



Development Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia
d.b.a.
Decide DeKalb Development Authority

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DECIDE DEKALB DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

Date: June 13th, 2024
Time: 11:30 AM
Location: Teleconference via Zoom
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Board Members Present:

Don Bolia, Chair
Kevin Gooch, Vice- Chair
Andrew Greenberg, Board Member
David Moody, Board Member

Robert Patrick, Board Member

Board Members Absent

Ann Hanlon, Board Member
Miranda Mack McKenzie, Secretary
Rebekah Coblenz, Board Member
Alan Ferguson, Board Member

Legal Counsel Present

Ansly Moyer, Arnall Golden Gregory LLP

Staff Members Present

Dorian DeBarr, President
Randi Mason, VP, Economic Development
Terra Washington, VP, Marketing & Communications
Sunny Anderson, Senior Business Attraction Manger
Amanda McAbee, Director, Accounting & Finance
Jenee Williams, HR Coordinator/Office Manager
Laura Ramos, Marketing Manger
Courtney Haynes, Executive Assistant
Shelbia Jackson, Director, DeKalb Entertainment Commission

Others Present

Beth Ganga, BOC
Grace Donnelly, Decaturish
James Bence, Mauldin & Jenkins
Kwasi Obeng, BOC
Demetrius McCoy, BOC

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The June meeting of the Decide DeKalb Development Authority was called to order at 11:34am on Thursday, June 13th, 2024, by teleconference via Zoom.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bolia presided.

II. ITEMS FOR DECISION

A. Approval of May 2024 Board Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Greenberg made a motion to approve the May Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Gooch seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

B. Approval of April 2024 Financials:

Ms. McAbee presented the April 2024 financials.

Current assets are as follows: Cash \$1.11m, Total investments \$1.5m, Accounts Receivable \$671k.

Ms. McAbee advised that the budget is being reviewed and mid-year adjustments are underway and will be presented at a future meeting.

Mr. Gooch made a motion to approve the April 2024 financials. Mr. Patrick seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

C. Approval of 2023 Financial Audit:

Mr. James Bence, Mauldin & Jenkins presented the 2023 audit to the board, delivering an unmodified “clean” report and noting the full cooperation received from the staff. He subsequently reviewed the financial results and trends, as well as updates in the accounting industry that will be pertinent for the 2024 financial audit.

The board commended the Authority for maintaining a clean report consistently over the past eight years.

Mr. Greenberg made a motion to approve the 2023 Financial Audit. Mr. Gooch seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

D. Approval of 2023 Incentive Compensation:

Decide DeKalb Development Authority’s Annual Employee Incentive Policy is based on the organization’s yearly performance metrics. Awards are based on both financial and organizational goals. This incentive policy is designed to align employee compensation with organizational performance.

Mr. DeBarr reported that in 2023 the Authority generated \$200m in capital investment, 100 leads, 40 projects, and 15 wins exceeding all goals by 239%.

The personnel committee met to discuss and recommended for board approval.

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Mr. Patrick made a motion to approve the 2023 Incentive Compensation. Mr. Greenberg seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

III. Discussion:

A. President's Report:

President DeBarr presented the President's Report highlighting DDDA's current standing: 75 new and retained jobs, \$36m in investment and 50 BRE visits.

In Business Development, Decide DeKalb hosted a weeklong series of events in observation of Economic Development Week, which featured acknowledgment and celebration of our valuable stakeholders and board members. Some of the events included, Sunset in DeKalb, Made in DeKalb Graduation Ceremony, Entertainment Industry Mixer and more.

In marcom, Fox 5 picked up a clip of President speaking at State of DeKalb earning over \$19k in earned media. He was also a guest on the Rashad Richey Morning Show kicking off Economic Development week.

The team attended State of DeKalb where CEO Thurmond delivered his final address and President DeBarr spoke at the event highlighting DeKalb businesses.

Two positions are currently vacant, and President DeBarr urged board members to share the position with any viable candidates or send them to the team.

A copy of the full President's Report and all Fact Sheets presented to the Board are included in the meeting file.

The Decide DeKalb Development Authority Board Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:23 p.m.