

SOUTHEASTERN UTAH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
SEUALG Board Room
375 South Carbon Avenue, Price, UT 84501
February 25, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT Bruce Adams, virtual Tony Martines Gabriel Woytek, virtual Kent Wilson Mike Kourianos Mayor Emily Niehaus, virtual Danny VanWagoner Rita Vigor, virtual Taren Powell, virtual Elaine Gizler, virtual	STAFF Geri Gamber Lorraine Berryhill Jade Powell Barbara Fausett, virtual Michael Bryant Julie Rosier, virtual Allison Preston Tristan Garvin, virtual Valyn Peacock, virtual Barbara Fausett, virtual Dawna Houskeeper, virtual	GUESTS Clay Crozier, Senator Romney’s Office Carolyn Phippen, Senator Lee’s office Larry Ellertson, Congressman Curtis’s Office Scott Crook, Crook & Taylor Law
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Commissioner Kent Wilson opens SEUEDD meeting 12:29 p.m. Quorum was present.

1. **APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA**

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE AMENDED AGENDA (MIKE KOURIANOS/TONY MARTINES). VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVED. (Board gave thumbs up for yeas).

2. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JANUARY 28, 2021 MINUTES**

Board reviewed the January 28, 2020 minutes.

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE JANUARY 28, 2021 MINUTES (MIKE KOURIANOS/ BRUCE ADAMS). VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVED. (Board gave thumbs up for yeas).

3. **MOTION: RESOLUTION 2021-02-25-004 DEFEDERLIZATION OF SEUEDD’s RLFs-JADE**

Jade presented Resolution 2021-02-25-004 to Board. According to EDA this resolution must be approved by AOG Board.

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-02-25-004 (DANNY VAN WAGONER/MIKE KOURIANOS). VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVED. (Board gave thumbs up for yeas).

4. **UPDATE: COAL STRIKE TEAM/SILICON SLOPES EAST-JADE**

Jade told Board he is still working with Main Street Program with Price and Castle Dale setting up committees and establishing priority lists.

On March 3rd Silicon Slopes East will be having a virtual event through zoom. Jade told Board this information will be on SEUALG Facebook, on ETV News, KOAL and Polly Platform. Jade stated, “The Salt Lake City Chapter, our Chapter and Silicon East in Lehi were picked to pilot programs.” Jade gold Board Silicon Slopes East will eventually be involved in all four counties.

Michael Bryant stated, “We will be doing Podcasts interviewing individuals, companies or people in general who are passionate about Southeast Utah, their businesses, or some other recreational opportunities in all four counties.” These Podcasts will be done on a monthly basis.

Jade also told Board Coal Country Strike Team submitted a request for additional funds through the University of Utah Schmidt Future Foundation with a 2/1 match and was awarded \$251,185 additional dollars which will be used for the Co-working Space, scholarships for USU Eastern, Small Business Marketing Training, some housing and tourism projects.

5. **UPDATE: REGIONAL GROWTH PROGRAM -JADE**

Jade told Board still working on the RCAs in Carbon and Emery Counties and a conversation in Grand County for a RCA around the airport and area around Dead Horse Point. In standby in San Juan County until tourism director can be hired but was working on Annual Strategic Plan and doing an edit of this plan.

6. **UPDATE: ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEM-JADE**

Jade told Board working with UAC on Entrepreneurial Ecosystem and with Utah State Legislature but missed the appropriation requests. Jade will be going after other grants like the RCDI Grant. Jade will be reaching out to the counties to get approval to work in their counties. This grant will help to pay for programs with co-working spaces

Mayor Niehaus told Board the City of Moab as a new co-working space in the Moab Arts Recreation Center and Wabi Sobi was looking in doing a co-working space.

Mayor Niehaus brought up the discussion of business and child care. Mayor Niehaus stated, “Child care is one of the most critical barriers to economic development diversification and entrepreneurial exposure. Co-working spaces and childcare are both critical to economic development.

MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN AT 12:52 p.m. (DANNY VANWAGNER/TONY MARTINES). VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVED. (Board gave thumbs up for yeas).

Prepare by

Chairperson