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**FACULTY PRESENTATION AT THE IOWA BRAILLE AND SIGHT SAVING SCHOOL**  
**“STEM FOR STUDENTS WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS”**

**Action Requested:** Receive the presentation.

**Executive Summary:** Ms. Sara Larkin will highlight efforts to increase opportunities, awareness, and access to STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) course curricula for Iowa students with visual impairments.

Ms. Larkin has a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics Education from the University of Northern Iowa and a Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction from Concordia University. She is currently working on her Ed.D. in special education. Ms. Larkin taught high school math, computer programming, and Cisco networking in the general education and college settings for 18 years before becoming the Math Consultant for the Iowa Statewide Vision Services. She has organized and facilitated multiple workshops and summer school sessions for students with visual impairments in the areas of mathematics and science.