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Brian Sander was a classmate at ISU, a colleague at The Engineering Dept., and my supervisor at General Magic. Brian has worked with ISU on multiple occasions consulting on entrepreneurship and social networking in the Bay Area.

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Mark Kittrell is a community leader, technology entrepreneur and real estate developer in the Cedar Falls community. I have known Mark for over 15 years and have sought his advice on all my efforts to transfer technology business to the Cedar Falls area.

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Steve Jennings is a Teacher (University of Iowa), Director, CTO, Developer and community leader for the Entertainment Industry. I worked with Steve on new technology to 3D print and robot automation for stop-motion animation puppets. The project was "Robomotion" and was partially funded through an Iowa Demonstration Grant.

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Kris Hansen is a community leader and real estate developer in the Cedar Falls community. Kris is working on what I think is the largest opportunity for Iowa and the Nation, Retirement Community Living. I have high confidence I will be working with Kris on future projects.

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Dr. Paul Gray (Doc) taught at UNI and I worked with 'Doc' on multiple projects in the Waterloo / Cedar Falls area. Doc's insight and guidance, especially in the "Open Source" community, has influenced the strategic planning of many technology projects. I consider 'Doc' family and will always seek his guidance when possible.

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Dr. Wendell Sander is an ISU ECpE inaugural 2019 Hall of Fame inductee. I've known Wendell for most of my life and have worked with him on multiple projects over my 2 decades in the "Silicon Valley" area.

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Keith Kutz was a classmate at Converse Floor in Friley Hall at ISU from 1980-1985. Keith can best explain to ISU staff what I mean when I talk about "extended family".

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Daniel Kottke was an early Apple employee. I have worked with Daniel on multiple projects over 3 decades mostly in the "Silicon Valley" area. Daniel is currently working on technology I hope to import into Iowa for use on Kris's project.

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Dr. Vivan Jennings has a deep history with ISU and USDA. I have known Vivan for most of my life and have worked with him on various State and Federal Grants for Iowa based businesses.