

Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, March 22, 2023 MINUTES

ATTENDED: Chair Bree Maki, Vice Chair Jean Roth, Clerk Monica Sveen-Ziebell, Member Mary Urch, Member

Tess Arrick-Kruger (via Zoom),

UNABLE TO ATTEND: Treasurer Jason Marquardt, Member Lynn Gorski, Member Don Leathers

EX-OFFICIO: Steve Sallee

STAFF: Dale Walston, Amy Grover, Katie Hartman

4:30 PM – PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Tess Arrick-Kruger (via Zoom), Bree Maki, Cherie Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chair Bree Maki. A quorum was declared.

Monica Sveen-Ziebell made a motion, seconded by Mary Urch to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

HEARING OF REPORTS

Student Academics Report. Katie Hartman (SSC Program Manager) joined us to share information on the Spelling Bee, Knowledge Bowl, and Young Authors Young Artists programs. The Spelling Bee winner will advance to the National Bee in Washington, D.C. Knowledge Bowl teams compete to advance to state contest in Brainerd. Over 1,000 students will participate in the YAYA program this spring. Katie fielded questions and took suggestions from members regarding the programs.

Executive Director Report - Steve Sallee provided several updates including discussion items from the Personnel Committee, a legislative session update, our new partnership with South Central Service Cooperative for local government services, and a summary of 2:1 meetings with staff.

Program Manager Updates - Amy Grover referred to the written report and shared updates related to educational services, including STEM Forward, Career Awareness, Wellness, Media and Marketing, MDH Workforce Grant, Project MOMENTUM, and SE MN Together.

CONSENT AGENDA

Monica Sveen-Ziebell made a motion, seconded by Jean Roth, to approve and accept the items on the consent agenda, including Minutes of Last Meeting, February Balance Sheet, February Revenue Expense, and February Bills. The motion passed unanimously.

SPECIFIC AGENDA

PERSONNEL

 Tess Arrick-Kruger made a motion, seconded by Mary Urch, to approve the hiring Christi Fosland as Educational Support Coordinator, effective 3/7/2023 and Emily Saed as is MN STEM Ecosystem Director, effective 4/14/2023. The motion passed unanimously.

OPERATIONS

• Monica Sveen-Ziebell made a motion, seconded by Jean Roth, to approve the contract with Lexia Learning. In discussion, Jean Roth spoke in support of the program. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

Mary Urch made a motion, seconded by Monica Sveen-Ziebell, to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

The next SSC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Christi Fosland, Educational Support Coordinator

2023 Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, January 25, 2023
Wednesday, February 22, 2023
Wednesday, March 22, 2023
Wednesday, April 26, 2023
Wednesday, May 24, 2023
Wednesday, June 28, 2023
JULY – NO MEETING
Wednesday, August 23, 2023
Wednesday, September 27, 2023
OCTOBER – MSC BOARD CONFERENCE
Wednesday, November 15, 2023
Wednesday, December 20, 2023