

GFDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 1, 2022
MSU

8:00 – 9:30 AM

Heritage Hall, Great Falls College

Zoom Option

Meeting ID: 940 1482 9623

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info below)*

GFDA Staff Present: Jake Clark, Jolene Schalper, Jenn Gallmeier, Brett Doney, Jill Kohles

GFDA Board Members Present: Denise Schnider, Dani Grebe, Nate Weisenberger, Pat Woodall, Dwight Holman, Casey Schreiner, Josh DeVos, Randy Gilbertson, Renee Pera, Zach Mendenhall, Shannon Hoiland, Jen Fritz, Tom Jacobson, Reed Bassett, Colleen Hill, Jeaneen Campbell, Mark Cappis, Tyler Muzzana, Len Watkins, Dan Rearden, Rebecca Engum, Glenn Bliss, Forrest Ehlinger, Stephanie Erdmann, John Faulkner, Neal DuBois, Shane Etzweiler, Sharon Virgin, Lew Card, Mike Mills

Guests: Dan Heustis, Mike Parcell, Misty Danielson

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.

8:00 1. Introductions – Mark Macek

8:05 2. Consent Agenda – Mark Macek

1) Accept excused absences: Mark Macek, Ron Nelson, Joe Briggs

ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve excused absences for 12/1/2022 board meeting. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

2) Approve minutes of 11/11/22 Board meeting.

ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve minutes from 11/11/22 board meeting. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carried.

8:10 3. Reports – Mark Macek

Do any Directors have questions about reports that were emailed out?

8:15 4. Director Appointment Confirmation – Mark Cappis

Confirm Chair's appointment of Jim Dea of ERA Advantage to Board to fill vacancy of Seth Haak..

ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve appointing Jim Dea of ERA in place of Seth Haak. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

8:20 5. Great Falls AgriTech Park – Brett Doney

Status of land acquisition and Park development. Take action as desired by Board.

8:25 6. Financial – Brett Doney and Forrest Ehlinger

Review October financial reports.

Approve/disapprove FY 2023 Budget Revisions as recommended by Executive Committee.

ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve FY23 budget revisions as recommended by Executive Committee. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

- 8:35 7. Investment – Ted Lewis and Jenn Gallmeier
Discuss status of investment in GFDA’s mission. Review stuck prospects.
- 8:40 8. Lending – Rebecca Engum and Jill Kohles
Review October Loan Portfolio report.
- 8:50 9. USDA RLF Board Resolution – Brett Doney
Approve/disapprove board resolution to authorize applying for USDA grant to seek additional meat processing loan capital grant funds.
ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve board resolution to authorize applying for USDA grant to seek additional meat processing loan capital grant funds. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.
- 8:55 10. Strategic Planning – Brett Doney
Review and discuss GFDA preliminary priority actions and measures of success for new strategic plan. Approve/disapprove preliminary priorities and measures of success.
- 9:10 11. Pipeline Update – Jolene Schalper
- 9:15 12. CEO Issues – Brett Doney
- 9:20 13. Board Sharing – Mark Macek
Updates from Board members on issues affecting GFDA’s mission and organization.
- 9:25 14. Public Comment – Mark Macek
Opportunity for public comment.

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