

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
TUOLUMNE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

LOCATION

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99 N. Washington Street, Sonora CA 95370

Friday, April 8, 2016

9:30 A.M.

1. Call Meeting to Order:

Chairman John Gray brought the regular meeting of the Tuolumne County Economic Development Authority (TCEDA) to order at 9:33 a.m.

2. Roll Call:

The following Board Members were present: Chairman John Gray, Vice Chair Bill Canning, Member Dave Thoeny, Member George Segarini and Member Barry Hillman. Member Jim Gianelli and Member Evan Royce were absent.

Also present were Economic Development Authority CEO Larry Cope and Secretary Malorie Sperry.

Guests present: Karl Dambacher

3. Safety Introduction- Tyke Johnson of Sandvik

Tyke Johnson gave a brief presentation on safety at Sandvik.

4. Flag Salute: Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

5. Oral Communication: None

6. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of the March 11, 2016 TCEDA Governing Board's regular meeting minutes.

John Gray asked for any public comments and there were none.

Motion: Barry Hillman moved to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2016 TCEDA Board Meeting. Bill Canning seconded the motion. The Board approved by a 5-0-0 vote.

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business:

a. CSEDD Update (Discussion)

Larry informed the group that the final paperwork for CSEDD has been accepted and the annual EDA Grant was awarded for this year. The CEDS have been updated and will need final approval at the next CSEDD Board Meeting in April.

Larry also informed the group that the Butte Fire Grant is still in the works and is just waiting on approval from the Calaveras County CAO before being submitted to the EDA.

9. Director's Report:

Larry Cope passed around some new marketing material that he will be taking with him to the various trade shows he attends.

The Soulsbyville Elementary School students and staff are still enjoying the 3D printer that the TCEDA donated to them. Since the demand to use the 3D printer is so high, the TCEDA offered to donate half of the amount for another one if the school could raise the other half. They succeeded and will be getting the 3D printer next week.

Larry also informed the group that the hours for Beth, the part time InnovationLab Assistant, have expired and her last day will be next week. Beat Inc. will continue to manage the InnovationLab and will pick up the duties that Beth was completing.

10. Board Report(s):

- George Segarini informed the group that the last Town Hall Meeting was very successful. Also, he is currently trying to work with the State on some issues they have with the décor in his restaurant in Columbia State Park.
- Bill Canning expressed his excitement that the students at Soulsbyville are enjoying the 3D printers.

- Barry Hillman thanked the board for their help with grant writing efforts for HealthLitNow. He updated the group on some of the grants he has been awarded.
- Dave Thoeny shared with the group that he was able to be a part of the Rotary Club's Celebrity Dinner. He gave thanks to John Gray for being a celebrity server. They were able to raise money for the Columbia College Fire Academy.
- John Gray passed around a photo of a group of people he met with at Evergreen Lodge, including the Director of HUD, Director of the California Business Development Program, representatives with NDRC and others. They are working on building a good relationship and putting a plan into place on how to spend the NDRC grant.

11. Adjourn

Chairman John Gray adjourned the meeting at 10:48 am and a tour of Sandvik was provided to those interested in joining.

Mahree Spung

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