WAES Board meeting, 9/17/14—

Present from the board: Fred Andrist, Ellen Lindgren, TJ Mertz, and Anna Moffit. Also present: Jackie Boynton, Tom Beebe, and Gina Palazzari

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm via phone conferencing.

Discussion of items that the Wisconsin Public Education Network (WPEN) had posed for the board.

The board is in agreement that Wisconsin Alliance for Excellent Schools (WAES) would be the fiscal agent for a coordinator to WPEN, with responsibility to and oversight by the WAES board.

Moved by Andrist, second by Mertz to hire Tom Beebe as a short-term consultant to WAES to continue obtaining funding for the coordinator position. Passed unanimously.

- Lindgren volunteered to work out contractual arrangements with Beebe.

Timeline agreed to, with the assumption that WAES has $50,000 on hand.

- Phase 1: ASAP—Hire Beebe to obtain funding for the coordinator position (with help from Andrist, Mertz, and Lindgren, supplemented by WPEN volunteers) and to continue coordinating WPEN meetings.
- Phase 2: By 11/15/14—Job description written and position posted (Lindgren and Boynton will work on finalizing job description, with input from the board and WPEN members, with the board having final authority).
- Phase 3: Beginning of December—Job interviews (Andrist, Lindgren, Moffit, Beebe, plus up to three WPEN members for interview team).
- Phase 4: No later than Jan. 1, 2015—hire new coordinator,

Checking account for WAES: Moved by Moffit, second by Mertz, to have Mertz and Lindgren open an account at UW Credit Union, and transfer the monies in the WAES account to this location. Passed unanimously.

Lindgren will continue to keep board updated on these processes. Many thanks to Beebe, Boynton, and Palazzari for their valuable input.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Lindgren