



MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

October 1, 2021

Hybrid: Via Zoom and In person at Community Room—Alluma Inc., Crookston

Members present: Randy Bruer, Aaron Cook, Sarah Kjono, Karla Langaas, Chris Mills, Donita Stepan, Frances Tougas, Lisa Weber, Shawn Yates

Absent: Brittney Bimler, Jason Carlson, Maureen Hams, Jim Guetter, Catherine Johnson, Kathleen Johnson, Andrew Larson, Kristi Nelson, Shauna Reitmeier, Kirk Thorstenson

Others present: Faye Auchenpaugh, Colleen MacRae

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 9:33 am by Randy Bruer, Chair.
2. **Agenda:** **M/S/C:** (Mills/Yates) to approve the agenda.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** **M/S/C:** (Cook/Langaas) to approve the September 10, 2021 minutes.
4. **Financials and Bills:** **M/S/C:** (Mills/Tougas) to approve payment of the September 2021 facilitator invoice.
5. **Grant Opportunities and Reports:**
 - **BJA's STOP School Violence:** Waubun-Ogema-White Earth is doing well with implementing the project. They are able to log in but Navigate360 does not want them to log in as a group because they want to track numbers. Auchenpaugh said other schools have it on the back burner right now with beginning of school and it would be best to wait until November to convene another advisory committee meeting. She is very pleased with the turnout for training this summer given the late start to this project: sixteen school districts and Polk and Pennington County law enforcement, both sheriff's and police departments.
 - **21st Century Community Learning Centers:** Mills said the Year 5 budget is approved so activities have begun. The Year 4 Financial Report Form was submitted the end of September and we did a pretty good job of meeting our spending targets this year, so we are in good shape. The superintendents met in August and set individual district budgets similar to the last year. There is a check-in meeting with Eric Billiet in November. Weber, Bruer, Mills and Chwialkowski are heading a rountable discussion at the MREA convention in November.
 - **Family Partners:** MacRae said we are trying to utilize our Family Partners in more districts this year. We have officially received a Year 4 award of \$72,000 and we are continuing to work on the pilot project between Tri-Valley Opportunity Council and Alluma, and with Wilder to provide evaluation for this new service model, how this reimbursement concept came about, and all we have done to implement and operationalize it for other agencies that might want to incorporate this model.
 - **DHS Youth e-Cigarettes:** MacRae said a meeting has been set up for next week to discuss this opportunity. If there is interest in a collaborative effort, we will address this at the November meeting. MacRae has sent information out to the public health directors in all eight counties.
 - **Alluma COVID grant:** MacRae said Alluma is one of two federal grantees for a two-year award of \$2,999,080 to help restore services that were cut as a result of COVID-19, to help uninsured individuals who are suffering from Covid impacts, and to help support the wellbeing of Alluma staff serving on the front lines. The grant will allow Alluma to hire new staff to be cultural guides in the region, networking with others of various racial and ethnic populations. If schools have underinsured or uninsured families, please let Alluma know.

Adjournment: **M/S/C** (Weber/Cook) to adjourn.

Next meeting: **Friday, November 5, 2021, 9:30 – 11:30, either in-person at the Alluma Community Center or via Zoom.**

Faye Auchenpaugh, Facilitator