

DACC Board Meeting Minutes						
22-Feb-23			7:30 a.m.		DACC	
Meeting called by	Chairman, Rick Evans					
Type of meeting	Board Meeting					
Facilitator	Chairman Rick Evans					
Note taker	Anita Patel					
Adjourned	8:30AM					
Board Attendance	Mark Wills	Y	Rick Evans	Y	Sanjeev Singhal	Y
	Jim Cox	Y	Jean Garniewicz	Y	Stan Shepherd	Y
	Mark Herbert	Y	Kerry Bridges	N	Christina Purkapile	Y
Staff/Guests	Robbie Bennett, Anita Patel, Chris Driver, Garrett Dragano, Dr. Steve Flynt, Dr. Tom Clark, Joe Hotchkiss, Stephanie Hill					
Meeting Agenda						
1 minute(s)						
Discussion	Rick Evans called the meeting to order. The agenda for the February 22, 2023 meeting was approved.					
Conclusions	Motion: Mark Wills. 2nd: Jean Garniewicz Motion carries unanimously. (8-0)					
Action Items			Person Responsible		Deadline	
N/A			N/A		N/A	
Minutes of Previous Meeting						
1 minute(s)	Chairman, Rick Evans					
Discussion	Chairman Rick Evans recommended the minutes for the January 25, 2023 Board Meeting be approved.					
Conclusions	Motion: Mark Wills. 2nd: Jean Garniewicz. Motion carries unanimously. (8-0)					
Action Items			Person Responsible		Deadline	
Financials						
3 minute(s)	Christina Purkapile					
Discussion	Christina Purkapile presented the December 2022 Financial report to the board sharing that there were \$15,978,406.27 in Total Net Assets & Liabilities. Registration fees for business development conferences, Chamber Banquet sponsorship, research activity constituted the main expenses outside of normal operations for this period. Bond fees received from Club Car, Grand Oaks and SAIL. A motion was made to approve the financials as presented.					
Conclusions	Motion: Jean Garniewicz Second: Mark Wills. Motion carries unanimously (8-0).					
Action Items			Person Responsible		Deadline	
None			N/A		N/A	

Chairman's Report			
5 minute(s)	Rick Evans		
Discussion	<p>Chairman Rick Evans shared that he, Robbie Bennett, Garrett Dragano attended Augusta Day at the Capital. He shared that the State is positive about the increased interest in the supplier base from the EV industry.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rick shared that he and Robbie Bennett attended a preliminary meeting with the County for the 23/24 budget.</li> <li>- Planning is under way for April showcase. The staff is to share the schedule with the Board who will come greet guests and provide information on Columbia County.</li> </ul>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
DACC Committee Reports			
2 minute(s)	Christina Purkapile		
Discussion	<p>Business Recruitment and Incentives Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Committee Chair, Christina Purkapile, shared that the committee discussed targeting industries for Columbia County, White Oak Business Park, wetland credits, committee goals and the priorities for Columbia County including retail development and cyber.</li> </ul>		
Conclusions			
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Economic Development Update			
8 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		
Discussion	<p>Robbie Bennett shared the following in the February 2023 Economic Development Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- White Oak - wetland credits should be applied soon so work can move forward, water pipes have been ordered, lift station will be ordered through the County.</li> <li>- Hotel feasibility study is underway and a report should be delivered by the end of March.</li> <li>- Grovetown is moving forward with their TAD work</li> <li>- Garrett Dragano is working with existing industry and has met with several since the year started</li> <li>- John Deere Parkway closure was approved by the County and John Deere is working on making their enclosed campus.</li> <li>- April Showcase planning is well underway and invitations have been sent out. Board members are invited to Thursday Red Carpet and Sunday Brunch.</li> <li>- Legislative Policy updates on bills being introduced that affect development authorities</li> <li>- Board Training requirements changing - 2 additional hours needed per board member annually</li> <li>- Activity remains strong with multiple projects requesting information</li> </ul>		
Conclusions	None		
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			
0 minute(s)	None		
Discussion			
Conclusions			
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Public Comments			
10 minute(s)	Dr. Steve Flynt, Dr. Tom Clark		
Discussion	<p>Dr. Flynt shared the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The groundbreaking for J.A, Discovery Center was well-attended. The Discovery Center is scheduled to open October 2023.</li> <li>-New Westmont Elementary construction is about to begin</li> <li>-The General Assembly is working on finalizing the education budget</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Clark shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The timeline for I-20 interchange and connector is scheduled for completion in 2025 for \$225 million.</li> <li>- The installation will grow by 1000 people in the next year.</li> <li>- Dr. Clark offered to come speak to DACC Masters guests as needed.</li> </ul>		
?,	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Calendar of Events			
1minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		
Discussion	<p>Robbie Bennett share the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- March 10, 2023 Property Committee, Existing Business Committee</li> <li>- March 22, 2023 DACC Board Meeting</li> </ul>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Closed Session			
30 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		

Discussion	Motion to enter Closed Session: Jean Garniewicz. 2nd: Christina Purkapile. Motion carries unanimously (8-0) Motion to exit Closed Session: Stan Shepherd. 2nd: Jim Cox. Motion carries unanimously (8-0) One legal matter was discussed in closed session. Action to be taken in open session.		
Conclusions	Motion to allow DACC Chairman to negotiate amended repayment term for all Destination Retail Incentive Program agreements. Motion: Jean Garniewicz. 2nd: Stan Shepherd. Motion carries unanimously (8-0).		
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
<b>Adjournment</b>			8:30
Conclusions	There was a motion to adjourn the February 22, 2023 Board Meeting at 8:25 am. Motion: Mark Willis Second: Stan Shepherd. Motion carries unanimously (8-0).		
Next meeting: March 22, 2023		DACC	All