

KALAMAZOO COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: Thursday, May 28, 2009
PLACE OF MEETING: County Administration Building
MINUTES

Present were: Marc Hatton, Robert Barnard, Thell Woods, Clare Annen, Ken Peregón, Julie Rogers, Ruth Blake, Matthew VanDyk,
Absent: Katrina Schuur
Ex-officio: George Cochran, Kalamazoo Township
Staff Support: Lotta Jarnefelt, David Artley, Jeff Hawkins (consultant)
Recording Secretary: Tracy Free

- I. Meeting called to order – by Chair Mr. Woods at 5:26 pm
- II. On April 26, 2009 Art Hoekstra sent an email to Lotta Jarnefelt letting her know that due to his busy schedule he is resigning from EDC meetings. A copy of the email was handed out at the meeting.

Julie Rogers made a motion to accept the resignation of Art Hoekstra. Marc Hatton seconded the motion.
- III. An introduction of Leroy Crabtree was given.
- IV. Approval of Minutes:
The following corrections were made to the April 23, 2009 minutes: (1) Page 4, number V. B 3. the name PCL Curtis was misspelled. (2) The phase II of project was \$250,000.

Julie Rogers made a motion to accept the corrected April 23, 2009 minutes. Ruth Blake seconded the motion. The motion carried with 100% approval.
- V. Citizens Comments
None to report.
- VI. Staff Report
None to Report
- VII. Event – Economic Development. Education. Employment
 - A. Date of Event: Friday, May 1, 2009 from 8am to 11:30
 - B. Attendees
 1. There were 44 attendees at the event
 2. 34 attendees said that they would attend next year
 - C. Next event is scheduled for September 09 and will most likely be on the 25th
 1. SW Michigan first will be responsible for payment of event
 2. A Panel of Educational Representatives will be present to include WMU, and KVCC

VIII. Other –
A. Information Report

Marc Hatton made a motion for an information report to be created that would help set a course with a strategic plan in place for the EDC Committee. Leroy Crabtree seconded the motion.

IX. Board Member Comments

Julie Rogers made an observation at the EDC Event that there was not a good representation from the Board.

X. Adjournment

Leroy Crabtree made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm.
Marc Hatton seconded the motion. The motion carried with 100% approval.

The next Meeting is Thursday, June 25, 2009 @ 4:00 pm in Room 207A.

PLEASE CALL 384-8304 OR EMAIL DPARTL@KALCOUNTY.COM IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MEETING. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE A QUORUM. Thank You!