**SEVEDS Board Agenda**

**December 21, 2017  3:00 – 5:00 pm at BDCC**

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SeVEDS Welcome & Gathering – Bob                                      5 minutes

Attended: Meg, Bob, Drew, Ashley, Mary Ann, Randy, Konstantin, Luke, Bill, Avery, Gary Fox, Kathrine Partington

(Staff: LS, AG, JS, SL)

Business

1. Approve Minutes from SeVEDS November meeting
   1. MS, BC Approved
2. ACCD Ex-Officio – AG
   1. Any kind of expectations from them? Attending our annual meeting? Two meetings a year?
   2. AG will formalize a request of participation with follow up last month
3. RFP Approval – LS
   1. KK, AS, Approved
4. Sign on to BDCC statement on Docket 8880 - AG
   1. RC, MS, (Luke: important that this doesn’t end here, further discussion on actions, talk with executive committee on future agenda item) Approved
5. Southern Vermont YP Retreat report: What about a board structure for YPSC?
   1. Approve Logo and Tagline process
      1. Logo part of the bigger system (linked to BDCC/SeVEDS logo)
      2. AS, MS, Approved
   2. Request on Ambassador Program
   3. Request on Membership program
      1. Corporate sponsorships?
   4. Memo with request for SeVEDS board member attendance at certain events

Updates

1. New BF/Rock Development Director - AG
2. Brattleboro Town Meeting request - AG
   1. Tues, Jan 2nd, board members who can attend are asked to be there
3. Southern Vermont Economy Summit – LS
   1. Be sure to get date to governor
4. RED update – Bill
   1. Sharing minutes between boards
5. TER/Fast Tracks/Career Counselor update – AG

Substantive discussion - 70 minutes (request from last board meeting)

* Housing in the next CEDS 20 minutes
  + What data do we need, who needs to be gathered, what should be the process, working with WRC
  + What kind of housing are we talking about?
  + One on one interviews of people who decided to work here but not live here?
  + Homebuilders association for data? Realtors associations
  + WWHT🡪 focus on spectrum of housing, get opinion from Snow on how we should attack this
  + Zone report that states recommendation
  + VHFA
  + VHCB: traditional affordable, workforce housing, ultra low income
  + Local banks
  + Big landlord guys (Brunell developer), Jason Cooper in Bratt, Bob Lyons… ask them what the trends are, Stuart Properties (BF), Steve Moore Properties (BF)
* Follow Up with Data from SU’s and other requested board info from the Repopulating Southern Vermont discussion 30 minutes
  + Hear from Diverse Workforce Workgroup – January
    - Lyle Holiday to come and speak about ESL
  + Hear about ESL population in schools>> English Language Learners (ELL)
  + Hear about other areas to learn from on growing population
  + Why is flat bad?
  + Puerto Rico update by Adam
  + Housing thing worries Randy and Avery etc

**Important Upcoming dates:**

SeVEDS Board Meeting - January 18th 2018

Southern Vermont Economic Development Summit – May 30th