**SeVEDS Board Meeting Minutes**

**May 16, 2019**

Present: Meg Streeter, Gary Fox, (Staff - Adam Grinold, Jen Stromsten)

Regrets: Bill Colvin, Stephen Dotson, Avery Schwenk

No Quorum, several attachments

**New SeVEDS Members**

Meg reviewed discussion from Executive Committee (Bill, Adam, Meg) - particularly recruitment & nomination of new board members

**Staff will send emails to people whose terms are expiring**

**Minutes**

Won’t approve minutes until next month

**Other Discussions**

* Reviewing ACCD Budget Information
* Anticipating announcement of Culture Made project ending
* SeVEDS funding via state budget / WCEDP

**Strategic Priorities**

Just focusing on the 6 high level items (see attachment)

* + **Act regionally**
  + **Create an entrepreneurial environment**
  + **Increase the size and quality of the workforce**
  + **Increase the 25–44 age cohort** 
    - *from 23 percent to 28 percent of the region’s total population by 2023*
  + **Improve wage parity with the surrounding labor shed**
  + **Expand regional development capacity**

**Budget**

Flows from those priorities, but no big pivots this year. Building the budget around supporting workforce effort. Going after some resources that may supplement SeVEDS budget (federal and philanthropic) which would liberate funds to seed something else.

**Summit**

Upwards of 200 registered so far, reviewed some of the sessions and Minicozzi content as applies to town issues, working hard to get businesses and town officials to come and learn.