

## **Governance Committee Minutes of February 13, 2024 Meeting**

*Present:* Sue Corney – Chair of Committee

Dr. Kris Duffy – Member

Via Telephone: Mike McLarty – Member

Staff: Jim Siplon – President

Tricia Hartle – Economic Development Coordinator

On February 13, 2024 the Governance Committee of the Economic Development Corporation was held in person at EDC's office at 11 South Street in Glens Falls. 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 12:08 p.m.

## II. Old/New Business:

- a. Minutes: Draft of January 10, 2024 meeting minutes were before the committee for approval. Motion made to approve by Dr. Duffy; seconded by Chair Corney. No discussion; unanimous; motion carries.
- b. <u>Board Composition</u>: Recommendation to appoint Ashley Walden, CEO and President of the NYS Olympic Regional Development Authority to the remaining term of retiring CEO of ORDA, Michael Pratt. Resolution will go before full Board of Directors Meeting on February 14, 2024.
- c. <u>Press Releases</u>: President Siplon shared topics of Press Releases suggested by Dr. Duffy sharing information on happenings with the EDC. The first few will be the announcements of new board members, Melanie Weber and Ashely Walden of ORDA to the EDC Board of Directors and an overview of the EDC Warren County 2024 Membership Campaign.
- d. 2024 Membership Campaign: Tricia Hartle updated the committee on the 2024 EDC Membership Campaign. A status report was provided indicating current enrollment. Ms Hartle shared that follow up outreach had been made to select businesses via email as a

reminder of membership. Further follow-up will occur in person over next couple of weeks. Outreach to Board Members for assistance in the near future.

- e. Property Acquisition Policy: Discussion regarding the Property Acquisition Policy and the "requirement" of the ABO for such. President Siplon indicated the policy had been revised incorporating the suggestion of adding due diligence. The A&F Committee will review at meeting on February 13, 2024. The Governance Committee recommended approving the policy as is and revisiting edits from the full board.
- **III. Adjournment:** With no further business to come before the Governance Committee, a motion was made by Dr. Duffy seconded by Chair Corney and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 p.m.