

DACC Board Meeting Minutes						
24-Jun-20			8:30 a.m.		Virtual	
Meeting called by	Chairman, Kerry Bridges					
Type of meeting	Board Meeting					
Facilitator	Chairman, Kerry Bridges					
Note taker	Anita Patel					
Adjourned	9:50 AM					
Board Attendance	Mark Wills	Y	Rick Evans	Y	Phil Gaffney	Y
	Hugh Hollar	Y	Jean Garniewicz	Y	Stan Shepherd	Y
	Ron Thigpen	y	Kerry Bridges	Y	Christina Purkapile	Y
Staff/Guests	Robbie Bennett, Taylor Edwards, Anita Patel, Chris Driver, Dr. Tom Clark, Tammy Shepherd, Mark Hodges					
Meeting Agenda						
<1 minute(s)	Chairman, Kerry Bridges					
Discussion	Kerry Bridges called the meeting to order. The agenda was amended with two items added to "New Business." The agenda of the June 24, 2020 meeting was approved.					
Conclusions	Motion: Phil Gaffney. Second: Ron Thigpen Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)					
Action Items			Person Responsible		Deadline	
N/A			N/A		N/A	
Minutes of Previous Meeting						
<1 minute(s)	Chairman, Kerry Bridges					
Discussion	The minutes of the May 29, 2020 meeting were approved.					
Conclusions	Motion: Phil Gaffney. Second: Ron Thigpen. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)					
Action Items			Person Responsible		Deadline	
DACC Financial Report						
5 minute(s)	Rick Evans					
Discussion	Rick Evans reviewed the May 2020 Financials with the Board sharing that Total Liabilities and Net Assets are: \$6,650,544.44. Business development activities are under budget but these will be made up next year with the post-pined Masters Tournament as well as other business development activities. Administrative and personnel categories are on track for the eleventh month of the fiscal year. A motion was made to approve May 2020 financials as submitted. Motion: Phil Gaffney. Second: Christina Purkapile. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)					
Conclusions	None					
Action Items			Person Responsible		Deadline	
None			N/A		N/A	

<b>Chairman's Report</b>			
5 minute(s)	Kerry Bridges		
Discussion	<p>Kerry Bridges thanked the Board and Staff for their leadership. The activity of the first half of 2020 was reviewed. The goals for the second half of 2020 were reviewed with the board which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Martinez TAD Framework</li> <li>- Product Development</li> <li>- Marketing</li> <li>- Recovery</li> <li>- Regional Workforce Study</li> </ul>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
<b>DACC Committee Reports</b>			
5 minute(s)	Jean Garniewicz		
Discussion	<p>Business Recruitment &amp; Incentives Program Committee</p> <p>Jean Garniewicz shared that the committee met on June 3, 2020 and had lengthy discussions on updating all marketing projects (websites, fold-out piece, monthly newsletters/emails), RFP for Martinez TAD, "Up" Industry Video, Talent recruitment strategies and recovery through the pandemic.</p>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
<b>Economic Development Update</b>			
17 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett, Taylor Edwards		
Discussion	<p>Robbie Bennett shared the Economic Development Director's report and Taylor Edwards shared the Economic Development Coordinator/Project Manager report. Both of these reports are attached to the minutes.</p> <p>Robbie shared that DACC is working with the Columbia County landscaping architect for the White Oak Business Park, that the option agreement for phase 2 of the park has been extended, marketing will be updated, the Regional Workforce Study . Taylor Edwards updated the Board that the COVID 19 recovery survey had good participation, Existing Industry support webinar was well-received, that she is looking for alternative Industry appreciation ideas in lieu of the events that have been cancelled due to the pandemic, Labor study, Nextsite 360 year review, Awards submission competition, and GRAD certification submission.</p>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
<b>Old Business</b>			
0 minute(s)	None		
Discussion			
Conclusions			
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	

New Business			
27 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		
Discussion	<p>Robbie discussed the insurance policy options for DACC and the board reviewing the difference between adding additional coverage versus purchasing an independent policy. He shared that the Foundation will require a separate policy and that ACCG can only cover local government and dedicated authority.</p> <p>New job descriptions were shared with the board for the Small Business Retail Specialist and the part-time bookkeeper position. The positions have been approved from a budgetary standpoint.</p> <p>Free Standing ER Letter of Support - discussion of providing a letter of support for a free standing ER from the Development Authority.</p>		
Conclusions	<p>Motion was made to adopt the job descriptions for Part-Time Bookkeeper and Small Business Retail Specialist. Motion: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Christina Purkapile. Motion carries unanimously (9-0).</p> <p>Motion to provide a letter of support from DACC for a free standing ER. Motion: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Christina Purkapile. Motion carries unanimously (9-0).</p> <p>Motion to recommend award the contract for the Martinez TAD consultation/research study to the Bleakley Advisory Group/Denton Law Firm. Motion: Hugh Hollar. Second: Jean Garniewicz. Motion carries unanimously (9-0).</p>		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
None		N/A	N/A
Calendar of Events			
2 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		
Discussion	<p>July 8 - Executive Committee Meeting</p> <p>July 10 - Property Development Committee and Existing Business &amp; Workforce</p> <p>July 22- DACC Board Meeting</p>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
None		N/A	N/A

Public Comments			
12 minute(s)	Dr. Tom Clark		
Discussion	<p>Tammy Shepherd, President of the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce, shared that TSPLOST passed in the recent election by 70.9 % vote. She shared that it is a great win for Columbia County at \$204 million will be available to better our county's thoroughfares. The "Cards for Caring" program has given 75 gift cars to all 3 hospitals with an additional 40 to be distributed soon. The recovery survey is ongoing well with DACC collecting and compiling the information that is received.</p> <p>Dr. Tom Clark shared that training and construction continue at the Installation. Army Cyber's move will continue to move to the region with General Fogarty on the installation by July. The Fort Gordon Alliance website has created a link for Cyber Jobs and organizations - which covers 7 counties and 2 states. Colonel Clifford 's change of command will be on July 17, 2020. There is a video dropbox for people to leave him and his family virtual messages.</p> <p>Mark Hodges with R.D. Brown Contactors shared that the Gateway Park with a splash pad was finished in the Spring and has been well-received. Pollard's Corner has a new visitors station, they have subcontracting work with Amazon and Friday at 4pm will be the grand opening of the Amphitheater project in N. Augusta and all are invited to attend.</p>		
Conclusions			
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Closed Session			
0 minute(s)	None		
Discussion	<p>Motion to enter Closed Session: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Hugh Hollar. The motion passed unanimously. (8-0)</p> <p>Motion To Exit Closed Session: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Christina Purkapile. Motion carries unanimously (8-0).</p>		
Conclusions	Chris Driver shared that two property matters were discussed, nothing further to report. No action will be taken.		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A		
Adjournment			9:50
Conclusions	There was a motion to adjourn the May 29, 2020 Board Meeting at 9:50 am. Motion: Stan Shepherd. Second: Rick Evans. Motion carries unanimously (9-0).		
Next meeting: July 22, 2020	DACC Conference Room	All	