



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, December 2, 2016

10 am – 12 pm

Nicolet College NC 208, Rhinelander, Wisconsin

Teleconference Meeting

Attendees:

Angie Close, Bob Egan, Paul Ehrfurth, Wendy Gehlhoff, Nicole Justa, Roger Luce, Ken Maule, Vicky Oldham, Collette Sorgel

1. The meeting was called to order at 10 am on Friday, December 2, 2016.
2. A motion was made to approve the Agenda (**Exhibit A**) as printed, Roger Luce, seconded, Bob Egan. **Motion carried.**
3. A motion was made to approve the October 24, 2016 Executive Committee (EC) meeting minutes (**Exhibit B**) as printed, Bob Egan, seconded, Paul Ehrfurth. **Motion carried.**
4. Potential Funding Projects Discussion:
 - a. Supply Chain Marketplace Forest Products request for funding consideration: EC members will attend a meeting on 12/12/16 and will receive more details regarding this request, and will share outcomes with the rest of EC after.
 - b. InspireWisconsin request for funding consideration: Paul suggested a presentation on InspireWisconsin at the Friday, January 6, 2017 BOD meeting at either 11:30 am or 12:30 pm. He will make arrangements.
 - c. MadREP Gold Shovel Program request for funding consideration: Collette will arrange a presentation on this program for the Friday, January 6, 2017 BOD meeting at 12 pm.
5. Treasurer's Update: A motion was made to approve the financial statement (**Exhibit C**) as presented, Collette Sorgel, seconded, Paul Ehrfurth. Motion carried.
 - a. The budget was discussed and updated to reflect planned initiatives and will be presented to the full BOD for approval on Friday, January 6, 2017.
 - i. A motion was made to tentatively approve the InspireWisconsin funding request for \$5,000 and have a presentation at the January BOD meeting, Bob Egan, seconded, Vicky Oldham. **Motion carried.**
 - ii. A motion was made to tentatively approve the MadREP Gold Shovel Program funding request for \$5,000 and have a presentation at the January BOD meeting, Bob Egan, seconded, Vicky Oldham. **Motion carried.**
 - iii. A motion was made to request that Roger and Collette work with Sandy Bishop at Nicolet College to redefine the contracted work and in-kind work performed by the college, Bob Egan, seconded, Nicole Justa. **Motion carried.**
 - b. Roger Luce formally agreed to remain in his capacity as Grow North Treasurer through the end of the 2016/17 fiscal year.
6. Top Project Updates from Working Committees:
 - a. Workforce Development – Derek Heikkinen, Chair. No update.
 - b. Forestry/Rail – Wendy Gehlhoff, Chair. Gave an update.
 - c. Broadband – Roger Luce, Chair. Gave an update.
 - d. Marketing/PR – Angie Close, Chair/Collette Sorgel, Co-chair. Gave an update.
 - e. Entrepreneurship – Bob Egan, Chair. Gave an update; all is progressing well.

- f. Administrative/Bookkeeping – Paul Ehrfurth, Chair. It was decided this initiative has been completed and this committee will be discontinued from this point on.
- 7. By-Laws Committee Update – This committee will meet on December 15, 2016.
- 8. Organizational Structure:
 - a. The organizational structure going forward was discussed, and it was agreed to revisit this topic in March, 2017. Vicky offered to put together a newsletter/update to (tentatively) distribute at the beginning of 2017.
- 9. County Updates:
 - a. Discussion about counties not currently participating in meetings. It was decided to revisit this at another time.
 - b. County/member updates were given.
- 10. Motion to adjourn at 11:58 am, Bob Egan, seconded, Collette Sorgel. **Motion carried.**

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