

RSAI Leadership Group Minutes

August 9, 2023 at 12 pm

Via Zoom or at ISFIS 1201 63rd Street, Des Moines, IA 50311

(Contact jen@iowaschoolfinance.com for Zoom link)

Leadership Group Attendees: Paul Croghan (Chair), Scott Williamson (Vice-Chair), Dan Peterson (Secretary/Treasurer), Brent Jorth, Dan Maeder, Nick Trenkamp. AEA representative – Jason Plourde.

ISFIS Staff Attendees: Margaret Buckton, Larry Sigel, Dave Daughton and Jen Albers

I Call to Order by Chair Croghan & Welcome to Brent Jorth

Croghan called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm. A quorum was present. All attendees introduced themselves to one another and welcomed Brent Jorth, new RSAI Leadership Group member.

II Approve Agenda

Trenkamp moved and Peterson seconded approval of the agenda. Approved unanimously.

III Approve Meeting Minutes

- Leadership Group Minutes from July 12, 2023
- Bylaws Committee from July 31, 2023

Trenkamp moved and Williamson seconded approval of the meeting minutes as presented. Approved unanimously.

IV Review Membership Report

Albers shared the YTD membership report for FY 2024, noting new members and those renewals still pending. Discussion ensued.

V Approve Monthly Financials and Corporate Sponsors

Albers reviewed the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. Total Assets were \$70,228. Total Revenues of \$143,400 with 95% from memberships. Total Expenditures of \$116,570, and Net Income of \$26,830. Trenkamp moved and Williamson seconded approval of the financial statements through June 30, 2023. No reimbursement due to ISFIS this month. Approved unanimously.

Albers and Peterson will begin the internal audit of the FY 2023 financial statements and prepare the Treasurer's Report for presentation at the Annual Meeting in October.

No Corporate Sponsorships were presented at this meeting.

VI Mission Critical Actions/Updates

- Report from the Bylaws Committee (Dan, Nick and Scott)

Buckton, Albers and Bylaws Committee members reviewed the recent Bylaws Committee meeting discussion and bylaws changes being proposed to the Legislative Committee. After the Legislative Committee takes action, these will be shared with the Leadership Group and presented for approval at the Annual Meeting in October.

- Legislative Issues Survey Results

Buckton reviewed the summary of responses on proposed priorities for the 2024 legislative session resulting from the RSAI Legislative Issues Survey. There were over 125 responses to the survey. These will be discussed in detail at the Legislative Committee meeting, and shared with the Leadership Group at the September meeting.

- Legislative Committee – August 10, 2023 in Des Moines

Buckton review the agenda for the RSAI Legislative Committee meeting and the process for drafting priorities for the 2024 legislative session for approval at the Annual Meeting in October.

- Annual Meeting – October 17, 2023 in Ankeny

- Invitation & Registration - <https://www.rsaia.org/annual-meeting.html>

Buckton encouraged the group to get registered for the Annual Meeting and to share the invitation with others that may be interested in attending.

- Legislative Updates & Actions (Digest, Outreach to the new DE Director, Heads Up about expected Administrative Rules)

Buckton reminded the group of the RSAI Legislative Digest, encouraged outreach to the new DE Director and suggested inviting her to local districts.

- TPRA Grant Update

Buckton and Albers shared the latest on the TPRA Grant Program and upcoming deadlines.

- Leadership Group Member Updates (anything to share with the group?)

Leadership Group members discussed several items including: implementation of transparency and parents' rights legislation and their plans for transitional policies, as well as communication around this legislation with their staff. The group also discussed sharing positive things happening at their districts with parents and media, as well as recent ESA articles and the upcoming October 1st headcount.

VII Other Business

No other business was brought up for discussion.

VIII Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- August 10, 2023 at 10am in Des Moines (Legislative Committee)
- September 13, 2023 at noon (LG)
- October 17, 2023 – Annual Meeting and LG Organizational Meeting

IX. Adjourn

The meeting concluded by mutual consent at 1:10 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted

Margaret Buckton, RSAI Professional Advocate, As of 8/9/2023