



**Zumbro Education District  
Gifted and Talented Planning Committee Minutes**

**May 11, 2022**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**Present-** Those present were Becky Remmele & Janet Splinter, ZED; Denise Hadrath, Blooming Prairie; Sara Gillette, Hayfield; Aimee Johnson, Stewartville; and Laura Lee, Triton. Rebecca Newsom, Byron, Jennifer Kujath, Kasson-Mantorville, and Lisa Myran-Schutte, Pine Island, were absent.

**Review Minutes-** The December 8, 2021 meeting minutes were reviewed and no changes were made.

**Updates and Review of '21-'22 Programs-**

- **Creative Writing Contest-** The group discussed topics for next year and some possible photos and captions were reviewed. Becky will send these to those that were absent to get their opinion also. The time-line will stay the same with papers being due before MEA break.
- **Choral Fest-** The date and location for the '22-'23 choral fest is Monday, October 17, 2022 @ Byron.
- **Academic Triathlon-** There is no information from the state at this time in regards to '22-'23. Becky has sent emails but has not gotten a response. If Academic Triathlon is not held next year ZED will try to do some Melarian Mind Games with the assistance of Larry Stacy.
- **ZED Traveling Art Show-** The virtual art show was so well received last year that this year we had both the virtual and the traveling art show. Becky received some feedback that a few of the art pieces were not packaged properly. The schedule for next year has not been determined yet.
- **Science Fair-** The science fair was held Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at Stewartville Bear Cave Intermediate. RAD Zoo provided the two presentations. We had 104 students participate. Six of the seven ZED districts participated (Triton did not). The '22-'23 science fair is due to be held at Triton Schools. The group discussed the possibility of hosting the science fair at the new ZED Building. We will probably go with the Quarry Hill or Oxbow for the presentations next year.
- **ZED Summer Academy-** The ZED Summer Academy will run from June 13-17 at Triton High School. There are approximately 150 students registered, which is down even from last year. Five scholarships were given out this year that cover ½ of the registration fee for each of the recipients. Becky announced the classes being held this year. The group reviewed t-shirt colors and liked the Heather Navy or Irish Green color with a bright lettering.

**Meeting Schedule for '22-'23 –** September 14, 2022; December 14, 2022; March 8, 2023; and May 10, 2023. We might try a 1:30p.m. starting time next year but will check with everyone again in the fall.

**Other –** No other business discussed.