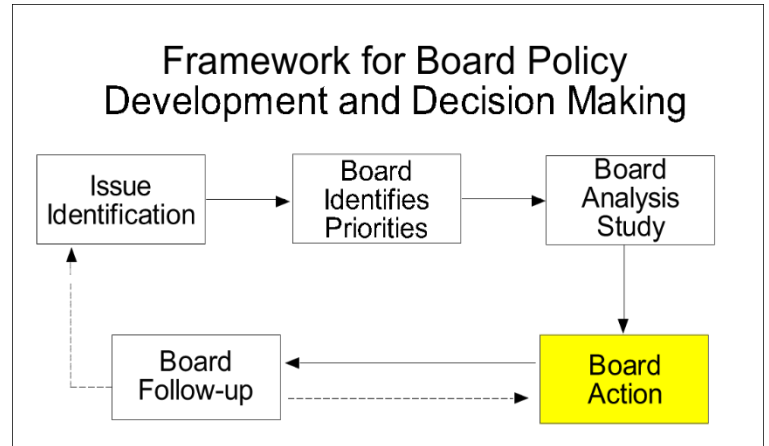


# Iowa State Board of Education

## Executive Summary

April 26, 2024



**Agenda Item:** Great Prairie Area Education Agency (AEA) Budget Review

**State Board Priority:** All

**State Board Role/Authority:** Iowa Code 273.3(12) requires the State Board to review the proposed budget of each area education agency (AEA) and either grant approval or return the budget without approval with comments of the State Board included. An unapproved budget shall be resubmitted to the State Board for final approval not later than May 15.

**Presenter(s):** Nathan Wood, Chief Administrator  
Great Prairie AEA

Dennis Gourley, Chief Financial Officer  
Great Prairie AEA

**Attachment(s):** One

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the State Board return the budget with comments and require Great Prairie AEA to do the following: (1) provide an assurance in writing, no later than the May 9, 2024 State Board meeting, that the AEA will construct a plan to balance the budget for fiscal year 2024-2025; (2) submit the balanced budget plan, approved by the AEA board, no later than September 1, 2024.

**Background:** Iowa Code 273.3(12) requires that the State Board review the proposed budget of each AEA and either grant

approval or return the budget without approval with comments by May 1. An unapproved budget shall be resubmitted to the State Board for final approval not later than May 15.