

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022 11:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center.
Present: Chairperson Rogers and Vice Chairperson Zumbach (via phone - assisting an ill farmer w/ crop harvest). Absent: Supervisor Walker (personal business). Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Rogers called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve Consent Agenda as follows:

Approve and authorize Chair to sign a revised 28E Agreement between Cedar Rapids Community School District and Linn County Child Development Center Regarding Statewide Voluntary Preschool Program for Four-year old Children running Monday through Friday from August 1, 2022 to June 1, 2023 with a revised total of \$94,285.51.

Approve and authorize Chair to sign a Lease Agreement between Linn County and Willis Dady Homeless Services for use of the Linn County-owned building at 1017 12th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids as a winter overflow shelter.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve minutes of Oct. 31, Nov. 1 & 2, 2022 as printed.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve Claims for AP checks #71009017 - #71009075 in the amt. of \$96,169.72 and AP ACH in the amt. of \$1,565,118.56 for a total of \$1,661,288.28.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve the following Employment Change Roster (payroll authorizations):

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

GIS Specialist 38B \$29.58 – 38C \$31.14	Drew Fluaitt	Step increase/contract 11/15/22
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SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Deputy Sheriff	Austin Oates	Termination/resignation 11/11/22
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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Income Mtc 57D \$27.08 – 57E \$28.56	Laura Brade	Step increase/contract 12/14/22
Cook \$20.49	Diane Rowe	Step increase/contract 12/01/22 54B \$19.40 – 54C

JUVENILE DETENTION

Youth Counselor	Joseph Carmody	New hire – FT 11/14/22 36A \$24.48 New position
Cook 54D \$21.47 – 54E \$22.70	Nathaniel Derrick,	Step increase/contract 12/16/22
Tracker	Paige Richert	New hire – FT Eff Dte: 11/14/22 56A \$21.42 New position

PUBLIC HEALTH

Communication Specialist Bergen	Riley Cole,	New hire – FT 12/12/22 37A \$26.18 Replaces T.
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Public Comment:

Christina Akers, Cedar Rapids, stated that she wanted to bring the Board's attention to a situation involving DHS, Family Courts and the County Attorney. Her concern is what's going on with Child Welfare and DHS. She is not familiar with what the Board does and how funds are distributed but Family Courts and DHS have a huge problem with where funding goes and that is where the core problem is. They have more incentive to take kids and keep them. They are not upholding the duties that they have all sworn under oath. Instead they look at children as data on a piece of paper. She and her two children have endured the most criminal and disgusting acts by the very people they pay to uphold the law and to lead by example. The day when a mother and father have to protect their children from the very people that are there to protect them is unacceptable. She is not alone. She is speaking for thousands in Iowa and millions across the country. They have had enough with DHS, Family Court and the County Attorney and the way they illegally obtain children and daily violate multiple civil rights and fundamental liberties. The Board has the power to determine where that funding goes and she is asking them what they will do about the things that are going on. She has proof where these people have broken the law and lied under oath. She can't afford an attorney and explained what her court appointed attorney told her which included making a deal to sign over her infant son for adoption and she would get her daughter back. She does not want to give up her baby for her daughter noting that she has not seen her children for over a year.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to appoint Dan Louzek to the Juvenile Detention & Diversion Adv. Comm. for a term 1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026.

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Adjournment at 11:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Rebecca Shoop, Deputy Auditor

Approved by:

BEN ROGERS, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors