

# Board Meeting

## October 27, 2021



**IDAHO**  
**STEM**  
ACTION CENTER

**STEM Action Center Conference Room**

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**1:00 – 3:30 pm**

# Approval of July Minutes

Request for **Motion** to Approve  
Minutes from July





# Board Member Updates



**Dee Mooney / Chair**  
Executive Director,  
Micron Foundation



**Jennifer Jackson/Vice Chair**  
Public Affairs and  
Strategic Initiatives,  
Idaho National Laboratory



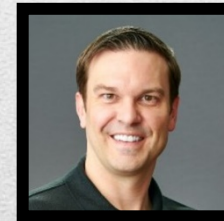
**Jake Reynolds**  
Business Development &  
Operations Administrator,  
Idaho Department of Commerce



**Dr. Dave Hill**  
State Board of  
Education Member



**Wendi Secrist**  
Executive Director,  
Workforce Development  
Council



**Jad Mahnken**  
Recruiter,  
Saint Alphonsus



**Dr. Joel Wilson**  
Deputy Superintendent of  
Operations,  
State Department of  
Education





# Goal Updates

- **GOAL 1:** Advance equitable **access** to high-quality STEM+CS opportunities for educators, students, and communities
- **GOAL 2:** **Align** STEM education with workforce needs throughout Idaho
- **GOAL 3:** Increase **awareness** of the importance of STEM throughout Idaho





# Goal Updates

## Questions/Comments





# Idaho EcosySTEM



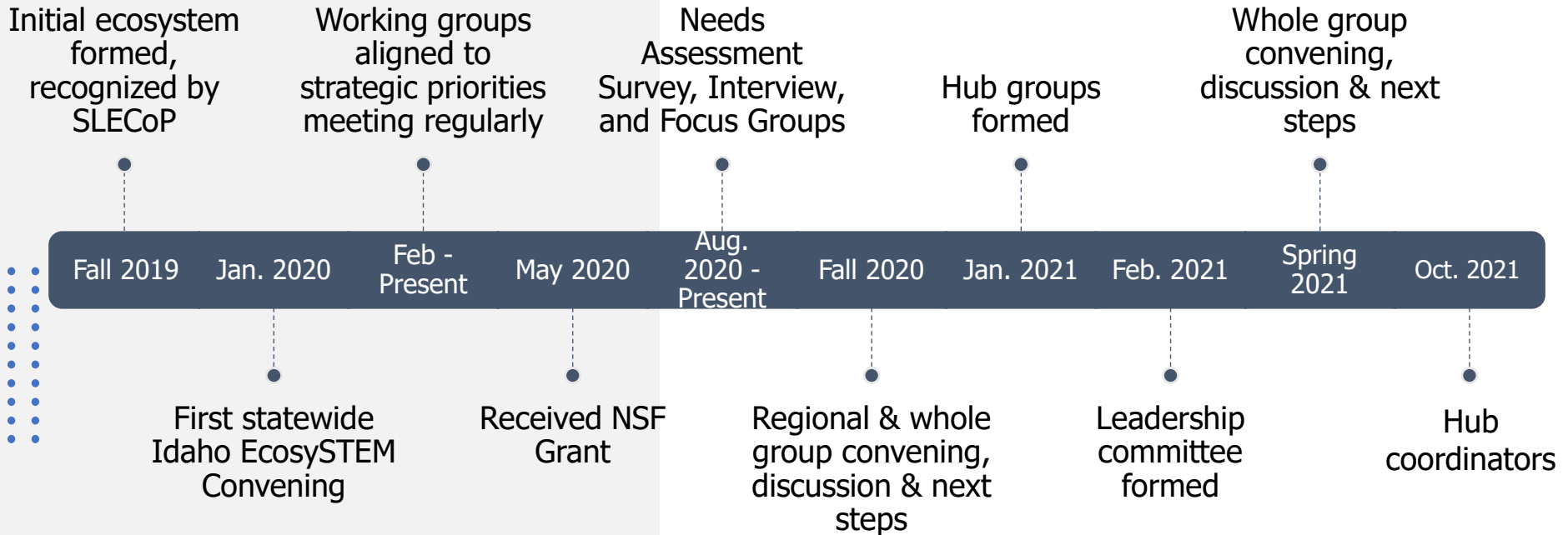
# Guiding Aspirational Statement

The Idaho EcosySTEM fosters the integration of STEM experiences for Idahoans, creating problem-solvers and critical thinkers who will sustain and lead our economy.





# Idaho EcosySTEM Timeline & Overview





# Why Idaho EcosySTEM?

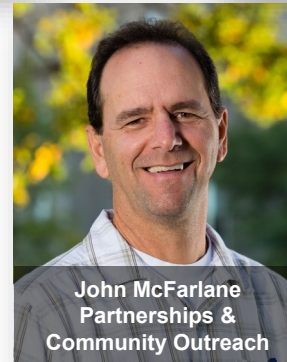
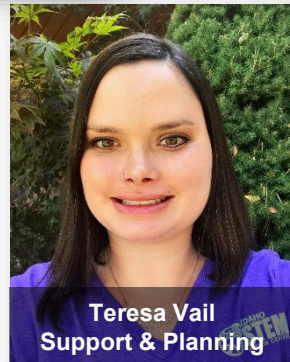
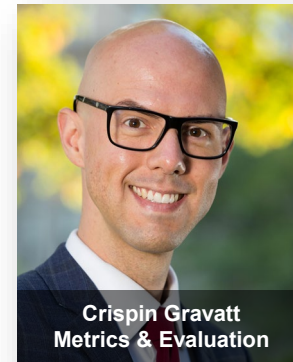
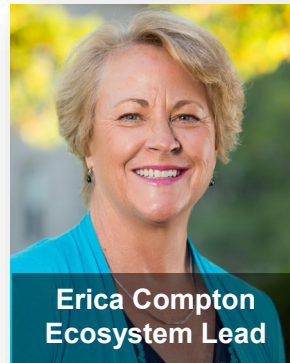
A group of stakeholders that work together to design and implement a comprehensive vision of STEM learning for all and to further develop clear STEM career pathways for Idaho's youth through a **collective impact**

Together, we will focus on:

- Broadening STEM **equity**
- Promoting **access to, alignment with, and awareness of**, STEM education and careers
- Creating successful **metrics** for STEM education and programming
- **Building STEM momentum** within the state and nationally



# STEM AC EcosySTEM Support Team



A STEM ecosystem provides the structure for cross-sector partnerships to improve STEM literacy, ensuring a strong workforce and global competitiveness for all.



# EcosySTEM Structure

3 Hubs (to-date)

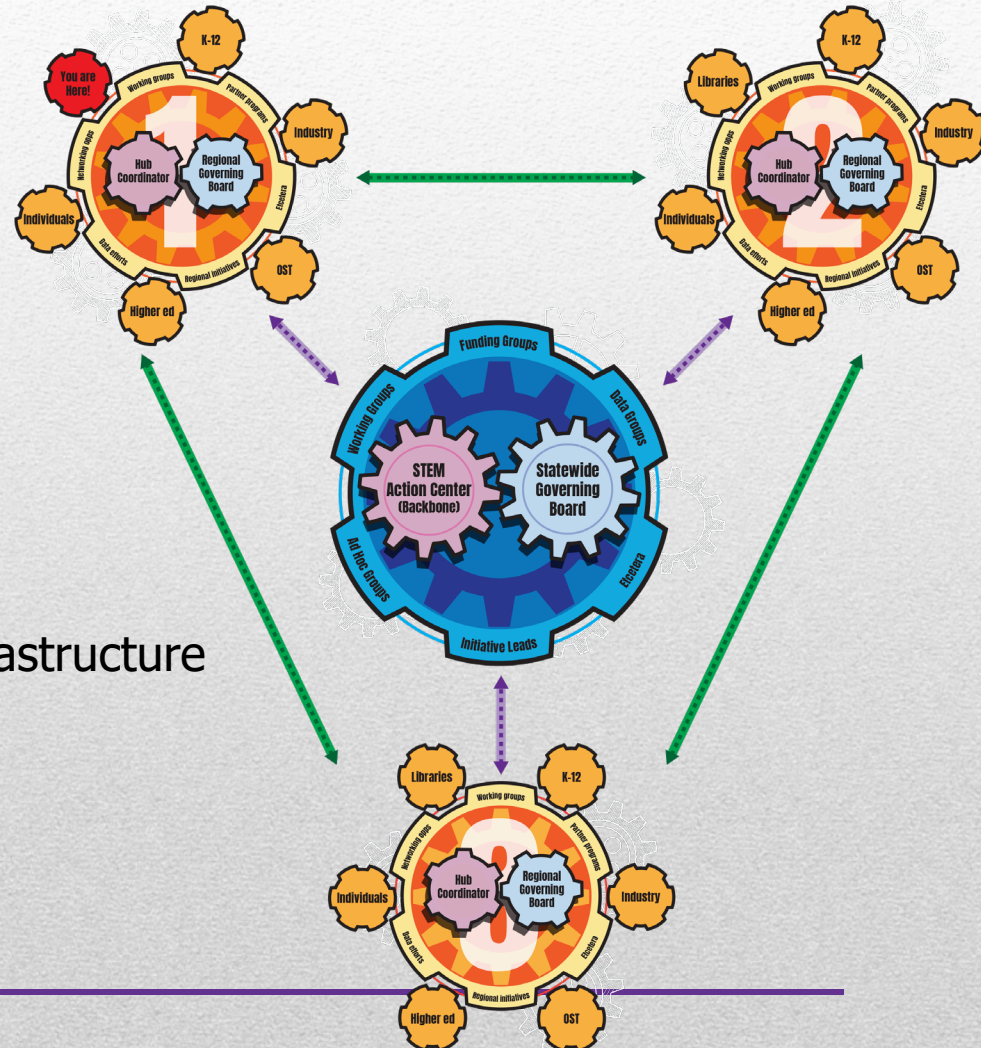
State Backbone

Hub-to-Hub relationship:

Focus on programs & partnerships

State-and-Hub relationship:

Focus on data, funding, strategy, & infrastructure





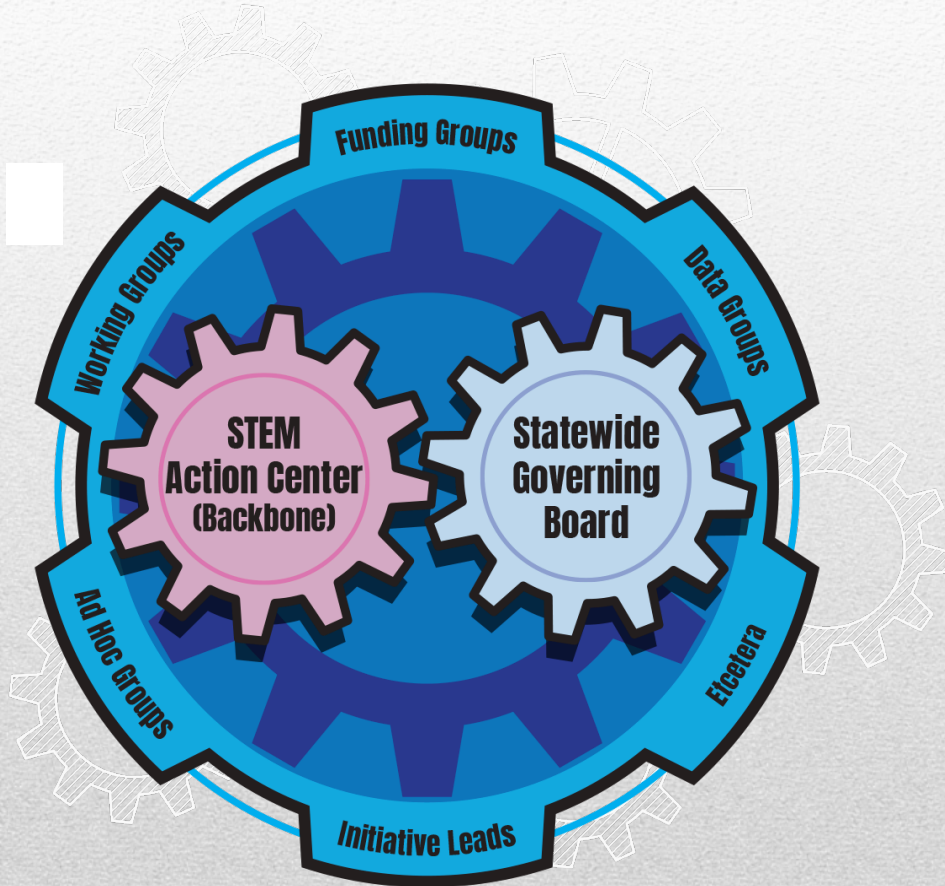
# EcosySTEM Structure

State level; nonprofit model

**Backbone:** STEM AC serves to align strategic direction, gather, interpret, & distribute relevant data, support, infrastructure, etc.

**Statewide Governance Board:** Members offering strategic advice, additional decision-making, and other coordination efforts

**Teeth:** Activities/efforts related to building state ecosystem





# EcosySTEM Governance Group



**Sharon Cates**

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Idaho State Department of  
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Region 3 - Statewide



**Chris Guthrie**

*Director of STEM and  
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Idaho State University  
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Region 5



**John Cassleman**

*Associate Program Manager  
(K-12 Ed. Outreach)*  
Schweitzer Engineering  
Laboratories  
Region 2



**Kaitlin Maguire**

*Executive Director*  
Idaho STEM Action Center  
Region 3 – Statewide



**Lisa Lalliss-Skogsberg**

*Regional Director, Idaho  
FIRST*  
Region 3 – Statewide





**Sonia Martinez**  
*STEM Diversity and  
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Idaho State University  
Region 4



**Kellie Taylor**  
*1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grades Gifted Teacher*  
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**Glenn Pfautsch**  
*Associate Dean, School of  
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**Sarah Penney**  
*Program Manager*  
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Region 2 - Statewide



**Kay Seven**  
*Career Center Director*  
Nez Perce Tribe  
Region 2

# EcosySTEM Governance Group





# Strategic Priority Working Groups



**Educator  
Preparation,  
Training & Support**



**Career Pathways &  
Exposure**



**Outreach &  
Communications**



**Access and Equity**

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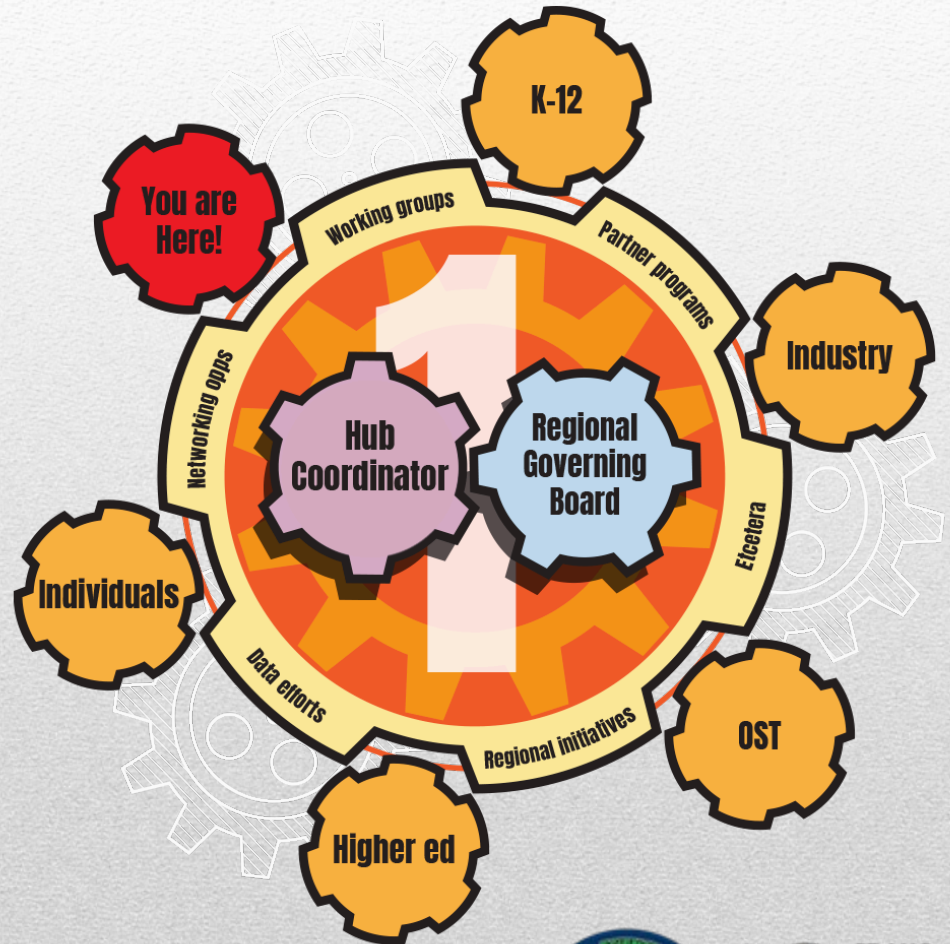
Hub level; nonprofit model

**Hub Coordinator:** Full-time paid point person to coordinate activities for regional hub

**Hub Governance Board:** Members offering strategic advice, additional decision-making, and other coordination efforts

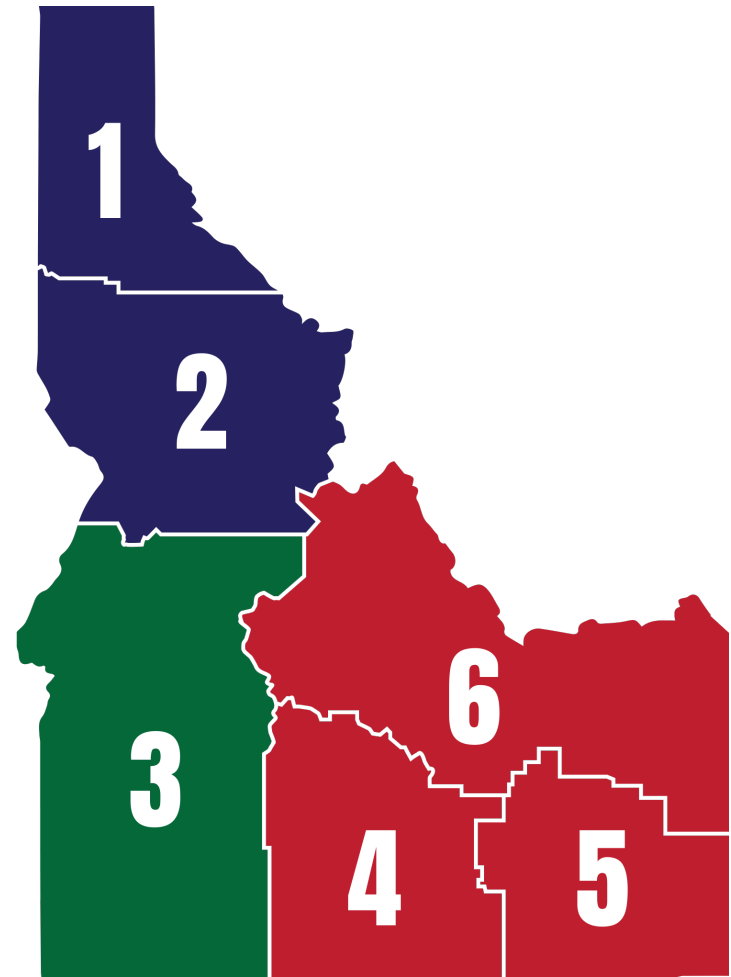
**Teeth:** Activities/efforts related to building regional ecosystem

**Small gears:** “You are here!”- members of the regional ecosystem (on-the ground service providers; “Why we’re here!”)





# Idaho Educational Regions



# Ashley Schaffner

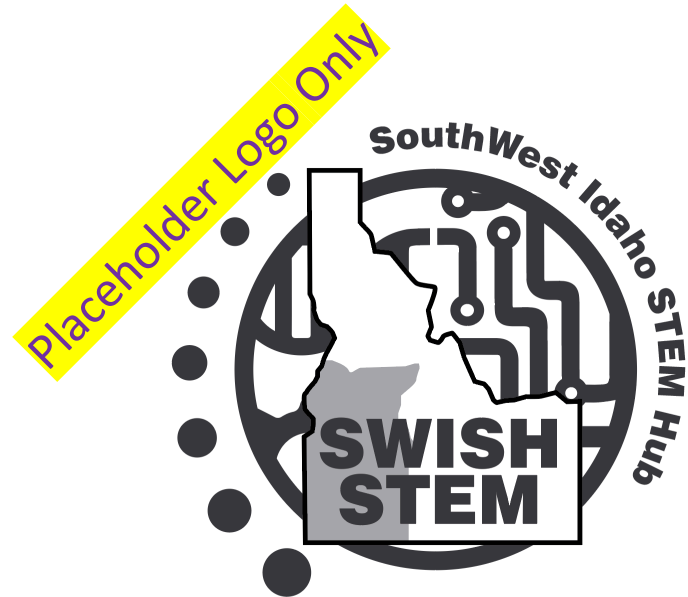
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# Next Steps for the EcosySTEM

- Strategic working group to define goals
- Development of data/metrics system to measure collective impact
- Business model/funding structure

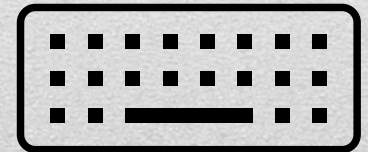
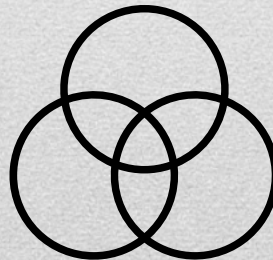
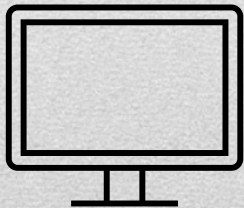


# STEM Matters Day





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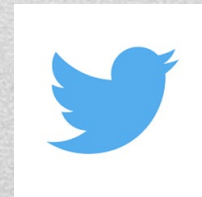
# Public Comment





# Areas You Can Support

- **Introductions to STEM Supporters**
- **Introductions to P3 partnerships**
- **Volunteer Recruitment**
- **Follow us on Social Media (or share)**



# Other Upcoming Events

**Next Board Meeting**  
TBD

**Giving Tuesday**  
November 30, 2021

**CS Education Week & Hour of Code**  
December 6-12, 2021

**STEM Matters Day**  
January 19, 2022

