

**ADDISON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Date: September 20, 2018

Present: Marie Jewett, Stephanie Pope, David Estes, Caroline Carpenter, Valerie Capels, Matt Curran, Mark Bellinger, Bill Townsend, Kathleen Ramsey, Ron Crawford

Also Present: Fred Kenney, Executive Director
Elizabeth Burdine, Director of Finance

Absent: John Kiernan, Bob Feuerstein, Sarah Morris, Jeff Fritz, Sas Stewart

Call to Order:

Marie Jewett called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

Approve Minutes of July 19, 2018 Board Meeting, as amended:

Caroline Carpenter moved to approve the minutes of the July 19 meeting with an amendment indicating that Valerie Capels was present. Valerie Capels seconded the motion. **Vote:** All in favor

Executive Director Report

- Participated in Governor's visit to UTC
- Arranged five business visits for Agency of Commerce during Capital for the Day and set up morning Opportunity Zone meeting and afternoon business roundtable.
- BGS awarded almost \$50,000 to Addison County projects, including \$20,000 to ACEDC for Vt Tree Goods; ADEDC assisted United Way and Makery with applications. United Way was funded.
- ACEDC was not awarded USDA grant for Food Hub
- Upcoming events:
 - Brownfield redevelopment Workshop: Today
 - Candidate Forums: Oct 3, 10, and 17
 - Cyber Security Workshop: Oct 24
 - Business Finance Workshop: Nov 9
 - Board meeting with Legislators: Nov 15
 - Annual Meeting: Dec 7

Discussions:

Board discussed and debriefed on business roundtable with the Governor, members only mixer, and workforce development summit

ACRPC Cross Representation: Ron Crawford will be leaving the board of ACRPC so will no longer be their rep to the ACEDC board. Board suggested that Fred approach Bob Feuerstein to become the cross representative. Ron Crawford anticipates joining ACEDC individually and continuing engagement with his committee assignment.

Discussion: ED Evaluation Process

- Kathleen Ramsey suggested initial queries to the board by Survey Monkey followed by in-person meeting with the Executive Committee. Discussion ensued as to whether such survey should be anonymous. Caroline Carpenter suggested such survey could be optional named or anonymous.

Business Roundtable Discussion

- Vision for Vermont and Heady Vermont meeting highlights;
- New real estate construction projects and Act 250 issues;
- Upcoming local events.

Adjournment:

- Marie Jewett moved to adjourn the meeting. Matt Curran seconded. **Vote:** All in favor.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Burdine