

Central Florida Partnership
Board of Directors Meeting
12:00 to 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 21, 2009
Orlando Regional Chamber of Commerce

Present: Loren J. Bender (3); Laura M. Boisvert (5); Des Cummings, Jr. (5); Karen L. Dee (4); Mary L. Demetree (3); Patricia J. Engfer (6); Richard T. Florell (7); John Hillenmeyer (5); C.T. Hsu (7); Leila Jammal-Nodarse (3); Tony Jenkins (1); Jeffery Q. Jonasen (7); Frederick W. Leonhardt (4); Yolanda Londoño (2), Shannon K. McAleavey (4); John Moskos (3); Kelley P. Mossburg (4); Steven B. Rivers (4); Captain Harry M. Robinson (7); Judy D. Spencer (4); Tony Stiffler (2), Jacob V. Stuart (7); Rasesh Thakkar (3); and Ed Timberlake (6).

Absent: Mark Brewer (4); Anthony J. Catanese (4); Tracy Duda Chapman (3); Orlando L. Evora (5); Aaron J. Gorovitz (2); Carolyn Gosselin (5); John C. Hitt (3); Janet Horvath-Pino (4); James E. Jardon, II (4); Thomas S. Kornegay (1); C. Dean Kurtz (0); Alex Martins (5); Bob McAdam (2); F. David McKinney (3); J. Stanley Payne (0); Thomas D. Pellarin (3); and Paul Shaffer (0).

Staff in Attendance: Leslie Hielema, Michael Ketchum, Shelley Lauten, Kathy Panter, Kristine Vorpapel Shields and Carol Walker.

Patricia J. Engfer, 2009 Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Des Cummings shared an invocation. She then called for approval of the 2009 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2009. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to accept the Minutes as presented.*

Des Cummings, Ph.D., shared that Florida Hospital will be hosting a "Joint Leadership Meeting" of the *Central Florida Partnership, Metro Orlando Economic Development Commission, Orlando/Orange County Convention & Visitors Bureau, myregion.org, BusinessForce, Orlando Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Leadership Orlando* on Tuesday, November 3, 2009, 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in the Ginsburg Tower Atrium, Florida Hospital. The Keynote Speaker for this event will be Dan Buettner, celebrated author of *The Blue Zones: Lessons for Living Longer From the People Who've Lived the Longest*.

Jacob V. Stuart reported that over 50 Community Leaders were in attendance at the *Baker Hostetler Central Florida Partnership "Trip to Washington, D.C.,"* held October 6 – 7, 2009. A discussion followed. Mr. Stuart reported that there were over 400 people in attendance at the *Future of Florida Forum*, Presented by the Florida Chamber of Commerce, on October 12 – 14, 2009. He then reviewed the six "drivers" our state is facing: Talent & Education, Innovation & Economic Development, Infrastructure & Growth Leadership, Business Climate & Competitiveness, Civic & Government Systems, and Quality of Life. A discussion followed. The *Central Florida Partnership* will host a "Coffee & Conversation" to discuss these drivers in further detail on Wednesday, December 2, 2009, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m., at the Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport.

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Mr. Stuart announced the formation of a *Central Florida Young Professional Advisory Board*, that will consist of 50 – 75 young people, 32 years of age or younger (on December 31, 2009), who will serve a 2-year term on this Advisory Board. The *Central Florida Partnership* has also begun the formation of the *Central Florida Roundtable for Community Based Organizations*. Mark Brewer, President & CEO, Community Foundation of Central Florida, Inc., will Chair this Roundtable. Their "Organizational Meeting" is scheduled for Thursday, December 10, 2009.

Leslie Hielema, President, *Orlando Regional Chamber of Commerce*, reported that she has successfully recruited Sharon Gilstrap to serve as the Vice President of Business Development for the Chamber, leading the "Sales Team."

Jacob Stuart then gave a detailed update on High-Speed Rail for Florida. A discussion followed.

Shelley Lauten, President, *myregion.org*, gave an update on The Central Florida-Tampa Bay Super Region proposal outline, *Connecting for Global Competitiveness*. Jonathan Barnett, Professor of Urban Design at the University of Pennsylvania, will be doing an intense study at the "connection" between transportation, improvements and economic prosperity across the 13-counties in Florida from "coast to coast."

Fred Leonhardt urged members of the Board to attend a meeting of the *Central Florida Legislative Delegation*, being held from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, at the Fairwinds Alumni Center at the University of Central Florida.

The next meeting of the *Central Florida Partnership* Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2009, 12:00 o'clock noon to 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Patricia J. Engfer, 2009 Chair, at 1:30 p.m.

Attest:



Carol A. Walker