

Minutes

Iowa League of Cities Executive Board
Meeting by Electronic Means via video conferencing
Thursday, June 25, 2020
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

- Present on phone: Tom Lazio, President
Quentin Hart, President-elect
Scott Naumann, Immediate Past President
Matt Walsh, Past President
John Lundell, Past President
David Jones, Director
Jessica Kinser, Director
Dawn Meyer, Director
Alison Osweiler, Director
Chris Taylor, Director
Shirley McAdon, Director
Corrin Spiegel, Director
Donny Hobbs, Director
Tim Schmidt, Director
Tom Cope, Director
Greg Piklapp, Director
Bob Scott, Director
- Absent: Al Roder, Director
Ashley Vanorny, Director
- Also Present: Alan Kemp, Executive Director
Shannon Busby, Office Manager
Jeff Hovey, Director of Risk Services
Alison Deiter, Senior Accountant
Dana Monosmith, Controller
Robert Palmer, General Counsel and Director of Government Affairs
Heather Roberts, Director of Information Services
Mickey Shields, Director of Membership Services
Erin Mullenix, Research Director
Katie Wheeler, Business Relations Coordinator
Daniel Stalder, Government Affairs Outreach Coordinator
Justin Glisan, State Climatologist of Iowa
- 1. Call to Order**
President Lazio will call the meeting to order at 10 a.m.
 - 2. Executive Director Performance Evaluation**
The board met in closed session for the annual performance evaluation of the executive director.

3. Consent Agenda

It was moved by President-elect Hart and seconded by Past President Lundell to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the April 23 and May 22, 2020 meeting of the Executive Board, and the membership and investment reports. Motion approved.

4. Financial Report

Following the senior accountant review of the March 2020 financial report it was moved by Immediate Past President Naumann and seconded by Director Schmidt to approve the report. Motion approved.

5. Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/2021

The executive director and senior accountant reviewed the proposed operating budget for the 2020/2021 fiscal year. It was moved by President-elect Hart and seconded by Director Kinser to approve as proposed. Motion approved.

6. Reserve Funds Policy

The senior accountant reviewed the Reserve Funds Policy and requested approval of the funds to be reserved as directed by the policy. It was moved Director Taylor and seconded by President-elect Hart to approve the funds to be reserved as directed by the policy. Motion approved.

7. League Investment Policy

As required, the executive board reviewed the League investment policy. It was moved by Director Osweiler and seconded by Director Hobbs to approve the policy with no changes. Motion approved.

8. Appointment to the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust

President Lazio sought approval for reappointment of Michelle Wiedner, Finance Director for the city of Waterloo to a three-year term on the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust Board of Trustees. Wiedner serves as the IPAIT Board's financial expert. It was moved by Past President Walsh and seconded by Director Cope to approve the appointment. Motion approved.

9. Annual Conference & Exhibit Decision

The executive director and director of membership services sought guidance from the board on whether to hold the 122st Annual Conference & Exhibit on site in Coralville or transition the event to a virtual platform. Following an extended discussion, including the financial impacts, it was moved by Director Meyer and seconded by President-elect Hart to transition the 2020 conference to a virtual platform. Motion approved. Nays Director Scott and Past President Walsh. Staff was additionally directed to reach out to the future conference cities to seek their approval to move their dates behind one year.

10. League Committee Reports

A. Nominating Committee

The executive director reviewed the process for setting the slate of officers and directors to be submitted to the membership at the Annual Business Meeting.

B. Policy Committee

The general counsel and director of government affairs reported on the League's Policy Committee which meet on May 21 to begin the process for making recommendations for 2021 League legislative values.

11. Proposed Legislative Service Awards Recipients 2020

It was moved by Past President Walsh and seconded by Director Hobbs to present the award to the recommended individuals. Motion approved. Nays Director Scott and Past President Lundell.

12. Climate Change

Justin Glisan, Ph.D., the State Climatologist of Iowa provided a presentation on how the climate in Iowa is changing and its varied impacts on the state.

13. State of Iowa Newspapers

This agenda item was deferred to the August meeting due to time constraints.

14. COVID-19 Update

The executive director lead an open discussion on issues surrounding the COVI-19 pandemic and its impacts on the League and its member cities, including an update on the Cities are Essential campaign and the status of the CARES Act funding distribution to local governments.

15. Other Business and Next Meeting

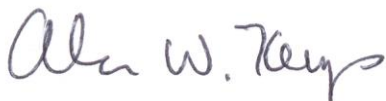
The president asked for feedback on the board's thoughts of having the next meeting in person. The board would also like to add EPA issues and a diversity/inclusion discussion to future board meetings.

The next meeting of the Executive Board is 10 a.m., Thursday, August 13, 2020. It will be determined at a later date whether to hold the meeting in the League office or via video conferencing.

16. Adjourn

The executive board adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Alan W. Kemp
Executive Director