**SC STEM Advisory Board Meeting
April 18, 2014 Minutes**

1. Members Present: Byron, Chai, Derry, Ernst, Henshaw, Henson, Pattison, Peck, Sharpe
2. Members Absent: Bontrager, Corbin, Dhawan, Duda, McCaulley, Wigeland
3. Guests: Jan McMahill, Greg Pattison
4. Thank you to Karen Pattison and Clarke County Extension for hosting our meeting site.
5. Special Guest: Greg Pattison with US Fish & Wildlife discussed program initiatives and STEM careers.
6. There are lots of STEM careers: About 5,000 work within the refuge system; Fish & Wildlife employees 50-60 people. Many live in rural areas, stationed at refuges across the state.
7. Career areas include: biology, math—statistics and monitoring, technology—GPS/GIS, engineering and more.
8. Progress Reports
9. Derry — The State is hosting STEM town hall meetings. May 5 from 1:30-2:30 at Central College in Pella will be an important one, as the committee co-chairs will both be in attendance. Request: it be recorded for later broadcast.
10. Byron—Held high school science day on Monday. The Beaver Creek facility was open for all.
11. Henshaw—Attended the March 28 State STEM Conference and thought it was great.
12. McMahill—Attended the conference also and thought the student panel was great.
13. Sharpe—Worked with Cub Scouts at their awards banquet. The boys were very enthusiastic.
14. Pattison—Visited Camp in a Can and really enjoyed it.
15. Ernst—Mentioned STEM night at Central College in Pella and said the Core of Engineers is also sponsoring a STEM night.
16. Sharpe—Overviewed the Regional Board Chairs Meeting. The Board addressed the Hub Performance Rubric, Festival Policy, Residuals and Board Meetings.
17. Hub Performance Rubric—they are just starting to kick around ideas on how to get renewed.
18. Board Meetings—they are looking at how meetings operate.
19. Festival Policy—regions handle funds differently. The new cap is $20,000. Managers will be in charge of the festival, not sub-contracting.
20. Residuals—what will Hubs do with remaining funds. Looks like Hubs can pay for additional training, buying ahead supplies, pre-paying conference registrations and airline tickets, and pre-purchase kits.
21. New business
22. SC STEM Hubs Residual Funds
23. Remaining funds estimate. Suggestions for prioritizing their use?
24. Summary of priorities:
i. Professional development

ii. Educational resources

iii. Additional festival: Hour of Code at Drake

1. Scale-Up Application Recruitment 2014-15
2. The applications close May 2. Please pass along information to qualifying educators.
3. Timeline—We’re looking for volunteers to read applications. If we have enough, you’d only have to review for one specific program. Please check schedules for May 5-8.
4. Well over 50 people have started filling out materials.
5. iExplore policy—Next year, Hubs can only spend up to $20,000 next year.
6. This year the SC Hub was under the budgeted $12,000. All space was donated and most presenters donated supplies.
7. Possible sites for iExplore next year include: Ottumwa’s Indian Hills, Pella’s Central College, DMACC, Drake Relays, Bondurant.
8. Regional Advisory Board
9. On July 1, 5 spots open in the following areas: K-12 parents, Economic Development, Business and Industry, Elected Official and STEM Teacher
10. Derry would appreciate recommendations, so please encourage people to apply.
11. In June, we’ll honor those departing the Board.
12. Thank you to those who are currently serving. We appreciate your expertise and input.