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FEBRUARY 13, 2025 MINUTES

PRESENT: David Lawrence, Scott Athey, Buddy Nicholas, Drew Ewbank, Don Roberts, Keaton Francis, Lucas Dillingham, Tom Evans, Andie Cremer, Dwight Hughes, Kyle Williams, Jerald Gilbert, Jon Blankenship

ABSENT: Whitney Roberts, Rob Stallings, Matt Parrish, David Mason

STAFF: Marcie Mack, Debbie Moore, Meredith Wright

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by David Lawrence, Vice Chair of the Board, at 10:02 a.m. A quorum was confirmed present at the meeting.

MINUTES: Minutes from the previous board meeting held December 12, 2024 were presented for approval. Motion to approve minutes as presented by Tom Evans with second by Drew Ewbank passed unanimously.

BUDGET CATEGORIES: Marcie Mack informed the board the current approved budget did not have line items for Enid Women in Business and Enid Young Professionals. Scott and Marcie informed the board they would be presenting the FY26 budget at the March meeting that would include these new categories and adjustments. Motion by Don Roberts with second by Drew Ewbank to add these line items passed unanimously.

FINANCIALS: The financial reports through January 31, 2025 were reviewed with the board by Scott Athey and presented for approval. Motion to approve the financial reports through January 31, 2025 as presented by Drew Ewbank, second by Buddy Nicholas, passed unanimously.

NOTE: Kyle Williams, Chairman of the Board, arrived and led the meeting at this point. Dwight Hughes, board member, arrived at this time also.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Kyle Williams appointed David Lawrence and Buddy Nicholas to this committee and Kyle as Chairman of the Board, will chair the committee and report back to the board in March with nominees to fill vacancies.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

- AirCo Corp Grand Opening and Community Event will be held February 26th at 2pm. RSVP required.
- IPG grant is complete
- CDBG Audit had no findings
- Northwest Water Action Team (NWAT) is evaluating plan moving forward and future direction
- Enid Women in Business will host Col. Little on February 19th. Information is in board packets to share. Registration required.



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- Enid Young Professionals hosting Shannon Rich, Oklahoma Hall of Fame, on February 26th.
 Registration required. Information is in the board packet.
- Volunteer forms available for RAM
- Sample economic impact flyers are in packet
- Debbie and Meredith attended the OSU Career Fair on Feb. 11th and returned with some good contacts for internships and resumes for possible interviews for several of our member companies.
- Marcie is meeting with all Autry CTSOs to share about ERDA's job board and the Talent Network
- The WorkinEnid award committee will review 5 applicants for possible awards
- Feb 28th the ACES division from OK Department of Commerce will be in Enid to tour Vance, Woodring Airport and ASIC.
- Enid Day at the Capital is March 4th
- LGE golf and pickleball tournament, benefiting the Salvation Army, is open for team registration

RECESS: Motion to recess to convene into Executive Session by David Lawrence with second by Buddy Nicholas, passed unanimously.

RECONVENE: Motion to reconvene into Executive Session by Buddy Nicholas with second by Tom Evans, passed unanimously.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT: Motion by Dwight Hughes with second by Don Roberts to approve \$15,000 from the Economic Development Project line item for St. Mary's House B renovation, passed unanimously.

USDA RBDG: Motion by Drew Ewbank with second by Dwight Hughes to approve a resolution in support of a USDA RBDG grant application, and management of any awarded funds, to assist Marten's Machine Shop, LLC with the purchase and installation of a CNC press brake. The motion passed unanimously.

SMALL BUSINESS RENOVATION GRANT: Motion by Don Roberts to approve a small business renovation grant for \$5,000 to The Feed Barn, LLC, for an additional overhead bin to support the growth of their business, seconded by Drew Ewbank, passed unanimously.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to go before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
Debbie Moore, Staff	
Kyle Williams, Chair	David Lawrence, Vice-Chair



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