

Child Death Review Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes
February 16, 2026

COMMITTEE MEMBERS			
		x	Dennis Klein
	Ryan Baldrige – did not attend		Tammie Krausman - Excused
x	Emily Blomme		
	John Dagle – Excused	x	Casey Manser
x	Lisa DuFour	x	Amy McCormick
	Melissa Ellis did not attend		Matthew Burns - excused
	Jerry Fiala - Excused	x	Vera Wallican
x	Lori Frick	x	Dawn Schissel
x	Kim Gonzales		Abby Schueller
x	Amy Groen	x	Jonathan Thompson
	Chad Jensen - Excused	x	Marvin Vanderwiel
	Peter Johnson -did not attend	x	Melissa Walker
	Dennis Kleen - Excused		Kelly Wandishion - excused
Staff and Guests			
x	Analisa Pearson, CDR Coordinator		
x	Kaitie Smith, CDR Abstractor		
x	Jennifer Pham		

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Van Der Wiel called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM

2. Roll Call

Chair conducted a roll call as indicated above; a quorum was not present.

Discussed clarification from legal on being able to move into closed session with unanimous consent from members who are in attendance.

3. Approval of Minutes was moved to next meeting to April 6, 2026 due to lack of quorum.

4. Discussed 2025 CDR recommendations

Members prioritized a subset of the infant sleep-related recommendations and affirmed the set of recommendations that will move forward to the State Mortality Review Committee from the creation of the Child Death Review Subcommittee in June through the end of calendar year 2025. Attachment to meeting minutes February 2026.

5. Public Comment

No members of the public wished to comment.

6. Closed Session

The committee voted to enter closed session to review and analyze confidential death data, including death certificates, patient records, and other confidential records and information deemed appropriate for use in preparing an annual report to the governor and general assembly concerning the causes and manner of deaths as outlined in Iowa Code §§ 135.43 and 135.111, and protected by Iowa Code § 21.5.

Schissel moved to enter closed session under the legal authorities outlined above, seconded by Thompson.

Roll Call Vote

Bloome, DuFour, Frick, Gonzales, Groen, Klein, Manser, McCormick, Wallican, Schissel, Schueller, Thompson, Vanderwiel, Walker,

Members logged into closed session at 11:00 AM and discussed aggregate data, case discussions, and prevention recommendations based upon current cases.

Members re-entered open session at 2:18 PM.

7. Adjournment

DuFour moved to adjourn, seconded by Schissel. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 2:21 PM.