



**Our Mission:** The Sioux City Community School District exists to educate students to **believe** in their talents and skills, **achieve** academic excellence and **succeed** in reaching their potential.

Facilitator: April Tidwell

Recorder: Gloria James

The Teacher Quality Committee (TQ) met on Thursday, September 15, 2016, in the Educational Service Center, Professional Learning Center. Copies of the *agenda*, *May minutes*, *correspondence with Mr. Bruce Lear*, *past and proposed Iowa Core work* were available for distribution.

Committee Members Present: Sandra Cannon, Karlys Gries, Tim Foix, Deborah Padomek, Christine Poeckes, Kristine Snavelly, Julie Thiele, Emily Lloyd, John Beeck and Mary Motz.

Committee Members Absent: Charles Hoberg, Jim Vanderloo, Brian Burnight

#### 1. Minutes & Updates

A. Today's Agenda – review and approve agenda for today. Agenda reviewed and approved.

B. Minutes – review and approve minutes from May, 2016, meeting. Tim made the motion to accept the minutes as presented, Sandra seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### 2. Discussion Items and Action Items

A. Budget: Request use of Iowa Core for proposed curriculum work for 2016-2017 year. To facilitate the best use of funds, elementary specials will be the target this year, with secondary specials targeted next year. April will meet with Dr. Chalstrom to determine available funds.

B. TQ Funds 2016-2017 - Leadership Academy June, 2017 – Discussion ensued regarding three potential options; i.) Leadership Academy, June; ii.) Online courses or iii.) Blended option. The consensus was to investigate some variance of the first two options, giving staff the option to choose one or the other for pay, with also the option to attend both with pay for one or the other. Overwhelming opinion was to continue not utilizing Monday TQ PD. John moved and Tim seconded the motion for April to investigate the possibility of merging both options; she will update regularly as needed. Motion carried.

3. The next meeting of the *Teacher Quality Committee* will be Monday, November 7, 2016, at 9 A.M. in the Educational Service Center, Professional Learning Center, Room 105.