion passed 4-0. Linda abstained from discussion and vote due to conflict of interest.
- 13) Anita moved that UNI Wet Prairies project be funded and Ross seconded it. Discussion ensued, and motion passed unanimously.
- 14) Linda moved that Iowa Conservation Education Coalition project be funded. Because there was no second, the motion failed.
- 15) Kathy moved that Metro Arts project be funded and Linda seconded it. Discussion ensued, and motion passed unanimously.
- 16) Linda moved that Iowa Conservation Education Coalition project be funded and Kathy seconded it. Ross indicated the indirect cost request was higher than the allowed 10%, so total ask could not be more than \$18,711. Linda and Kathy accepted this adjustment as an amendment to the original motion. Discussion ensued, and motion passed 4-0. Anita abstained from discussion and vote due to conflict of interest.
- 17) Ross moved that ISU Pest Management project be funded and Anita seconded it. Discussion ensued. Kathy moved that we table this discussion and she made a motion to discuss Polk County Conservation's project. Discussion ensued, but due to lack of a second, Vern called the question on ISU Pest Management. Motion passed 4 to 1.
- 18) Linda moved that Polk County Conservation project be funded and Kathy seconded it. Discussion ensued, and motion passed unanimously.
- 19) Kathy motioned that the meeting adjourn, Linda seconded. The total dollar awarded was \$206,295.

After a break, unfunded projects were discussed if a representative from the project was in attendance.