

GFDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS & COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 1, 2024 8:00 – 9:30 AM

Springhill Suites, Great Falls

Zoom Option

Meeting ID: 940 1482 9623

Passcode: 216683

(additional login and phone call-in info below)

GFDA Staff Present:

Anna Flies, Brett Doney, Jake Clark, Jenn Gallmeier, Jolene Schalper, Madysan Foltz, Nicki Dallison, Shannon Clancy, Tracy Heggem, Tyler Menzales

GFDA Board Members Present:

Andreas Geranios, Ashley Clark, Brett Harris, Brittany Riley, Dale Nelson, Dani Grebe, Dave Smith, Dwayne Howard, Ed Brown, Glenn Bliss, Heather Hoyer, Jayson Olthoff, Jesse Waldenberg, Jim Dea, Joe Briggs, John Faulkner, Kyle Herda, Len Watkins, Mark Cappis, Mike Mills, Morgan Tweet, Nate Weisenburger, Pat Woodall, Randy Gilbertson, Rebecca Engum, Dr. Renee Perra, Shane Etwiler, Shannon Hoiland, Sherrie Arey, Dr. Stephanie Erdmann, Toby Malsam, Tom Heisler, Zach Mendenhall

GFDA Council Members Present:

Amber Plant, Brad Talcott, Brandon Rosten, Casey Schreiner, Jana Cooper, Jim Wingerter, Jody Johnson, Keith Cron, Mark Wallingford, Mike Hallahan

Guests:

Jane Weber (City Commission), Joe McKenney (City Commission), Kevin Wells (eXp Ralty), Mark Macek, Rob Worden, Ted Lewis

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 Cappis

8:05 2. Consent Agenda – Mark Cappis

- a) Accept excused absences: Dan Rearden, Denise Schnider, Forrest Ehlinger, Johnna Lightbourne, Raymond Porter, Rob Haney, Sharon Virgin, Tyler Muzzana

ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve excused absences for 8/1/24 meeting. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

- b) Approve minutes of 6/6/24 Board meeting.

ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve minutes of 6/6/24 Board & Council meeting. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

8:08 3. Council Appointments – Mark Cappis

Approve/disapprove appointing to the GFDA Council:

- Josh DeVos, Dick Anderson Construction
- Jennifer Fritz, The Wendt Agency
- Janna Yuhás, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana

ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve appointment of Josh DeVos, Jennifer Fritz and Janna Yuhás to the GFDA Council. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.

- 8:11 4. Officer Election – Rebecca Engum
Elect officers for FY2025. Slate from Nominations Committee:
Chair Mark Cappis, Cappis Consulting and Tax, LLC
Vice Chair Johnna Lightbourne, Cogswell Insurance Agency
Treasurer Forrest Ehlinger, Benefis Health System
Secretary Andreas Geranios, Geranios Enterprise, Inc.
ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve election of GFDA Officers for FY2025 as recommended by the Nominations Committee. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.
- 8:14 5. Executive Committee Appointments – Rebecca Engum
Appoint Executive Committee members for FY2025. Slate from Nominations Committee:
Joe Briggs, Cascade County Commission
Rebecca Engum, Great Falls Montana Tourism
Toby Malsam, Culligan Water System
Dr. Renee Reijo Pera, McLaughlin Research Institute
Len Watkins, Gusto Distributing
Nate Weisenburger, AE2S
ACTION TAKEN: Motion to appoint Executive Committee members for FY2025 as recommended by the Nominations Committee. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.
- 8:17 6. Loan Committee Appointments – Rebecca Engum
Appoint Loan Committee members for FY2025. Slate from Nominations Committee:
Chair -- Rebecca Engum, Great Falls Montana Tourism
Vice Chair -- Erin Townsend, Bravera Bank
Teri Anderson, First Interstate Bank
Scott Blumfield, Catalyst Commercial
Martin Byrnes, Cushing Terrell
Jim Dea, ERA Advantage Realty Group
Dwight Holman, Holman Aviation
Sheila Rice, Retired NeighborWorks Great Falls
Chad Simonson, Independence Bank
Tasha Stoll, Guy Tabacco Construction
ACTION TAKEN: Motion to appoint Loan Committee members for FY2025 as recommended by the Nominations Committee. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.
- 8:20 7. FY2025 Board Dashboard Discussion – Brett Doney
Break into working groups to provide input on strategic action milestones to achieve in FY2025.
- 9:00 8. Pipeline Update – Jolene Schalper
- 9:05 9. CEO Report – Brett Doney
- 9:10 10. Board Sharing – Mark Cappis
Updates from Board members on issues affecting GFDA’s mission and organization.
- 9:15 11. Public Comment – Mark Cappis
Opportunity for public comment.

Zoom Login

Topic: GFDA Board Meeting

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94014829623?pwd=aXJFRVlZOXJld2N1dU9uN1gxL1JpQT09>

Meeting ID: 940 1482 9623

Passcode: 216683

One tap mobile

+12532158782,,94014829623#,,,,*216683# US (Tacoma)

+13462487799,,94014829623#,,,,*216683# US (Houston)

Dial by your location

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 940 1482 9623

Passcode: 216683

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/adzGLXysfN>