Minutes

Iowa League of Cities Executive Board Wednesday, February 16, 2022 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Present :	Donny Hobbs, President John Haila, President-elect Quentin Hart, Immediate Past President Ruth Randleman, Past President Ashley Vanorny, Director Brad Cavanagh, Director Scott Wynja, Director Michael Holton, Director Bruce Perry, Director Brian Wagner, Director Courtney Clarke, Director
Present on phone:	Quentin Hart, Immediate Past President Shirley McAdon, Director Corrin Spiegel, Director Susan Sembach, Director
Absent:	Scott Naumann, Past President Tom Cope, Director Chris Taylor, Director Aaron Burnett, Director
Also Present:	Alan Kemp, Executive Director Shannon Busby, Office Manager Alison Deiter, Senior Accountant Robert Palmer, General Counsel and Director of Government Affairs Mickey Shields, Director of Membership Services Heather Roberts, Director of Information Services Erin Mullenix, Research Director Katie Wheeler, Business Relations Coordinator Jessica Vogel, Communications Coordinator Dana Monosmith, Controller Jeff Hovey, Directory of Risk Services

1. Call to Order

President Hobbs called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

2. Executive Board Vacancy

President Hobbs requested board approval to appoint Courtney Clarke, Mayor from Waukee, Aaron Burnett, City Administrator from Mason City and Ruth Randleman, Council Member from Carlisle to fill the vacancy on the Executive Board due to David Jones, Greg Piklapp and Tom Lazio not running for re-election. Director Vanorny asked the board to consider adding Hai Huynh, Council Member from Coralville in place of Aaron Burnett. After discussion, it was <u>moved by Director Perry</u> and seconded by President-elect Haila to move forward with the original recommendation. Motion approved. Director Vanorny – Nay.

3. Consent Agenda

It was <u>moved by Director Schmidt</u> and seconded by Director Vanorny to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the November 11, 2021 meeting of the Executive Board, League Associate Applications, the membership and investment reports. Motion approved.

4. Financial Report

After the senior accountant reviewed the November 2021 financial report it was <u>moved by</u> <u>Director Cavanagh</u> and seconded by Director Vanorny to approve the report. Motion approved.

5. Partner Program Application

The business relations coordinator requested ratification of a Partner Application from Windstream, a communication and software company. After much discussion concerning Windstream's poor service interactions with several cities, it was <u>moved by Director</u> <u>Vanorny</u> and seconded by Director Wynja to deny admission to the Partner Program. Staff was directed to meet with Windstream and provide feedback on the decision and encourage them to promote better service and relationships with member cities. Motion approved.

The board also asked staff to bring this back on the agenda to discuss criteria to become an associate or partner and reevaluate all current associates and partners.

6. Appointment to the MFPRSI Board of Trustees

It was <u>moved by Director Vanorny</u> and seconded by Director Perry to appoint Mallory Merritt, CFO/Assistant City Administrator for Davenport to serve as a city trustee on the Municipal Fire and Police Retirement System of Iowa to the positon currently held by Duane Pitcher. The appointment is for a four (4) year term beginning April 30, 2022 Motion approved.

7. 2022 Legislative Update

The general counsel and director of government relations provided an update on the 2022 legislative session.

8. National League of Cities and Federal Legislative Update

Brittney Koehler from the National League of Cities will provided the board with an update on federal issues and the National League of Cities.

9. Review and Approval of Strategic Initiatives

The executive director provided an overview of the League's Strategic Initiatives. The board directed staff increase leadership and diversity and to define what that means. The board would like to also help more with this process and to form a task force to be a sounding board between board meetings.

10. League Database Update

The director of information services provided an update on the status of the website update initiative.

11. Other Business and Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Executive Board is scheduled for Thursday, April 7, 2022.

12. Adjourn

President Hobbs adjourned the executive board meeting at 11:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Alan W. Kemp Executive Director