



Mitchell County Economic Development Commission

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Meeting Minutes: October 27, 2025

The Board of Directors for the MCEDC met in regular session on October 27, 2025, in person. Board members present: Larry Mork, Randy Marcks, Brock Waters, Nathan Kinter, Roger Hemann. Staff present: Jenny Backer and Kayla Zimmerman.

Roger Hemann called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Motion made by Marcks to approve the agenda; second by Waters, all ayes, motion passed. Motion made by Mork to approve September 29, 2025, meeting minutes, second by Marcks, all ayes, passed.

Director Backer provides treasurer's report of normal expenses. Waters moved to approve the July financial reports and August 2025 expenses; Second by Mork; all ayes, motion passed.

Expenses approved:

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| Mitchell County: Health Insur | 1522.00 |
| VEIT: IT | 392.21 |
| OMU | 97.00 |
| Webflow | 96.46 |
| Intuit | 87.50 |
| Mitchell County Recorder | 53.56 |
| Osage Rotary Club | 260.00 |
| USPS | 78.00 |
| Staples | 108.24 |
| Walk, Prichard, Maresel, & Murphy | 490.00 |

Backer reported that the Board of Supervisors approved our request for a dollar-for-dollar funding match of up to \$200,000. Letters have been sent out to businesses, individuals, and foundations requesting their consideration for a renewed partnership with this Childcare Initiative. The Childcare Coalition is also requesting \$50,000 from the Foundation for the Enhancement of Mitchell County in which they will consider at a future meeting. Director accepts an invitation from the NIACC Pappajohn Entrepreneurial Center and North Iowa SBC to serve as a Pappajohn SBDC Advisory Board Member for term 2026-2029.

Zimmerman reported a meeting attended for FEMC with the Iowa Area Development Group and Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines. There is a new grant program available for the FEMC to help fund operational costs. More information will be provided as FEMC board makes decisions about what to do moving forward.

Backer provided information regarding CLP application for Nathan Zuehl. Motion made by Mork to approve the CLP application and second by Marcks. All ayes. Motion passes.

Discussion for the election of officers:

Chair: Waters made a motion to elect Todd Frein for board chair and second by Marcks. All ayes, motion passes.

Vice-Chair: Motion made by Waters to elect Roger Hemann for board vice-chair and second by Marcks. All ayes, motion passes.

Current personnel committee is Mork, Hemann, and Marcks. It was decided to table the personnel committee discussion until all members present.

Kinter reported his term is up in January and a MCEDC board replacement will be needed at that time.

Motion by Waters to adjourn at 5:53 pm, second by Mork, all ayes, motion passed.

Signed: Todd Frein Title: CHAIR Date: 12/2/25
Printed Name: Todd Frein Printed Title: CHAIR

Signed: Jenny Backer Title: DIRECTOR Date: 12-2-25
Printed Name: Jenny Backer Printed Title: DIRECTOR