



UEN Superintendent & Steering Committee Meeting Agenda
September 22, 2023, 11am – 1pm
(following UEN Orientation from 10-11am)
West Des Moines Learning Resource Center, Community Room,
3550 Mills Civic Parkway, West Des Moines

UEN Purpose Statement:

The Urban Education Network keeps the state’s lawmakers, the media, and the public informed about the progress and problems in our state’s largest and most diverse schools. The organization does this through advocacy, legislation, communications and research.

The UEN also helps to build capacity in urban education by facilitating connections between member districts to improve student academic performance and narrow achievement gaps, improve professional development; and strengthen leadership, governance, and management.

In addition, joint efforts with other state organizations and policymakers extend the UEN’s influence and effectiveness outside member school districts to the broader community that will ultimately benefit from the contributions of today’s urban students.

All members of the Urban Education Network help determine program priorities. For guidance, the members rely upon data retrieved from local, state, regional and national sources. In addition, specific issues arise addressing contemporary events, legislative concerns and current trends. The priorities of the UEN continually evolve, reflecting the changing needs of urban students, families and communities.

- 1. Welcome, Call to Order by Matt Degner (UEN Chair) and Introductions**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Approval of Minutes from the Steering Committee on May 12, 2023**
- 4. Financial Reports**
 - a. Independent Auditors Report and IRS Form 990 for FYE 06/30/2023 – Robert Endress, Denman & Company**
 - b. FY 2024 YTD Financial Report & Corporate Sponsors**
- 5. Discussion with Iowa Department of Education Director Snow (11:30am – 12pm)**
- 6. 2024 UEN Legislative Priorities & Legislative Workgroup**
 - a. Legislative Issues Survey Results**
 - b. Recruit participants for the Legislative Workgroup**
 - c. 2024 Legislative Priorities**
- 7. Membership/Bylaws Workgroup Report**
- 8. UEN Annual Meeting – November 17, 2023**
 - a. Draft Agenda**
 - b. Networking Conversations**
 - c. Invitation & Registration - <https://www.uen-ia.org/uen-annual-meeting>**
- 9. Steering Committee Member/Superintendent Updates**

10. Other Business

11. Upcoming Meeting Dates - <https://www.uen-ia.org/calendar>

- **September 22, 2023 (1-3pm) – UEN Officers Discussion (in person, WDSM)**
- **October 20, 2023 (11:30-1) – Superintendents (via Zoom)**
- **November 15, 2023 (10-12:30) – Superintendents (in-person, WDSM)**
- **November 15, 2023 (noon-3) – Steering Committee (in-person, WDSM)**
- **November 15, 2023 (6-8:30pm) – Annual Meeting (in-person, Hilton Des Moines)**
- **December 15, 2023 (11:30-1) – Superintendents (via Zoom)**
- **February 9, 2024 (11-1) – Steering Committee (via Zoom)**
- **May 10, 2024 (11-3) – Steering Committee (in-person, TBD)**

12. Adjourn