Minutes

West Michigan Prosperity Alliance
Administrative Committee
November 4, 2015

WMSRDC

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by John Weiss.

Present: John Weiss - GVMC
Dave Bee – West Michigan Regional Planning Commission
Erin Kuhn – WMSRDC
Steve Bulthuis – MACC
Paul Griffith – Michigan Works West Central
Jacob Maas – Michigan Works
Kevin Stotts – Talent 2025
Rick Chapla – The Right Place
Dave Riley – The Right Place
Brad Comment – The Right Place
Dan Rinsema-Sybenga – Muskegon CC
Doug Wood – Orchard View Public Schools
Brenda Nyhof – Allegan Adult and Alternative Ed
Dan Peterson – 8 CAP
Jim Sandy – Mecosta County Development Corp.
Jim Fisher – Padnos
Kathy MacLean – Ludington / Scottville Chamber of Commerce
Bonnie Gettys – Barry County Foundation
Bob Chapla – Community Foundation for Muskegon County
Ed Gardner – Muskegon Area First

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION – To Approve the Corrected Minutes of the September RPI Steering Committee. MOVE – Jim Fisher. SUPPORT – Rinsema-Sybenga. MOTION CARRIED

4. New Members

MOTION – To Approve the Addition of Kathy Maclean, Brenda Nyhof and Kiesha Guy. MOVE – Maas. SUPPORT – Griffith. MOTION CARRIED.
5. **Review of RPI Application**
   - Rick Chapla reviewed the Minneapolis regional dashboard and discussed doing one for Region 4 which the Right Place would control. He asked for $50,000 in funding.

   It was decided $50,000 of the grant request would be dedicated to this effort.

   - Erin Kuhn reviewed a request for $10,000 from MAR to create a statewide prosperity plan. Support from the other regions has been mixed with some opting out entirely. Questions arose regarding accountability and implementation of the plan if it were to be funded.

   It was decided the Region 4 would not dedicate funding for a statewide plan.

   - Kevin Stotts & Jacob Maas presented on a request for $10,000 for the cost of data for the Talent Assessment Supply and Demand analysis.

   It was decided $10,000 of the grant request would be dedicated to funding this data cost.

6. **Application Review**

   John Weiss reviewed the draft grant budget and application. Adjustments were included for two previously agreed upon items.

   Discussion ensued regarding how much of the grant should be dedicated to funding projects and how much should be spent on hiring a consultant to review and update the prosperity plan.

   **MOTION** – To Approve the Proposed Grant Budget with Adjustments for $50,000 for a Regional Dashboard and $10,000 for Data Costs for the Talent Assessment Analysis. **MOVE** – Fisher. **SUPPORT** – Chapla. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. **Adjourn – 4:30 p.m.**