

**STEM Action Center  
Board Meeting Minutes  
May 30, 2023 1:00 – 2:00 pm  
Zoom Meeting**

**Call to Order**

Jennifer Jackson, Board Chair, called to order the Special Board Meeting of the STEM Action Center at 1:00 pm on May 30, 2023.

**Roll Call**

The **STEM AC Board** meeting was conducted via Zoom. Attendance: Jad Mahnken, Steven Christensen, Wendi Secrist, Ed Atienza, Dave Hill, Jake Reynolds, Jennifer Jackson, Allison Duman, Dee Mooney

**Absent:** None

**STEM Action Center Staff:** Caty Solace, Erica Compton, Katie Bosch-Wilson, Stephanie Lee, Crispin Gravatt, Francine McGrew

**STEM Action Center Contractors:** John MacFarlane

**Opening remarks:** Welcome by Jennifer. Briefly reviewed the agenda for meeting.

**The EcosySTEM Agreement:**

No need for Board to make motion on agreement.

Board asks Caty to walk through agreement as a whole.

Agreement has been seen by Board prior to meeting. Legislative intent is clearly stated in the agreement to support STEM AC from the legislative lens.

IBE is excited and running agreement through legal to make sure agreement is mutually beneficial. Agreement will go through DAG once we hear back from IBE's legal.

Board asks about escape measures around Legislative funding. Agreement holds statements supporting exiting due to lack of funding. Follow-up with pre-pay question, around refunding if funding gets pulled. Look at Section 14: "a proportional amount of pre-paid sponsorship would be refunded to the STEM AC." Ask DAG to support this language.

Language will be added in around 90-day notice of cancelation of agreement for IBE.

Board asked about spending language; agreement has a space to talk about misuse of funds. Reviewed agreement to address this. Board feels comfortable with elements but did agree they are not lawyer confirming.

Board asked about Legislative reporting requirements. EcosySTEM requirements align with our legislation reporting.

Clarification that the board does not need to make a motion on the agreement, but that this meeting is for guidance.

Question asked about insurance and if there is any cost associated. STEM AC will check with DAG.

Confirmed that IBE is a non-profit.

STEM AC will hope to execute the agreement by end of the next week. Board asked for notification of agreement and final form. STEM AC is hoping to have agreement in place prior to FY24.

Jennifer thanks the group for discussion.. Thanks STEM AC for the lift and dedication. Asks for any last minute comments or questions.

Jennifer moves to adjourn. 1:19 pm.