



MINUTES

FVWDB Board of Directors Meeting

2:30 pm Thursday, October 19, 2023

The Burial Chamber Screampark Complex, 500 N. Lake Street, Neenah, WI

Members Present: Chair Laura Biehn, Vice Chair Dale Walker, Immediate Past Chair Brian Kaminske, Amy Groshek, Aimee Hostettler, Josh Kilgas, Jennifer Marks, Jose Martinez, Jeff Mikorski, Melina Roeder, and Craig Wehner.

Members Excused: Secretary Sarah Pantol, Treasurer Jo Ann Hall, Tony Beregszazi, Dustin Delsman, Brad Grant, Russ Haase, Jason Hendricks, Rob Kleman, Amanda Kopetsky, Larry Lautenschlager, and Debra Warga.

Others Present: Anthony Snyder – FVWDB.

Meeting Call to Order: Chair Biehn called the Board of Directors to order at 2:37 pm.

Approval of Meeting Agenda (*Action Item*): Ms. Biehn introduced the agenda. **Motion by Mr. Martinez, and seconded by Mr. Walker, to approve the agenda as presented; motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes from 9/21/23 Executive Committee Meeting (*Action Item*): Ms. Biehn presented the meeting minutes. **Motion by Mr. Walker, and seconded by Ms. Marks, to approve the minutes from the 9/21/23 Executive Committee Meeting as presented; motion carried.**

Self-Introductions of All Board Members: This being the first in person meeting since February 2020, each attendee introduced themselves and shared some information about their employer.

FVWDB Board Update: Mr. Snyder shared with the Board updates on recent activities and shared items of importance to the board, including:

- a. **Program Year 2023 Initiatives** – Focus on possible rebranding and new grants.
- b. **Committee Assignments** – Board members and non-board members sought for membership on our Strategic Programs and Finance & Personnel Committees.
- c. **Business Solutions Group Strategic Planning** – Shared the work of this committee and acknowledged FVWDB Business Solutions Manager Bobbi Miller's, 18-year work anniversary.
- d. **Future of the Fox Cities Job Center – Menasha** – Discussed plan to relocate this center to Oshkosh when the lease ends on 6/30/24.
- e. **Financial Reports** – Reviewed the August 2023 Financial Reports.

Round Robin Sharing: Ms. Biehn led a discussion of workforce issues among Board members.

Burial Chamber Presentation and Tour: Mr. Snyder shared some of the economic contributions of “haunted house” attractions in the USA and introduced Mr. Matt Mars, owner of The Burial Chamber. Mr. Mars discussed the recruitment, training and retaining of workforce staff for his facility. The meeting wrapped up with behind-the-scenes tour of the facility.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

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