

RCRV BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 16, 2017
Hills Bank, Marion

Attendance: (underline indicates presence)

RCRV Board:

T. Lamb, J. McDonough, J. Green, T. Brennom, B. Clark, D. Grimm, E. Holstrom,
V. Jackson, J. Klein, D. Knuth, R. Lenth, A. Meyer, J. Murphy, K. Nelson,
B.Ocken, R. Pierce, F. Spading, J. Spencer, K. Sutherland, J. Vacherlon, J.
Wauer, C. Wehage, J. Wells, P. White, M. Wilson, J. Wirth

Community Service Agency Members:

<u>Lauri Mitchell</u>	Aging Services
<u>Kathy Waychoff</u>	College Community Schools
Unassigned	Four Oaks Bridge
Ann Griffin	Grant Wood AEA
Melissa Adams	Heritage Agency on Aging
Jessica Link	Cedar Rapids Public Library
<u>Wayne Clayton</u>	Options of Linn County
Al Boyden	Red Cross
Sherita Jenkins	Horizons/NTS
<u>Kayla Paulson</u>	RSVP & RCRV Membership
Allyson Schnoor	Salvation Army
Unassigned	Sixth Judicial District
Carole Dzingle	United Way
Hilery Livengood	United Way
<u>Angie Ehle</u>	WRAP
Karla Terry	Linn Mar Schools

Rockwell Collins:

Joan Schaffer, Grants Coordinator, Diversity & Community Relations

Guests: None present

Call To Order:

Dave Knuth presided and called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

Minutes: Don Grimm moved, Terry Lamb seconded, to accept the minutes from the January 18, 2017, RCRV Board of Directors meeting. Motion passed.

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Presentation:

Andy Marshall, FIRST Robotics

Andy shared that FIRST Robotics goal was to attract kids to technology and teaching them to work together as a team. Their core values are to 1) work as a team, 2) it is not about what we win but what we learn. This program inspires and creates rational self-esteem in participants and empowers students to take ownership.

Adult mentors and coaches are always needed. Andy directed RCRV members to go to their site at https://my.firstinspires.org/FIRSTPortal/Login/VMS_login.aspx and complete the profile and screening questions and authorization. Background checks are required to volunteer. There are two ways to volunteer, one as a judge at a one or two-day event or as a coach/mentor.

There are 50 teams in the greater Cedar Rapids area, 800 teams in Iowa and 25,000 teams nationwide. 4-H groups are involved as is a team from Imagination Iowa.

There will be a Coach/Mentor Training available on February 21st from 4:00-8:00 pm at the Kirkwood Linn County Regional Center on Boyson Road.

The Iowa STEM Scale Up for FIRST Robotics is supported by the Governor's Office. The FRC teams in Iowa have doubled this year.

Summer Camps are a great way for students to get a taste of FIRST Robotics. One camp at Linn Mar was run by students with adult supervision with 40 students participating.

Old Business:

No partner agency liaison reports to present.

New Business:

RCRV received a Pay It Forward award of \$300 and was asked to share that award with a local 501C3 non-profit agency. Moved by Mike Wilson, second by Don Grimm, to pass forward this award to Horizons with our appreciation of using their facility for meetings and providing refreshments.

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Partner Agency Reports:

Lauri Mitchell - Aging Services reported that they are still working with AmeriHealth on ramps. The lawn request mailing is going out soon along with the request for home projects.

Angie Ehle – WRAP reported that they finished 2016 with 80 projects (1 more than in 2015). So far this year 5 ramps have been completed with the possibility of 1 build tomorrow and perhaps another on Friday. The nice weather helps! A Design 101 and Design 201 class will be on a Thursday in March. The volunteer appreciation event will be held on Thursday, April 6.

Wayne Clayton – Options of Linn County reported that they currently have no active projects. The emphasize fitness and wellness with outdoor activities.

Kathy Waychoff – College Community Schools shared that the Prairie Point Lego League team recently won first place for Overall Core Values. The Future City State Competition was held at Point on January 21st. There have been a variety of clubs started at the intermediate (5th-6th) level as well as the middle school (7,8,9) level to encourage connectivity with school and peers. Some of these clubs include Archery, Trap Shooting and Chess. The Archery team hosted its first tournament at Prairie Point this spring.

Kayla Paulson – United Way 55+ and RCRV Membership shared a handout (attached). Kayla attended the Rockwell Women’s Forum Volunteer Fair. United Way’s Outstanding Volunteer Awards are accepting nominations. They are collecting projects and volunteer groups for Day of Caring on May 11.

Onboarding RCRV members on an as needed basis. Reporting of hours has increased. January statistics as well as annual comparisons were shared.

Joan Schaffer - Rockwell Collins shared that next week is Engineering Week and Rockwell has many activities planned to celebrate that week including special activities at the Children’s Museum at the Coral Ridge Mall on Saturday from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Rockwell employees are visiting schools with a STEM activity. There is a Career Fair being held at the Hotel Kirkwood on Monday. Tuesday is Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day where Rockwell welcomes middle school girls from the Cedar Rapids/Marion area. Monday there will be a Museum

Road Show in the 131 Building. Rockwell has received 67 Green Community Grant applications.

Other Business:

Dave Knuth announced that the Fall Insurance Conference will be held at the Kirkwood Regional Center on Boyson Road. The cost for the facility is \$200 which will be paid by Rockwell Collins.

Pay It Forward news will be aired on Sunday at 9:00 pm on KFXA News.

The RCRV Grant information has been posted online.

NEXT MEETING – MARCH 15 AT HORIZONS