

**STEM Action Center Board & Foundation Meeting Minutes**

August 28, 2019 • 3:00pm

STEM Action Center: 60 East South Temple, Suite 850 - Salt Lake City

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<b>Members Present:</b>	Vance Checketts, Sarah Lehman, Jared Haines, Sydnee Dickson, Bert VanderHeiden, Tami Pyfer, Jill Love, Mark Sunday, Scott Hansen, Scotty Nowlin, Blair Carruth
<b>Members Absent:</b>	Jon Pierpont, Tim Miller
<b>Staff:</b>	Tami Goetz, Sue Redington, Allison Spencer, Lynn Purdin, Kellie Yates, Melanie Shepherd, Clarence Ames, Julianne Bailey, Becca Robison, Colleen Fisher, , Tristan Taylor
<b>Visitors:</b>	Nate McDonald, Stacy Eddings, Andrea Rorrer, Matt Poseck, Robert Owens, Alison Sturgeon, Robert Robins

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**I. Welcome and Related Business**

Vance Checketts called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

A motion was made to approve the April minutes by Mark Sunday, second by Sarah Lehman. All approved minutes.

**II. STEM Share Out:**

Introductions of STEM Action Center Board Members.

**III. Board Discussion**

Sue Redington reviews the STEM AC budget for the year and commented that it has not yet been approved by the governor. Syd Dickson asked questions regarding “In the Event” and out-of-state travel. Sue Redington responded to Syd Dickson’s questions. Vance Checketts asked what STEM AC needed from the board moving forward. Sue Redington commented that STEM had carry over in the past which we used for micro grant programs. This year moving spaces there is less money to carry over. Tami Goetz commented that 32% of STEM’s budget went toward micro grants, which went directly to teachers and students. Tami Pyfer commented that they gave \$100,000 for STEM MX app and asked the status of it. Tami Goetz answered that we didn’t proceed with STEM MX app and that the money went toward micro grants.

Vance asked if there were any requests from the board. Syd Dickson commented that she appreciated the budget being broken out so the board could understand it. The board would like this to be shown a couple times per year.

Tami Goetz introduced Dr. Stacy Eddings and Andrea Rorrer. They presented data from Professional Learning 2018-19 year as well as math data from 2017-18.

Andrea explained about the data analysis. Vance Checketts asked Stacy if they could get an electronic copy of her powerpoint presentation to the board. Stacy responded yes she would provide it to the board.

Math licenses were discussed. Mark Sunday asked how the licenses are distributed. Clarence Ames responded that they schools apply for the licenses. Syd Dickson commented that most schools use the programs and about 51% are provided by STEM.

Stacy went over the results of surveys from teachers. Stacy commented that this was only part of the data she has collected.

Sarah Lehman asked what the long-term goal of the math licenses and program. Clarence Ames commented that because tech changes, it is really hard to say “the work is done”. We evaluate the software programs and the efficacy before distributing. Sarah Lehman asked at what point would STEM quit funding for the schools. Tami Goetz replied that at some point it may go to USBE. Vance Checketts stated that maybe we need to look at the schools that have not been funded to move the funding around.

Stacy Eddings went over STEM endorsement cohorts, 95-99% of those teachers are using STEM in their classrooms. Vance Checketts suggested that to save time, we save the last 2 programs Stacy Eddings was reviewing until next meeting.

Tami Goetz talked about STEM AC’s new home and that it should be a gathering place, not just an office. A paper was passed out with information about the different spaces that have been considered. Brian Parker came to talk about the space at Columbus Hub. A discussion took place about GOED wanting the STEM AC space. Vance Checketts commented that he doesn’t like that Columbus Hub is basically our option. Tami Pfyer commented that she likes the space with the Columbus group people. Mark Sunday commented that he likes the space. Tami Goetz commented that we may have a donor to help with the building costs to get the maker space going. Blair Carruth commented that if we wait too long this space may go away. The majority of the board felt that STEM AC should go ahead with the Columbus Hub space. Mark Sunday motioned to go ahead with this, Sarah Lehman seconded it. Bert VanderHeiden commented that we would like to know about donor money first. Vance Checketts commented that before you sign the deal on donor funds the board would like to have that discussion, maybe name the space after the donor. Mark Sunday commented to make it a GREAT space. Blair Carruth asked if STEM outgrows the space during the 9 year lease is there an exit clause? Tami Goetz said the state gave the green light to sign a 9 year lease.

Vance adjourned the meeting.

#### **IV. Meeting Adjourned at 5:03 pm**