

Minutes

Iowa League of Cities Executive Board
Meeting by Electronic Means via video conferencing
Thursday, August 13, 2020
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Present on phone: Tom Lazio, President
Quentin Hart, President-elect
Matt Walsh, Past President
David Jones, Director
Dawn Meyer, Director
Alison Osweiler, Director
Shirley McAdon, Director
Corrin Spiegel, Director
Donny Hobbs, Director
Tom Cope, Director
Al Roder, Director
Bob Scott, Director
Chris Taylor, Director
Ashley Vanorny, Director

Absent: Scott Naumann, Immediate Past President
John Lundell, Past President
Jessica Kinser, Director
Tim Schmidt, Director
Greg Piklapp, Director

Also Present: Alan Kemp, Executive Director
Shannon Busby, Office Manager
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
Lucie Laurian, University of Iowa School of Planning and Public Affairs

1. Call to Order

President Lazio will called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. Consent Agenda

It was moved by Director Jones and seconded by Past President Walsh to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the June 25 meeting of the Executive Board, and the associate applications, membership and investment reports. Motion approved.

3. Financial Report

Following the senior accountant review of the May 2020 financial report it was moved by Director Osweiler and seconded by Director Hobbs to approve the report. Motion approved.

4. Annual Conference and Exhibit

The director of membership services provided an update on the process of moving the League's Annual Conference & Exhibit to a virtual platform.

5. Review of Fall Training Events

The director of membership services provided a review of the training events the League will host later this year, including the Annual Budget Workshops and the Iowa Municipal Attorneys Association CLE Seminar. IMAA has moved to a virtual conference to be held in November and staff is currently determining what type of format the budget workshops will be held.

6. Legislative Values Approval

President-elect Hart presented the League legislative values as recommended by the Policy Committee. It was moved by President-elect Hart and seconded by Director Vanorny to approve the values as presented. Motion approved. These values will be presented to the membership for adoption at the Annual Business Meeting.

7. League Committee Reports

Committee reports are submitted for review and discussion.

A. Nominating Committee

The executive director formally announced the slate of officers and directors that will be submitted to the membership at the Annual Business Meeting.

B. Awards Committee

The executive director presented the recommendations for the Hall of Fame Award and the Rhonda Wood Smith Award. It was moved by Past President Walsh and seconded by Director Cope to approve the recommendations. Motion approved.

8. Strategic Action Plan Review & Reconsideration

The executive director reviewed the outcome of the strategic goal setting conducted in November 2019. The board reviewed and discussed the original initiatives and considered adding additional goals related to engaging with the police and the issues of diversity and inclusion. League staff will update the action plan and bring it back to the November meeting.

9. From Diversity to Inclusion in Iowa Communities

President-elect Hart lead a discussion to highlight how our communities are becoming more diverse and to start communication outlets now. For the League's upcoming year, he encouraged the board to hold conversations around this area and its importance to cities.

10. Lakes Nutrient Standards Discussion

The director of government affairs and general counsel provided the board with an overview of proposed Ambient Water Quality Criteria for Lakes and Reservoirs that have been issued by the Environmental Protection Administration. Members of the Iowa League of Cities have been approached about filing comments in opposition to the proposed standards. It was moved by Director Roder and seconded by Director Meyer to continue to move forward to support those cities seeking to submit comments.

11. University of Iowa School of Planning and Public Affairs

Lucie Laurian, Associate Director of the School of Planning and Public Affairs, provided an overview of the new Masters in Public Affairs degree that has been added this fall semester.

12. COVID-19 Update

The executive director led an open discussion on issues surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts on the League and its member cities, including an update on the CARES Act and payroll tax deferral.

13. Schedule 2021 and Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be November 7, 2020.

14. Recognition of Directors

The President recognized the contributions of those members of the Executive Board who are leaving the board.

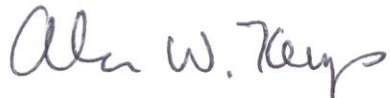
15. Other Business

Director Vanorny asked for feedback on disaster relief in light of the recent storm.

16. Adjourn

President Lazio adjourned the executive board at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan W. Kemp". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alan W. Kemp
Executive Director