

Governance Committee Minutes of June 11, 2025 Meeting

Present: Sue Corney – Chair of Committee

Paul Wersten - Member

Absent: Dr. Kris Duffy – Member

Mike McLarty - Member

Staff: Jim Siplon – President, EDC

Tricia Hartle - Economic Development Coordinator

On June 11, 2025 the Governance Committee of the Economic Development Corporation was held in person at EDC's office at 11 South Street in Glens Falls. The meeting was livestreamed on YouTube: @WarrenCountyEDC_livestream. The following items were discussed.

Welcome & Call to Order: Committee Chair Sue Corney welcomed committee members and staff and called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

II. Old/New Business:

- **a.** Minutes: April 9, 2025 meeting motion to approve made by Paul Wersten; seconded by Sue Corney. No discussion; unanimous; motion carries.
- b. Board Member Discussion: President Siplon briefed the Committee on the Executive Committee Meeting held June 10, 2025 where the Committee removed Dr. Kris Duffy from Committees effective close of business June 10, 2025. He indicated that Kathy Muncil would serve as Interim Chair, as Vice Chair of the EDC Board of Directors, until such time as a new Chair is appointed. Discussion of Governance Committee members to be placed on agenda at a later date.

President Siplon informed the Committee of the discussion of the incoming SUNY Adirondack President Anastasia Urtz and her role on the EDC Board. Pursuant the Bylaws, the President of the college will serve and/or her designee if she chooses. The Committee recommended a Resolution to be passed by the full board effectively appointing President Urtz to the EDC Board of Directors, acknowledging the appointment pursuant to the bylaws.

After the full board met potential new board member Kelli Derway at the May 21, 2025 BOD meeting, the Governance Committee is recommending approval of Ms. Derway to Seat #13 of the EDC BOD. Motion made by Paul Wersten; seconded by Sue Corney. No. Discussion; unanimous; motion carries.

Further discussion regarding potential new board members ensued. President Siplon shared recommendations by the Executive Committee and input from EDC members, providing a recommended list. Committee Chair Corney, Committee Member Paul Wersten and President Siplon will reach out to prospective Board members based on recommendations. Tricia Hartle to update the ongoing roster.

- c. Review of 2026 Membership Policy: Review of the membership policy revealed no changes to last years' policy changes and will serve as same for the 2026 EDC Membership Campaign.
- d. New Business: none
- **III. Executive Session:** Not applicable

IV. Adjournment:

With no further business to come before the Governance Committee, a motion was made by Paul Wersten to adjourn; seconded by Sue Corney; motion carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting 9:24 a.m.