

DACC Board Meeting Minutes						
19-Dec-18				7:31 a.m.	DACC Conference Room	
Meeting called by	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Type of meeting	Board Meeting					
Facilitator	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Note taker	Anita Patel					
Adjourned	8:28 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, Anita Patel, Taylor Edwards, Chris Driver, Dr. Tom Clark					
Meeting Agenda						
1 minute(s)	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Discussion	Agenda of December 19th, 2018 meeting approved with the correction of removing any items under "Old Business."					
Conclusions	Mark Wills made a motion to accept the agenda with corrections. Second: Rick Evans. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)					
Action Items				Person Responsible		Deadline
None				N/A		N/A
Minutes of Previous Meeting						
1 minute(s)	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Discussion	Minutes of November 28, 2018 meeting approved.					
Conclusions	Mark Wills made a motion to accept the minutes of DACC November 2, 2018 as presented. Second: Rick Evans. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)					
Action Items				Person Responsible		Deadline
None				N/A		N/A
DACC Financial Report						
5 minute(s)	Rick Evans					
Discussion	Rick Evans reviewed November 2018 Financial reports. Total assets are \$6,638,160.94. Net assets are -\$1,159,105.16. DACC is on track with the remaining for the fiscal year.					
Conclusions	A motion was made by Kerry Bridges to accept the November 2018 financials as presented. Second: Ron Thigpen. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)					
Action Items				Person Responsible		Deadline
None				N/A		N/A
Chairman's Report						
0 minute(s)	None					

Discussion			
Conclusions			
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
DACC Committee Reports			
10 minute(s)	None		
Discussion	<p>Hugh Hollar shared that Executive committee met and approved the DACC staff/personnel merit and cost of living increases as approved by the county. Contracts for Taylor Edwards and Anita Patel were approved and signed for 2 years.</p> <p>Jean Garniewicz presented the Business Recruitment Committee report stating that the committee discussed an annual report to be presented yearly, the folding booklet as a marketing piece, the monthly DACC Newsletter which was sent via email and the TAD/Redevelopment powers. A motion was made to approve the funding of the folding booklet.</p>		
Conclusions	Jean Garniewicz made a motion to approve the \$7500 for development of the Columbia County overview booklet to be completed by February 2019. Second: Phil Gaffney. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Economic Development Update			
6 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		

Discussion	<p>Robbie Bennett informed the board that the Club Car's IRB is complete and the closing payment has been received/deposited and will be reflected in the December financial report. Club Car should be receiving the TCO and CO by the end of next week. SR47-Applying Harlem Highway should be complete January 21st. Detention pond will be addressed as well. Due Diligence is complete on Phase 1 and being conducted on Phase 2. There is a great deal of interest in White Oak. This year there have been 90 consultant touches, 35 projects -small and large. Wins include Club Car, Strand (who won the Small Business Rock Star award and is a growing existing industry); existing industries like Deere and Serta have an all time high for employment.</p>		
	<p>HR Roundtable is up and running thanks to Taylor. An average of 5 to 7 Columbia County businesses and 2 to 3 Richmond county businesses attend.</p>		
	<p>Key goals from our strategic plan are being met including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DACC monthly newsletter which was emailed by Taylor this month - Redevelopment powers - County gateway signage which was led by the CVB - Capital campaign feasibility study - DACC was tasked to identify 1000 acres for a business park, DACC has identified over 1200 acres - County unified brand - "Choose Columbia County" landing page 		
	<p>Work on Innovation Parkway up to the right of way is finished. Despite 75 days of rain and 2 hurricanes, with the help of the State delegation, PSC, DACC Board, County and all of the other entities involved, everyone has worked together to help establish White Oak Business Park at I-20.</p>		
	<p>Kerry Bridges congratulated Robbie and the DACC staff on their hard work. Hugh Hollar commented that we are on the map again and moving forward with great momentum and that Robbie was the glue in getting all entities, from the builder to the company to the county, to work together and bring this project to this point. He stated that this would be a great case study to write at some point. Hugh also stated that Taylor has kept social media updated every week and thanked Anita for her work on the Capital Campaign.</p>		
Conclusions			
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
None		N/A	N/A
Old Business			
0 minute(s)	None		
Discussion	None		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
None		N/A	N/A
New Business			
15 minute(s)	None		

Discussion	<p>Convergent Solutions has recommended to DACC to have a Capital Campaign name as well as a name for the 501(c)3. Executive Committee held lengthy discussion on this topic and have suggested the following: Capital Campaign name: "Develop Columbia County - Harnessing Opportunity" 501(c)3 name: "Develop Columbia County Foundation"</p> <p>White Oak Signage - anticipating a bid package by the end of the week. No pricing has been provided. Local bid is anticipated from AAA signs.</p> <p>Robbie shared that the lower half of timber has been cleared at the site and recommends addressing the underbrush in the spring, either through a controlled burn or spraying. Pricing quotes and recommendation to be provided at a later meeting.</p>	
Conclusions	<p>Kerry Bridges made a motion to accept "Develop Columbia County - Harnessing Opportunity" as the Capital Campaign name. Second: Ron Thigpen. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)</p> <p>Kerry Bridges made a motion to accept " Develop Columbia County Foundation" as the 501(c)3 name for the capital campaign. Second: Stan Shepherd. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)</p>	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Research the possiblity of water touwer in White Oak.	Robbie	N/A
Calendar of Events		
<1 minute(s)	Hugh Hollar	
Discussion	Hugh Hollar stated that the next DACC Board Meeting is scheduled for (1/23/19).	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Public Comments		
45 minute(s)	Dr. Tom Clark	
Discussion	<p>Dr. Tom Clark shared that there was an article in the newspaper from the alliance summarizing the year. He shared that Fort Gordon will start holiday "block leave" and everyone will be back on post full-time on 1/3/2018. The Commanding General will have a New Year's drop-in event. The Alliance is a 501(c)3 and they would be glad to offer any assistance to DACC in setting up the capital campaign's foundation. He shared a brochure with current data from Fort Gordon and he will bring more copies at the next meeting. Dr. Clark congratulated Stan Shepherd on his medal for lifelong support of the community and the installation. Stan Shepherd shared information about the Cyber Patriot program, which is an Air Force program. The District is now a Patriot Cyber Center of excellence, thanks to Dr. Clark's hard work, and this designation is important to families considering moving here. This program provides mentors, coaches and is one of only 15 in the nation and the logo will be used on all educational material.</p>	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Closed Session		
7 minute(s)	None	
Discussion	None	
Conclusions	None	

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None	N/A	N/A
Adjournment	8:28 a.m.	
Conclusions	Motion to adjourn: Phil Gaffney. Second: Kerry Bridges. Motion carries unanimously. (9-0)	
Next meeting: January 23, 2019	DACC Conference Room	All