**RSAI Regional Meeting Draft Minutes**

**RSAI Territory SW**

**Griswold Middle School/High School Library**

20 Madison St., Griswold IA, 51535

**RSAI SW District 3-year term expires Sept. 2019**

**Paul Croghan**

RSAI NE District 3-year term expires Sept. 2018

RSAI NW District 3-year term expires Sept. 2020

RSAI SE District 3-year term expires Sept. 2020

1 At-large positions open in 2018 (Dan Smith, Harmony)

June 18, 2018 4:30 p.m.

Attendees:

* David Henrichs, Griswold CSD
* Don Smith, Griswold CSD
* Rob Paterson, Griswold CSD
* Paul Croghan, East Mills/Essex CSD
* Margaret Buckton, ISFIS/RSAI staff

1. Croghan convened the meeting at 4:30 p.m. Henrichs moved approval of the Agenda, Smith seconded. Approved unanimously.
2. Election of RSAI District SW Representative to the RSAI Leadership Group not needed at this time. Terms are specified in bylaws. Ongoing office is a 3-year term. (No vote necessary until 2019 in SW region)
3. Election of RSAI District Liaison representing District SW to the RSAI Legislative Group (Annual Election). Thanks to Jeremy Maske, Board Member, I-35 CSD, for serving in 2017-18!
   1. Croghan nominated Tim Mitchell, superintendent at Riverside. Henrichs seconded. No other nominations. Approved unanimously.
4. There were no Amendments proposed to RSAI Bylaws (Requires 2/3 majority)
5. Review of the 2018 Legislative Session and Data Supporting Key Issues Critical to RSAI member districts: Margaret Buckton, ISFIS, reviewed the 2018 Session, priorities that RSAI worked on, including extension of the state penny, extension of the Operational Sharing Incentives, Tax policy, school funding (SSA), transportation and formula equality, and elimination of Praxis test for teacher licensure in Iowa.
6. Establish RSAI District legislative priorities for the upcoming Iowa Legislative Session to forward to the RSAI Legislative Group. The group discussed continuation of the 2018 priorities into the 2019 session. Keep operational sharing on the list, but move it to a back seat. Under teacher quality, emphasis on student loan forgiveness, prioritizing veterans and concerns about necessity of a signing bonus for teachers. Consensus was to keep working on the previously year’s priorities.
7. Any other business - none
8. Paterson made motion to adjourn. Smith seconded. Approved unanimously. Croghan adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

**Save the date: 2018 RSAI Annual Meeting**

Oct. 24, 2018 4:30-7:00PM (Light working dinner will be served)

FFA Enrichment Center (DMACC Campus)

1055 SW Prairie Trail Parkway, Ankeny, Iowa 50023

Conduct annual business, set Legislative Priorities, and plan for successful advocacy