



Region 6 Regional Council Meeting

Monday, July 20th, 2020

12:00pm – 2:00pm

Virtual Meeting

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MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT AND VOTING: Chair - William Beale, John Anzivino, Bruce Davis, Jackie Davis, Jan Eckert, Val Foulds, Steve Goodall, Stephanie Heinatz, Lisa Hull, Shannon Kennedy, Ann Lewis, Rob Quartel, Morgan Quicke, John Wells, Linda Worrell, Kimberly Young

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wally Beauchamp, Lou Belcher, Kim McClellan, Bryan Taliaferro, Evan Van Leeuwen

STAFF: GWRC – Jennifer Morgan | **Community Features** – Neal Barber

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Beale called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. It was noted that due to the nature of the Declaration of a State of Emergency Due to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pursuant to Code § 2.2-3708.2 this meeting was held by electronic communications, via the web platform GoToMeeting. The catastrophic nature of this declared emergency made it impractical and unsafe to assemble a quorum in a single location and the purpose of this meeting was to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operations of the public body.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Beale gave the floor to Ms. Morgan to inform the Council of how the electronic meeting was to proceed. Ms. Morgan called roll and stated a quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment was received.

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP CHANGES APPROVAL

Ms. Morgan summarized the Nominating Committee's Recommendation to appoint Mr. Rob Quartel to the Executive Committee and Ms. Jan Eckert and Ms. Linda Worrell to the Region 6 Council. Ms. Morgan noted that the Nominating Committee originally recommended Ms. Lisa serve as the interim Vice Chair until December 31, 2020 and Mr. Quartel to begin term as the Vice Chair January 1, 2021, however, due to Region 6's bylaws someone within the public sector could not serve as the Vice Chair. Being that Ms. Hull is a member of the public sector, she is unable to serve as the interim Vice Chair. Mr. Davis motioned to accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation of appointing Mr. Quartel to the Executive Committee and Ms. Eckert and Ms. Worrell to the Region 6 Council. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Beale introduced the consent agenda items, including the May 11th Meeting Minutes and a summary of Executive Committee actions taken. The Council elected to vote on all of the items in the consent agenda as a bloc. Ms. Foulds motioned to accept all of the items on the consent agenda and Mr. Wells seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATION DISCUSSION AND DETERMINATIONS

Ms. Morgan summarized the proposals and presented the staff concerns for Germanna Community College Engineering, Information Technology, Computer Science and Cyber - Tech Talent Pipeline Project; Launching a Coastal Resilience and Adaption Economy – Region 5 & 6 Statewide Proposal; George Mason – SBDC Statewide Application; and SCIPP – Cybersecurity Job Creation System.

Germanna Community College Engineering, Information Technology, Computer Science and Cyber - Tech Talent Pipeline Project

Mr. Beale questioned the curriculum development and the cost of developing the web portal. Mr. Quartel questioned the sustainability of the ongoing maintenance of the program. Mr. Goodall wanted assurances that there would be targeted diversity advertising for minority students. Ms. Amy Henecke, representing Germanna Community College, answered questions in regards to the Germanna Community College Engineering, Information Technology, Computer Science and Cyber - Tech Talent Pipeline Project ensuring that the curriculum would be self-sustaining after two year and that there would targeted outreach to minority students. Mr. Goodall motioned to approve the Germanna Community College Engineering, Information Technology, Computer Science and Cyber - Tech Talent Pipeline Project and Ms. Heinatz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. Davis and Ms. Young abstaining from the vote.

Launching a Coastal Resilience and Adaption Economy – Region 5 & 6 Statewide Proposal

Mr. Quartel questioned if Virginia Tech and CIT were involved with this project. Mr. Paul Robinson, representing the grant applicant, responded that both organizations would be engaged during the consortium building phase. Mr. Anzivino motioned to approve the Launching a Coastal Resilience and Adaption Economy – Region 5 & 6 Statewide Proposal and Mr. Quartel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. Wells and Ms. Kennedy abstaining from the vote.

George Mason – SBDC Statewide Application

Ms. Susan Baker, representing the George Mason – SBDC Statewide Application, summarized the project application. Ms. Hull motioned to approve the George Mason – SBDC Statewide Application and Mr. Goodall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Ms. Young abstaining from the vote.

SCIPP – Cybersecurity Job Creation System

Ms. Young questioned the cost of developing the program, how those certified would gain employment, and the inclusion of other academic institutions in the curriculum. Mr. Quartel questioned who would receive the funding and how state funds could be used to create market competition. Mr. Beale called for a motion to be made and no motion was received. Ms. Young, Ms. Davis, Ms. Hull, and Ms. Kennedy abstained from motioning.

APPROVAL OF MODIFIED REALLOCATION OF PROJECT FUNDS POLICY

Ms. Morgan summarized that this is a modification of a previously adopted policy by this Council. The update to the policy includes if an application is deferred by the Region 6 Council or deferred or denied by the State Board that the funds Region 6 set aside for that project revert back to the per capita allocation after 6 months. The policy still remains that the application, even if modified and returned within 6 months, must still be approved by the Region 6 Council. Ms. Kennedy motioned to approve the policy modification and Mr. Quartel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORT



Ms. Morgan summarized the items listed in the staff report, including GO Virginia Region 6 Budget Update, Approval of Reallocation of Capacity Building Funds to Per Capita Funds, Region 6 Financial Report, and Current Project Funding Spent/Remaining. The Council elected to vote on all of the items in the staff report as a bloc. Ms. Foulds motioned to accept all of the items on the consent agenda and Mr. Quartel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS IN PACKET

Ms. Morgan summarized the items listed as information items. Ms. Morgan noted that two projects, Pamunkey Net Business Plan and the Middle Peninsula Alliance Business Site Readiness Planning have closed and that all deliverables for each project were met.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting of the GO Virginia Region 6 Council is scheduled for October 19, 2020.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Mr. Quartel moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:55 p.m. and Ms. Foulds seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

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