

Central Florida Partnership
Board of Directors Meeting
11:45 a.m., to 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 20, 2014
Chamber of Commerce Building

Present: Loren J. Bender; Mark Brewer; Anthony J. Catanese; Tracy Duda Chapman; Karen L. Dee; Sean DeMartino; Charlie S. Dorr; Patricia J. Engfer; Aaron J. Gorovitz; Debbie Harvey; C.T. Hsu; James E. Jardon, II; Marva Brown Johnson; Jeffery Q. Jonasen; Wendy B. Libby; Stephen H. Mauldin; Troy L. McNichols; Michael D. Minton; John Moskos; J. Brian Paradis; Ron Pizzuti; Jason W. Searl; Tracey Stockwell; Jacob V. Stuart; Rasesh Thakkar; Ed Timberlake; Erin J. Wallace; and George W. Walton.

Guests in Attendance: Cathryn DeCecco; Clint Nessmith; Robert A. Radcliff; and Donald N. Upton.

Absent: Laura M. Boisvert; Joie Chitwood, III; Antonio T. Coley; Mary L. Demetree; Charles Y. Freeman; Andrew C. Gardiner; John C. Hitt; Leila Jammal-Nodarse; Tony Jenkins; Bob Johnston; Adrian Jones; Frank Kruppenbacher; C. Dean Kurtz; Yolanda Londoño; Frank W. Naylor, III; Jonathan M. Perry; Phil Rawlins; and Tony Stiffler.

Staff in Attendance: Scott Fagan; José A. Fajardo; Michael L. Ketchum; Amanda Muley; Ruth Z. Mustian; April Richardson; and Kristine Vorpapel.

Aaron J. Gorovitz, 2014 Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance; and introduction of guests. Mr. Gorovitz called for approval of the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2014. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to accept the Minutes as presented.

Loren J. Bender, Vice Chair of Finance for the Central Florida Partnership, gave a report on the meeting of the 2014 Finance Committee, held on Thursday, August 7, 2014; reporting that the Central Florida Partnership is in good shape going forward.

Jeffery Q. Jonasen, Chair of the 2014 Leadership Development Committee, explained the election process for the 2014 Leadership Development Committee and asked board members to vote for members to serve on the 2014 Leadership Development Committee. A date will be scheduled with those elected to serve on the 2014 Leadership Development Committee.

Mr. Gorovitz spoke briefly on the current homeless situation in the community and how everyone should get involved to help find solutions to solving chronic homelessness; followed by Jacob Stuart reporting on the Central Florida Regional Leadership Forum – Working Together to End Chronic Homelessness, held on Thursday, August 14, 2014, at the Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport. John Moskos and Sean DeMartino spoke briefly about the Forum.

Mr. Stuart spoke on the Community Trip to Houston as the next steps to finding solutions to solving chronic homelessness in the community. The Community Trip to Houston, includes many Central Florida leaders traveling to meet with leaders in Houston about their approach to providing permanent supportive housing to the chronically homeless.

Mr. Gorovitz called on board members Wendy Libby and Anthony Catanese to speak briefly on the upcoming Stetson Hatters vs. Florida Tech Panthers game on Saturday, September 6, 2014. Dr. Libby thanked those board members who accepted her invitation to join her in her VIP Suite.

Mr. Stuart spoke on the history on the Water Initiative which came about through the Central Florida Congress of Regional Leaders and myregion.org. He also shared the date of the Central Florida Regional Leadership Forum – Working Together to Advance a Regional Water Strategy, Friday, November 21, 2014; followed by Michael Minton speaking on the Water Initiative of Central Florida and sharing water usage facts.

Clint Nessmith, Principal of Resource Development Group reported on the status of the Resource Campaign which will conclude in December 2014.

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Steve Mauldin gave an update on the work of the Transportation Task Force. Mr. Mauldin serves as Chair and Sean DeMartino serves as Vice Chair. Mr. Mauldin asked those board members in attendance to let him know if they had an interest or know someone who may be a good candidate to serve on the Transportation Task Force.

José Fajardo gave an update on the "Expert Committee" on Sources of Capital, the Entrepreneurs Academy, Young Entrepreneurs Academy and the Trip to Cuba; followed by announcing that Bright House is hosting a Business Regional Business Award in March 2015; with \$1,000,000 in prizes to be awarded. Nominations can be made on the website of Orlando, Inc.

Mark Brewer gave an update on myregion.org; followed by Donald Upton guiding board members through the myregion.org Data & Research Warehouse: Catalog & Summary of Contents and reporting on the first assignment of myregion.org. Mr. Brewer thanked Past Chairs of myregion.org Ed Timberlake and George Walton for their earlier work.

Ruth Mustian spoke briefly about the class session of Leadership Orlando (Class 87) held the day before at the Expressway Authority with the day ending at the Winter Park SunRail station for the class to ride on SunRail; followed by talking about Leadership Orlando (Class 88) and thanking those for support of Leadership Orlando.

Michael Ketchum gave an update on BusinessForce endorsed candidates and spoke on the importance of next Tuesday's election as well as the November election.

Mr. Gorovitz announced the following elected board members to the 2014 Leadership Development Committee: Mark Brewer (2014), Sesh Thakkar (2015) and Patricia Engfer (2016). Laura Boisvert, Chair-Elect and Stephen H. Mauldin, First Vice Chair will both elect one representative to serve on the 2014 Leadership Development Committee.

The next meeting of the Central Florida Partnership Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2014, from 11:45 a.m., to 1:30 p.m., at the Chamber of Commerce Building in Downtown Orlando.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Aaron J. Gorovitz, Chair, at 1:25 p.m.

Attest:



April Richardson