GFDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday February 7, 2019 8:00 – 10:00 AM Great Falls College MSU, Heritage Hall

*Times are approximate and agenda items may be taken out of order. Any Director with a potential conflict of interest on the agenda should state the conflict at the start of the meeting.*

**Board Members:** Rebecca Ingham, Len Watkins, Ron Nelson, Travis Neil, Ted Lewis, Dwight Holman, Nate Wiesenburger, Mark Cappis, Tim Peterson, Mark Macek, Collette Hanson, Joe Briggs, Dianne Meinhart, Tammy Lacey

**Staff:** Brett Doney, Jolene Schalper, Tyler Menzel, Teresa Schreiner, Lillian Sunwall, Jill Kuntz, Shannon Clancy, Barnett Sporkin-Morrison

**Visitors:** Wendy Gillies, Kennan Schneider, Jane Webber, Lew Card

8:00 1. Consent Agenda – Ron Nelson

1) Accept excused absences: Shane Etzweiler, Heidi Hockett, Glenn Bliss, Casey Schreiner, Brian Hoven, Steve King, Forrest Ehlinger, Tony Aretz, Susan Wolf **ACTION TAKEN:** Motion to accept excused absences. Seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

2) Approve minutes of 1/3/19 Board meeting. **ACTION TAKEN:** Motion to approve Minutes of 1/3/19 Board meeting. Seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

8:05 2. Mission Moment – Barnett Sporkin-Morrison

Alternative Protein Event

8:10 3. Expo Park Events Center and Improvements – Rebecca Engum

Presentation about proposed new Events Center and improvements to ExpoPark.

Board discussion about next steps in the effort. Discussion about forming a task force to further support this effort. **ACTION TAKEN:** Motion to form task force in further support of this effort. Seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

8:40 4. Downtown Block Development Visioning – Brett Doney

Brief on new downtown revitalization effort.

8:45 5. The Fire Within – Jolene Schalper

Awards nominations and preparations for annual female entrepreneurship event.

8:50 6. Secretary Election – Ron Nelson

Elect Tim Peterson as Board Secretary. **ACTION TAKEN:** Seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

8:55 7. New Web Sites – Tyler Menzel & Brett Doney

Status of new GFDA web sites.

9:05 8. Report Highlights

1) Executive – Ron Nelson

Approved 3/7/19
2) Investment – Ted Lewis & Teresa Schreiner 406-431-3136

3) Finance – Errol Rice & Brett Doney

4) Lending – Travis Neal, Len Watkins & Jill Kuntz

5) Great Falls AgriTech Park – Lillian Sunwall & Brett Doney

6) Brownfield – Tim Peterson & Lillian Sunwall

7) Business Development – Jolene Schalper and team

9:30  9. Board Sharing
       Updates from Board members on issues affecting GFDA’s mission and organization.

9:40  10. CEO Report – Brett Doney
       Key Metrics

       Opportunity for public comment.