SeVEDS Minutes June 23rd, 2022

In attendance: Adam Grinold, Peter Carvell, Meg Streeter, Wendy Harrison, Gary Fox, Samba Diallo, Drew Richards, Sue Westa, Keith Marks, Bobbi Kilburn, Laura Sibilia, Jeralyn Wilson

Wendy called the meeting to order at 3:02.

A recommended slate of officers for FY 23 was coordinated by staff and presented: Chair Wendy Harrison, Vice Chair Meg Streeter, Treasurer Bill Colvin, Secretary Gary Fox.

Peter moved to nominate the slate and close nominations seconded by Drew. Vote: unanimous

Bobbi presented the proposed budget for FY 2023. Wendy asked about professional development and or field trips for the board. Previous discussion had indicated approximately 5K might be available. Specific discussion about SEVermont Leadership program scholarships. Meg noted the line item for staff petitioning and her appreciation for the staff effort on municipal funding.

Peter moved to approve the budget as presented, seconded by Samba. Vote unanimous.

Additional discussion about SeVT leadership program and potential field trips to manufacturing facilities employing new Americans, perhaps Against the Grain or Vermont Wide Plank Flooring.

The board discussed previous SeVEDS Leadership Awards winners and potential award winners. The board centered on four nominees and decided they wanted to award for each year that was missed - 2020, 2021, 2022. SB, CL, BF and CR+PE. The board will make a final determination in July.

Laura and Bobbi reviewed latest updates to WCEDP program <https://brattleborodevelopment.com/windham-co-economic-development-program/#1656424398879-5064f694-0a07>

SeVEDS needs to appoint and fill a vacancy to the WCEDP Board. Gary nominated Wendy to represent seVEDs on the WCEDP Board. Seconded by Meg. Vote unanimous.

Discussion about the SOVermont Summit-discussion about it being good to be in person and suggestion to introduce each of the Emerging Leaders next time.

Co-op presentation by Jeralyn Wilson. Adam noted that BDCC had considered applying for USDA program for staff person to exclusively focus on creating co-operative models.Wendy would like board to further investigate this model.