**SC STEM Hub Advisory Board January Minutes**

**Date**: 1.14.2021

**Present**: Derry, Cox, Creighton, Cummings, Eysink, Ford, Garrett, Gomez, Hagge, Holmen, McCarthy, Mohr, Murphy, Pargmann, Schultz, Williams, Williams, Weld, Wise (P.I.)
**Guest**: Doug Allen
**Absent**: Andrews

**Location**: Virtual

1. Welcome by Dr. Sarah Derry
2. Scale-Up updates
3. Open through March 5
4. On the first day, we already have applications started, 5 from target districts
5. Discussion of targeted districts
6. Resource folder available for board members
7. Promo materials
8. List of districts
9. Schedule of informational webinars available for each Scale-Up and the application process.
10. Call for help with social media
11. Many new programs
12. Invigorated subject material
13. What can the Hub do to support?
14. Draft social media messages and add to the folder
15. Visit statewide AEA meetings and coordinate effort with other managers
16. What does success look like?
17. Focus on target districts
18. Goal: 80 percent of target districts, which is that of 18 of 23.
19. Is the application itself a barrier? If yes, how can we lower the barrier. Perhaps the application is important, as it shows clear intent to implement the resources.
20. Could we provide an application mentor? For example, could AEAs act as ambassadors in certain ways.
21. STEM budget discussion
22. 6.3 million dollars
23. 700,000 dollar increase to STEM BEST
24. Dr. Jeff Weld provided an update
25. Communicate priorities
26. Diversity, inclusion, equity
27. Teacher preparation and support
28. Career coaching via the counselors
29. STEM vs STEAM
30. Important future dates
31. Feb 4 – MEGA Meeting
32. Feb. 19—STEM at the Capital
33. April 29—STEM/FRI Summit
34. Year-end report overview
35. Provide feedback to committee chair
36. One goal is to secure more speaking engagements
37. One success is the Scale-Up selection process and huge increase of applicants, which is under Derry’s management.
38. Next meeting: MEGA meeting on Feb. 4 takes the place of the monthly regional meeting.