**MINUTES**

Meeting of the Board of Directors

October 7, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance was held at 4:32 P.M. on Monday, October 7, 2019, in the Karen Binder Library, 6th Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair St., Kingston, NY 12401.

The following Board Members were present:

 Sarah Haley

Marc Rider

Lynn Archer

Burton Gulnick Jr.

Amanda LaValle

The following Board Member were absent with notice:

 Ward Todd

 Brian Woltman

Chief Financial Officer:

Christopher J. Rioux, CPA, Deputy Commissioner of Finance (Absent)

Ulster County Office of Economic Development Staff:

 Lisa Berger

Andrew Zink

Additional Attendees:

 Geddy Sveikauskas Ulster Publishing

Timothy Weideman Director of Ulster County Innovation

Jen Clark Ulster County Attorney’s Office

The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Burton Gulnick Jr. at 4:32 P.M.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Nominations for Chair**

**Motion**: Marc Rider, seconded by Lynn Archer, moved to nominate Sarah Haley for Chair of the UCEDA Board.

**Vote**: The motion was adopted.

**Nominations for Vice-Chair**

**Motion:** Marc Rider, seconded by Burton Gulnick Jr., moved to nominate Lynn Archer as Vice-Chair of the UCEDA Board.

**Vote:** The motion was adopted.

**Appointment of President and CEO**

Sarah Haley appointed Lisa Berger, Director of Economic Development, as President and CEO of the UCEDA Board of Directors.

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**Motion:** Lynn Archer, seconded by Burton Gulnick Jr., moved to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2019 UCEDA meeting.

**Vote:** The motion was adopted.

**FINANCIALS**

**Motion:** Burton Gulnick Jr., seconded by Sarah Haley, moved to approve the financials for the period ending August 31, 2019.

**Vote:** The motion was adopted.

**NEW BUISNESS**

**Shadowlands Contract Amendment**

**Motion:** Marc Rider, seconded by Amanda LaValle, moved to accept an amendment to the Shadowlands Contract which extended the contract date from August 31, 2019 to September 30, 2019.

**Vote:** The motion was adopted.

**GAMEX, LLC Membership Change**

**Motion:** Lynn Archer, seconded by Burton Gulnick Jr., moved to table the discussion with a request of GAMEX for their financials.

**Vote:** The motion was adopted.

**IRS 990 & NYS CHAR 500**

**Motion:** Marc Rider, seconded by Burton Gulnick Jr., moved to approve the IRS 990 and NYS CHAR 500 forms in one motion

**Vote:** The motion was adopted with four in favor and Lynn Archer abstaining.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**GAMEX LLC**

Marc Rider requests the Board return to the discussion about GAMEX, LLC. He states that the letter

received from GAMEX, LLC was acknowledged by Suzanne Holt, but wants to clarify what the role

of the Board is on this subject. Jen Clark states that the Board needs to acknowledge and accept

the change of ownership and that is purpose of the letter coming before the Board.

**Ulster 2040**

Tim Weideman was recognized by the Board to speak on the County Executive’s newly formed

Ulster 2040 Working Group. He explained that the purpose of the group is to evaluate the various

economic successes and shortfalls in Ulster County and figure out a way to improve the county

economy. Tim states that the Ulster 2040 Working Group will meet monthly and is composed of

thirteen individuals from various backgrounds in Ulster County.

**By-Laws Amendment**

Marc Rider asked the Board about the possibility of allowing Board Members to skype or call in. Lisa

Berger stated that this made the meetings more accessible to Board members if they cannot attend in

person. Marc suggests looking into this issue further to ensure the Board can enact this sort of change and

still be in compliance with state and local laws. Jen Clark stated that she will check into it and work with

Lisa on bringing a proposal before the Board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nobody asked for the privilege of the floor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion**: Marc Rider, seconded by Burton Gulnick Jr., moved to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote**: The motion was adopted.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 PM.

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Ward Todd, Secretary