

PALO ALTO & KOSSUTH COUNTIES



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

Membership Committee Minutes

April 14th, 2008

At 1:30 at Prairie Lakes AEA in Algona

Mission:

- * Provide developmentally appropriate learning experiences for all children age's birth to five.
- * Provide training support to parents and other caregiver of the birth to five populations.
- * Prepare children age birth to five with the skills needed to learn to be ready to take advantage of educational opportunities and learn to the best of their ability.

Members Present

Roberta Anderson
Mike Orthel
Linda Tienter

Members Absent

Others Present

Paige Hollinger

*recorded absence

- I. Review Board Membership** – The committee reviewed present board membership according to clarification from the state Empowerment team on citizen members. Presently we have 50% + 1 members that qualify as citizens. Presently we fit according to the positions accounted for in our by-laws. There was discussion about proposing to change by-laws for more flexibility, requiring only what the state requires. Although we have a full board, we do have some members who may resign this year. It may be difficult to find board members to fill their specific slots which are not required by legislation.
- II. Board Job Description** – The committee reviewed a sample job description given from the state. The committee decided that the job expectations in the by-laws and the information given to new members with their orientation was sufficient at this time.
- III. Replace citizen board member** – Mike Orthel contacted a pastor from West Bend and received a name. Donna Bonnstetter is a retired teacher interested in serving on our board. Paige reported that she had talked with her and she was going to try to attend our next board meeting. The committee will suggest approving her as a board member at the next board meeting.

